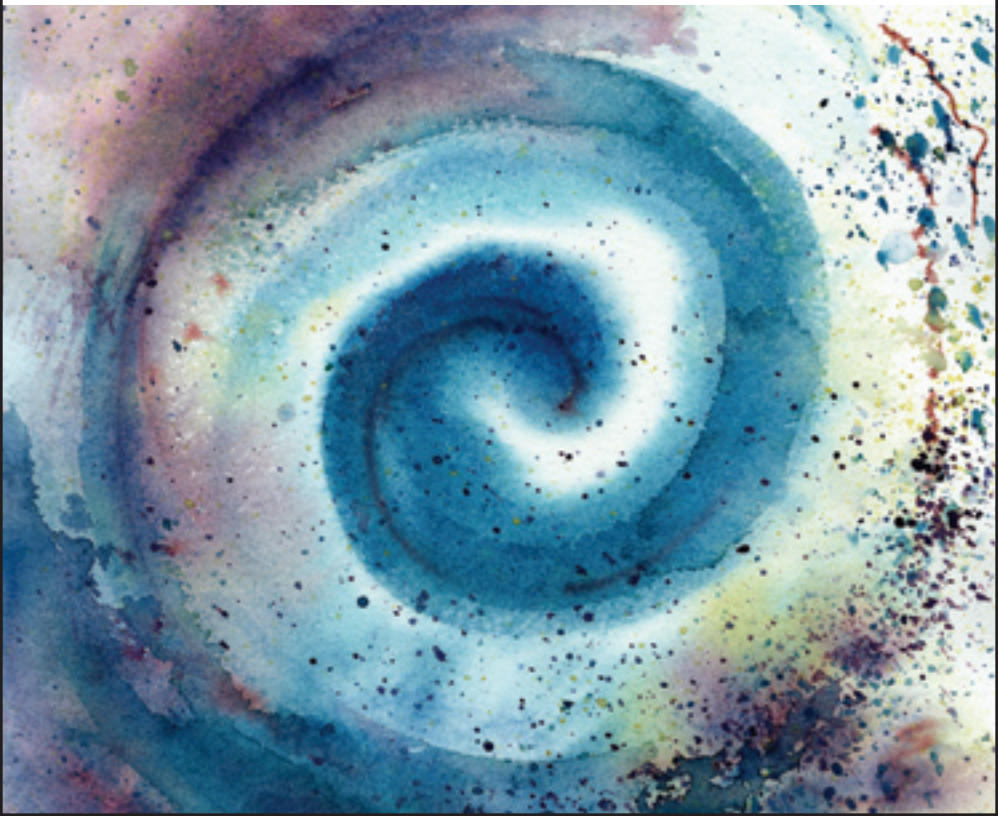


Rob Mathes
EVERYWHERE for Max Scotti



Max Scotti, a beautiful, seven-year old boy in my wife Tammy's first grade class at the Greenwich Country Day School, passed away on Tuesday, April 21st, 2009. The cause of death was brain cancer that eventually spread to the spine. He was an extraordinary boy; a bright light to those who had the privilege to know him. I will never forget how after chemo treatments, all he wanted to do was get back to Mrs. Mathes' classroom so he could act in their play, "Mastering Math". He played Client #3.

A song is a paltry thing and in some ways inappropriate in an instance like this. How do you write about suffering if you are not suffering yourself? In my own defense, I will say that in no way did I feel remotely worthy of what the Scottis were going through. In fact, I did not feel close enough to them to write anything at all.

"Everywhere," in the end, wrote itself. Trinity Church asked me to write something for Christmas Eve. Max had just been diagnosed with inoperable cancer and I was in no mood to write a song. I was, frankly, sad and angry, and wrote down the lines, "Where are the shepherds, their sheep, where is Mary?????" At 3 am in the morning, I got my answer.

I recorded the song because Margery and Gavin, Max's mom and dad, responded so graciously to it. Mike Stemkoski, a man who travels 2000 miles every year to see our holiday concert, helped pay for it. I can't thank him enough.

In this song, Max's name is at the beginning of almost every line. It is my honor to be a part of his story. God bless you Max, and may love follow you everywhere.
~Rob Mathes

Additional Note: I have included, for ipod users, the song and the reprise together as I recorded it and then separately. I also included an instrumental mix and one that is just Acoustic Guitar and Strings. "If You Only Knew" is a song about my grandfather's death and though it could be labeled as sentimental in the extreme, every word is true. I sang it at Max's funeral and so many people asked about it that it is included here as track #2. Track #3 is an acoustic demo of a song I wrote for Emma, my eldest daughter when she was seven, Max's age when he died. Also encoded into the disc is a beautiful video of "Everywhere" directed by Sandrine Lee, a true labor of love.



Rob Mathes **EVERYWHERE** (Song for Max)

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| 1. EVERYWHERE ~ Full Version | 6.34 |
| 2. IF YOU ONLY KNEW | 4.28 |
| 3. PRECIOUS ONE | 4.09 |
| 4. EVERYWHERE ~ Song Only | 4.43 |
| 5. EVERYWHERE ~ Reprise | 1.54 |
| 6. EVERYWHERE ~ Acoustic and Strings Mix | 6.34 |
| 7. EVERYWHERE ~ Instrumental Track | 6.34 |

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Strings arranged and conducted by Rob Mathes • Rhythm tracks recorded at Acme Recording Studios, Mamaroneck, NY by Peter Denenberg • Guitars, Keyboards, and Vocals recorded at Peaceful Waters Music, Pound Ridge, NY by Wayne Warnecke • Strings recorded at Abbey Road Studios, London, UK by Jonathan Allen

Mixed by Peter Cobbin at Abbey Road***, and assisted by Andrew Kitchen • "If You Only Knew" mixed by Jan Folkson • Mastered by Scott Hull at Masterdisk • Video filmed, written & directed by Sandrine Lee. Produced by Chris Sachs & Jennifer Armstrong.

Acoustic Guitars, Piano and Vocals: Rob Mathes • Electric Guitar: Shane Fontayne • Bass: Zev Katz • Drums and Percussion: Joe Bonadio • Background Vocals: Tabitha Fair, Ian Cron, Emma Mathes, Sarah Mathes, and Lily Mathes • Concertmaster: Thomas Bowes • Violins: Warren Zielinski, Jackie Shave, Patrick Kiernan, Boguslaw Kostecki, Jonathon Rees, Emlyn Singleton, Rita Manning, Tom Pigott-Smith • Violas: Peter Lale, Bruce White, Vicci Wardman • Cello: Anthony Pleeth, John Heley • Strings Contracted by Isobel Griffiths

Music Preparation: Mike and Lori Casteel

Cover painting: Margery Scotti

***Thanks to Michael Stemkoski and to Colette Barber, the Queen of Abbey Road

Place this CD in your Windows PC or Apple Computer to access the video of "Everywhere."
Quicktime is required and can be downloaded for free.

Please Visit www.makingheadway.org and make a donation in honor of Max Scotti.