



A Bailar! Let's Dance

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Pinata Books. Hardcover. Book Condition: New. Christina Ann Rodriguez (illustrator). Hardcover. 32 pages. Dimensions: 11.2in. x 8.8in. x 0.4in. A bailar! There's music in the park today--lets dance! Marita and her mother are finishing their Saturday chores and anticipating Papis salsa concert in the park that night, so Mami makes the broom her dance partner to show her daughter how to dance to the music. Listen to the claves, the bongos, and the cowbells. Listen to the maracas, the timbales, and the giro, they will tell you how to move your shoulders, your hips, your feet. They dance faster and faster, so fast that they fall down on the floor laughing. That afternoon, they put on their best dresses and dancing shoes, and old Don Jose says they look like dos lindas flores. He follows them slowly, his cane tapping out a salsa beat on the sidewalk. The music floats in and out of the barrios alleys, calling listeners to move, move, move. Soon Marita and her mother are leading a parade of neighbors and friends dancing and singing their way to the concert. And at the park, Papi plays notes on his trombone that are a secret between him and...



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