

## SOUNDS WITH THE YOUNG

By Kaja Weeks

*(Upton Street, NW DC circa 2001)*

The music school sits like a lady on a hill,  
with a red-tile roof for a hat and  
light stucco dress,  
Spanish revival style, *por favor*.  
Carved limestone surrounds her entry.  
Splayed stairs, up this way or that,  
invite the affair of the day.  
Singing four-year olds peal inside,  
festive as nothing else you could imagine.

Today she has chosen *Respighi* and  
Mara, curved-back like a cat,

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