Music Everywhere

Easier Books for Younger Readers:

E Ajm  Maya Ajmera  Music Everywhere!
Excellent photographs illustrate this picture book of children making music around the globe, which includes musical projects that you can do at home.

E Cab  Jane Cabrera  Row, Row, Row Your Boat
A kitten and puppy go for a row, and added verses to the song introduce the other animals they meet on their dreamy river trip, until they row themselves home to bed.

E Cze  Jef Czekaj  Yes, Yes, Yaul!: A Hip & Hop Book
A fast rapping rabbit and slow rapping turtle – best friends – surprise a gloomy, prickly porcupine with a surprise birthday party. It's no surprise that Yaul the Porcupine hates surprises, but he is surprised himself when he does find something that he likes after all!

E Emb  Rebecca Emberley  The Ant and the Grasshopper
In this twist on the old fable, the ant discovers that the grasshopper’s energetic music make her work go faster and feel easier.

E Him  John Himmelman  Noisy Bird Sing-along
Chirp, twitter and rat-a-tat-tat through this book of birds, as you identify the different illustrations of our feathered friends, and the sounds the belong to them.

E Lie  Brian Lies  Bats in the Band
After hibernating all winter, Lies' bats don't know if they are the most hungry for food or music. Music wins out in this romp through different musical genres.

E Pro  Orel Protopopescu  Thelonious Mouse
Thelonious, a young mouse, puts his own safety and that of his siblings in jeopardy because he can't help taunting the cat in scat. To the surprise of everyone, Thelonious and the cat come to musical terms...

E Shi  Carol Diggory Shield  Baby's Got the Blues
This tale of a baby's woes reads like an old-time blues riff. What does the baby have to complain about? Well, if you were damp, hungry and unable to fend for yourself, wouldn't you cry the blues, too?

E Sie  Judy Sierra  E-I-E-I-O: How Old MacDonald Got His Farm
In a mash-up of “Old MacDonald” and “The Little Red Hen”, MacDonald transforms his lawn, which he's tired of mowing, into a garden co-op that benefits the neighborhood, but not without many trials and some complaints by the neighbors along the way!

E Wu  Mike Wu  Ellie in Concert
When Lucy the Giraffe cannot sleep because of all the noise the other animals are making, Ellie the Elephant organizes everyone into an orchestra to perform a lullaby!
Books & Series for Older Kids:

J Fic American Kellen Hertz Tenney
Tenney is a modern American Girl who is trying to break into the music business in Nashville.

J Fic Kelly Erin Etrada Kelly Blackbird Fly
Apple is a fan of the Beatles, and she decides to change her life and situation at school by learning to play the guitar.

J Fic Levine Gail Carson Levine Dave at Night
Orphaned Dave finds his place in the music and culture-filled world of the Harlem Renaissance.

J Fic Rodda Emily Rodda The Key to Rondo
Leo is entrusted with a magic music box, with specific rules to follow regarding it. His cousin Mimi ignores the rules and releases an evil blue fairy who lures the cousins into Rondo, the kingdom painted on the sides of the music box. Once inside, they find that getting home isn’t as easy as they hoped!

J Fic Ryan Pam Muñoz Ryan Echo
A mystical harmonica found by a boy named Otto in the Black Forest of Germany becomes intertwined years later, before and during World War II, with the lives and struggles of three other children. The magic of the harmonica aids all three of them in achieving their quests to keep their families whole.

J Fic Stilton Geronimo Stilton Singing Sensation
Geronimo Stilton enters Mouse Island Idol, a singing contest which requires lots of work to get ready for, and assists his friend, Hercule Poirat, in uncovering who is responsible for pirated CDs being sold on Mouse Island.

J 782.42 Kat Alan Katz Going, Going, Gone, and Other Silly Dilly Sports Songs
New words set to familiar tunes are guaranteed to make children (and their grown-ups) laugh out loud while singing and sharing these lyrics, and looking at Catrow’s hilarious drawings.

J 780 Gas Jennifer Gasoi Blue and Red Make Purple
This book, with a CD of irresistible songs, explores the different colors of Gasoi’s jazz-driven music, melding together many styles including bluegrass, blues, Cajun, and klezmer.