

We're celebrating the 1950s

# 1950s SONGS of the SILVER SCREEN

A 90-minute film history presentation by John LeGear (click live links in blue to sample selections)

Opening tune: **Teenager in Love** by **Dion and the Belmonts** (1959)

1. [I'll Know](#) (1955) from **Guys and Dolls** with Jean Simmons and Marlon Brando (Frank Loesser music/Damon Runyon characters)
2. "Where's the magic?" from **The Majestic** (set in 1951) starring Jim Carrey, Laurie Holden, and Martin Landau
3. **It Doesn't Cost a Dime to Dream** from **The Lemon Drop Kid** (1951) starring Bob Hope and Marilyn Maxwell
4. [Ella Fitzgerald serenades An American in Paris](#) (1951), directed by Vincente Minnelli, starring Gene Kelly and Leslie Caron
5. **The Woman he was Singin' about in the Rain** (1952) starring 19-year-old Debbie Reynolds, Gene Kelly and Donald O'Connor
6. **Secret Love** by Doris Day from **Calamity Jane** (1953), thought to be Day's favorite movie of those in which she appeared
7. [Roman Holiday](#) (1953) starring Audrey Hepburn and Gregory Peck, serenaded by Michael Buble's **You Don't Know Me** (2003)
8. **Diamonds Are a Girl's Best Friend** by Marilyn Monroe from **Gentlemen Prefer Blondes** (1953)
9. **Ray** (movie montage) starring Jamie Foxx as **Ray Charles** (set in the 1950s and 60s), co-starring Regina King and Kerry Washington
10. **Dancing in the Dark** from **The Bandwagon** (1953) starring Fred Astaire and Cyd Charisse
11. [Barn Dance](#) from **Seven Brides for Seven Brothers** (1954) starring Jane Powell and the brothers, along with Howard Keel
12. **People Will Say We're In Love** from **Oklahoma** (1955) starring Gordon MacRae and Shirley Jones (making her film debut)
13. [Bluefoot](#) (1955) from **Daddy Long Legs** starring Fred Astaire & Leslie Caron
14. **The King and I** (1956) starring Yul Brynner and Deborah Kerr
15. **When I Fall in Love** by Nat King Cole (1956) from the one full year **The Nat King Cole Show** was on the air (1956-57 on NBC)
16. **Got a Lot O' Livin'** and **Teddy Bear** from Elvis's second film **Loving You** (1957) co-starring Lizabeth Scott and Dolores Hart
17. **I'm in Love** from **South Pacific** (1958) starring Mitzi Gaynor
18. **Don't Worry Darling** (set in late 1950s) starring Florence Pugh, Harry Styles, Chris Pine, and Olivia Wilde, who also directed (2022)
19. **Pleasantville** (set in late 1950s) starring Toby Maguire & Reese Witherspoon in a Gary Ross film; music by Randy Newman (1998)
20. **Pink Shoe Laces** by The Chordettes (1959) dance challenge compilation based on a season 2 episode of "**The Marvelous Mrs. Maisel**"

A film history presentation by John LeGear from TimComm.com in suburban Chicago



## Remembering "movie music" of the 1950s

"1950s Songs of the Silver Screen" is a special edition of our "movie music" film history series that was first cobbled together for public libraries celebrating the founding of their institution during the decade at the center of the "Golden Age of Movie Musicals." It naturally focuses on award-winning films and outstanding performances from the 1950s. But we've expanded the concept to include later films that paid homage to the 1950s in a variety of different ways.

If you've seen any of John LeGear's film history presentations since he began making them in 2017, you'll probably agree that his shows are lively, captivating, and almost certain to remind you of some of the happiest days of your life. We think you'll find this one positively uplifting. Hope to see you there!

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