# Little Stream

# © 1985 Douglas Wood on the Tape Earth Song

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Verse 1.

There's a little stream that flows, down a wood I've come to know

I greet her in the morning like friend

I come to listen to her song as she swiftly rolls along

laughing as she slips around the bend

There the kildeer calls his name and the Jaybird does the same

The heron stands his vigil on the sands

And I stand my watch as well, where the rose and dogwood dwell

to feel their benediction on the land

#### Chorus

Little Stream, I can still hear you calling Though my footsteps may take me far away Through the seasons you're rising and falling young and old each new day, you move along and you stay and I thank you for passing my way

#### Verse 2.

When Orion rules the night and the geese have taken flight And winter holds me in his icy hand
I feel I'm lost within that wood, where I once so gladly stood
I frightened and its hard to understand
The night is cold, the night is long, and I wish for summer's song
Doubting that the sun will rise again
Then beneath the ice and snow, I hear a gentle voice I know
You're not alone, come sit with me my friend

### Chorus

Verse 3.

There's a river deep and wide and we hurry to her side

My stream is swept away without goodbye

She hears the calling of the sea and her answer sets her free

She's part of all that flows and so am I.

Chorus

Little Stream I can still hear you calling though my footsteps may take me far away through the seasons I'm rising and falling Young and old each new day, I move along but I stay, and I'm thankful I'm passing this way

# We're all Connected

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## Chorus

We're all connected you and me from the snow on the mountain top to the fish in the bottom of the Deep Blue sea. Cause we all got the same kind of

Reciprocating, Recirculating, water-based chemistry

### Verse 1.

We're connected to the air, which came fresh from the plants who struggle to keep up with the smoke and dust that we send them.

Verse 2.

We're connected to the water that comes from the sky and falls on the land that grows all the plants that bring us the all food that feeds us

Verse 3.

Connected, connected, we trade places with the Earth Take a deep breath tell me just how much that's worth Has been a blessing, might end up a curse better clean it up now 'cause its gettin' worse

Musical Break

### **Bridge**

The toxins in our environment can't tell 'em where to go or fence 'em in Because we're connected we take them in We make ourselves the victims.

### Chorus

Verse 4.

You can climb to the top of the corporate tree act and believe that you're totally free but body mind and spirit we all seem to be.....Connected

# SITTIN' CROSSLEGGED

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### Verse 1.

I'm sittin' crosslegged on a riverbank Just listenin' while the river sings her song I'm wishin' I'd never have to leave this place wish you all could come along

#### Chorus 1.

'Cause the sound of the river will soothe your soul The sparklin' water will gain control And it pulls you like a magnet 'til you jump right in I tell you it's a battle that you can't win

#### Verse2.

I'm sittin' crosslegged on a riverbank Just watchin' as the day goes rollin' by Forgettin' the hassles that I left in town Just sittin' here and tryin' to get down

### Chorus 2.

And the sound of the river gets you from behind And the sparklin' water will ease your mind And it makes you wanna' leave your troubles far behind I tell ya' brother you can really unwind, when you're

### Verse3.

I'm sittin' crosslegged on a riverbank Just baskin' in the life that's all around The wonder of all this beauty fills my heart It's easy here to know that you're a part

### Chorus 3.

And I talk to the spirits of the birds and bees the river daughter's dancin' the the gentle breeze We're dancers in a circle that never ends Have you ever been there, my friend?

# Ogallala ©1992 Ann Bailey-Rowland

There's something deep within the Ground That moves but never makes a sound Deep inside your aquifer is groundwater Ground water, Ground water Deep inside your aquifer is groundwater

A buried treasure fresh and clean It's hidden where it's never seen Deep inside your aquifer is groundwater Groundwater, Groundwater Deep inside your aquifer is groundwater

# Excuse me, Sir! That's my Aquifer

© Ann Bailey -Roland

### Verse 1

Well, I spoke with my neighbor on Saturday
He was changing the oil in his car
He told me that he does it every three thousand miles
And four times a year he goes that far
So I figured if he uses four quarts every time
nd he does it four times every year?
In just ten years he'll use forty gallons
And I thought I'd better make myself clear

Well, Fred, I said, would you tell me what you do with that oil all dirty and brown
He said, Yes, I just take it out behind the garage
And I dump it and it sinks into the ground
And I know I maybe shouldn't and if it were a lot I wouldn't
But its really only just a little bit
I said Fred, I'm about to tell you something
and I think you'd better listen to it

### Chorus

Well, Fred, underneath this ground there's an aquifer It's an underground sponge if you please And every time you draw some water for a bath or drink or shower, you give that sponge a little squeeze and anything around that's been soaking in the ground moves a little bit closer to your well And then before you know it, it might not even show it but it comes out of your faucet then ya' yell

### Chorus

Well, do you remember the oil tanker Valdez that soiled Alaska's beautiful shores
Well in Missouri we dump about a quarter that much oil out on the ground every year or more
And that oil's been sinking down into the ground for all of this very long time
and I can only think, that every time I take a drink,
I'm sippin' on a little bit of slime
Chorus

# Watershed

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#### Verse 1.

What is a water shed, Do you know It's a place on the map where a river flows It might be small like just your creek Or a giant place where big rivers meet

### Chorus

It's the land that belongs to the river It's the river that belongs to the land She needs all the help we can give her Let's lend a helping hand

### Verse 2.

At the top the stream runs clear and straight Down low it's wide and curvy like a muddy snake The water leaves but the river stays Things keep changin' but it's always our

### Refrain

Watershed, Watershed Doesn't matter what is said Everything does down in a watershed.

## Instrumental verse

Verse 3.

From the high up ridge where the water divides To the mouth of the river where it meets the tide It's where we all live, where the river grows It's not a secret, but did you know

### Chorus

It's the land that belongs to the river It's the river that belongs to the land She needs all the help we can give her Let's lend a helping hand

It's our Watershed, Know your Watershed, Love your Watershed, Sweet home Watershed,

# Stream Team

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### Chorus

Have you heard about the Stream Team They got some rivers lookin' real clean They learned that takin' care of the land Gives the water a helpin' hand

### Verse 1

They go down to their local stream or creek
They clean it up and they plant trees
All kinds of people from every where
Are stepping forward to show they care
They get some training help 'em know
How to test and where to go
They check the rocks to see who lives there
Does this river need Intensive care?

### Chorus

So Come on down with the Stream Team We'll be keepin' the water clean.
We'll get together in the Stream Team We'll have a river for a friend.

### Verse 2

Kids like to go there from their school 'Cause on the water its always cool They write stories 'bout how it used to be When the river was wild and free They hit the library to find out What local history is all about They learn to study and love the land Give back to her when they can

### Chorus

So come on down with the stream team
With your help we'll make a clean sweep
We'll work together in the Stream Team
We'll have a river for a friend
We'll work together in the Stream Team
We'll have a river for a friend

# HEAL THE WATER

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### Verse 1.

She is the spirit in the song of the rain She's the movement in the dance of the spring And tho' this living dance is never through The spirit grows weary, she is calling you

### Chorus

To heal the water and give her your love Heal the water there's still time enough To give her back her sparkling colors blue And give her the purity that she once gave you

### Bridge

For she has given and given and given 'til she just can't give no more And she has sacrificed her precious life and she will sacrifice for us no more We must heal the water as she has healed you, Heal the water it's the least you can do For all the life she's given you, imagine her beautiful, and make it come true

### Verse 2.

There is a reason for coming together, like the clouds of a summer rain There is a reason for coming together, To shower our love and make her clean again.

# Chorus

Heal the water and give her your love, Heal the water there's still time enough To give her back her sparkling colors blue and Give her the purity she once gave you For all the life she's given you, imagine her beautiful and make it come true Imagine her beautiful and make it come true Heal the water, Heal the water

# Dance up a Storm

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We need the rain now that's why we say

Chorus

We're gonna dance up a storm Dance up a storm Dance up a storm, yah You and me, Yeah. You and me

Verse 2.

That old high pressure has us hot and dry
All of the rain clouds keep passin' us by
What we really need here is some wet ocean air
And which ocean it comes from we really don"t care

Chorus Repeat first Verse Chorus

# **The Storm Drain Song**

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### Verse 1

The storm drain's connected to the next rain connected to Everything that falls upon the street, add the parking lots and lawns It all gets washed on down and, man, it's not so neat But there's this new idea to spread the word around Kids are painting signs near the street, so everybody sees That people care what goes down the drain, because Verse 2

The storm drain's connected to your local creek or river And from there the water moves deep underground Then the pumps bring it up and we hope there's no bad stuff From where the water's been movin' around So, before you take your next drink, stop and just think Of all the problems we can solve right at the start Let's watch what goes down there, Let's show we really care. And take this little message to heart

#### Refrain

The sign says, Dump no waste! this drains to a stream This storm drain is just pipe
Let's keep the water clean
We know how much clean water means
To all the critters in the web of life

### Break

There's antifreeze and dirt and leaves and pesticides and poop,

Motor oil and rubber dust and lead in muddy soup, Fertilizers and detergents, plastic pieces of all kinds It's brewin' up our next drink and we out of our minds.

### Refrain II

'Cause if we dump it we will drink it
There ain't no place to hide
We have a direct connection
We're three quarters water
And you know we really oughta' care
What goes down our storm drain collection.

## **Finale**

Storm drain stenciling I'm hopin' it will be the in thing Folks will get what's happening They'll chip in and do their part To stop pollution right at the start

# Water

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Verse1.

Oh, There's water that ripples, Water that's calm Water in the coconut hangin' from the Palm Tidal waves and hurricanes and whirlpools Hot spring water, Water cold and cool

### Chorus

And it's

Water, Water, the world's got a whole lot of water Water. Water Water all over the World

### Verse2.

There's water above us, water below Clouds full of rain and ice and snow Aquifers below us and artesian springs Bubblin' up to fill your cup and make you want to sing about

### Chorus

Verse3.

There's water for fishes, Water for trees Gnats, and bats and Grizzly Bears and bumble bees And what about the farmer planting little seeds Every living thing upon the planet needs a little

### Chorus

Break (spoken) © by Professor Verne Rockcastle
The water you're about to drink, deserves a second thought I think
For Avagadro oceans and those who follow are each involved in every swallow
The water in you is between and betwixt and having traversed is thoroughly mixed
so someone quenching a future thirst could esily drink what you drank first
The water you're about to taste no doubt contains a bit of the waste
from prehistoric beast and bird, a notion you may find absurd
The fountain spraying in the park no doubt spews bits from Joan of Arc
or Adam and Eve and all their kin, you'd be surprised where your drink has been
Just think the water you cannot retain will one day hence return as rain
or be beheld as the purest dew, though long ago it passed through you

### Verse 4.

Superior and Huron and Ontario, Michigan and Erie caught up in the flow Atlantic and Pacific deep and blue and 60% of both me and you is just Chorus

Verse 5.

There's plenty of water in the deep blue sea but that's not the kind good for you and me There's precious little water for us to drink, that's why it's high time everybody stopped, To think about-

Chorus