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An in-person 85-minute musical showcase by John LeGear from TimComm.com

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

- 1. You Wonderful You/Get Happy from the film Summer Stock (1950) starring Gene Kelly and Judy Garland
- 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. <u>Ella Fitzgerald serenades An American in Paris (1951)</u>, 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. Dancing in the Dark from The Bandwagon (1953) starring Fred Astaire and Cyd Charisse
- 10. Ray (movie montage) starring Jamie Foxx as Ray Charles (set in the 1950s and 60s), co-starring Regina King and Kerry Washington
- 11. Barn Dance from Seven Brides for Seven Brothers (1954) starring Jane Powell and the brothers, along with Howard Keel
- 12. Maybellene by Chuck Berry (1955) fuels the emergence of rock 'n' roll
- 13. I'll Know (1955) from Guys and Dolls with Jean Simmons and Marlon Brando (Frank Loesser music/Damon Runyon characters)
- 14. <u>Sluefoot</u> (1955) from Daddy Long Legs starring Fred Astaire & Leslie Caron
- 15. The King and I (1956) starring Yul Brynner and Deborah Kerr
- 16. 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)
- 17. Got a Lot O' Livin' and Teddy Bear from Elvis's second film Loving You (1957) co-starring Lizabeth Scott and Dolores Hart
- 18. I'm in Love from South Pacific (1958) starring Mitzi Gaynor

Pleasantville (set in late 1950s) starring Toby Maguire & Reese Witherspoon in a Gary Ross film; music by Randy Newman (1998)
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 1950s "movie music"

"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!