

Family F.Y.I.

Pocket Full of Music

It's hard to find children's music that doesn't drive you to distraction, but the new CD by Bay Area artist and educator Andy Zamenes is a rare exception. *Pockets* is a collection of old-standbys such as "Happy and You Know It", plus kid-pleasing originals written by Zamenes, who is also a music teacher at local preschools.

A graduate of California State University, San Francisco, Zamenes has been performing in grown-up bands for years. When he began playing at local farmer's markets, he says kids were particularly drawn

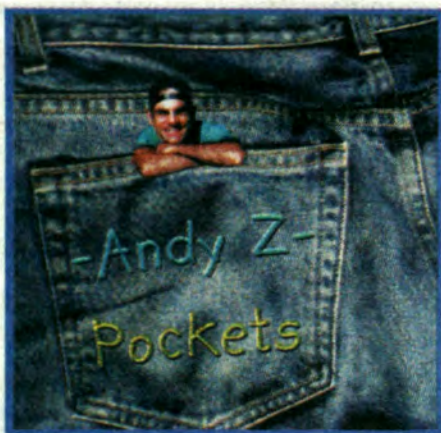
to his music so he started incorporating more children's songs into his sets. "I have always believed that children have an inherent connection to music that can only be

weakened by lack of exposure," he says.

On *Pockets*, Zamenes performs nearly all the voices, gobbles, snorts, and other wacky noises that kids love. The mix of old and new tunes, plus plenty of novelty sounds is certain to make the album a hit with kids and parents. Find it at The Ark in San Francisco, Talbot's Toyland in

San Mateo and Milo's Toy Chest and Bookstore in San Carlos.

— Caroline Knorr



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