



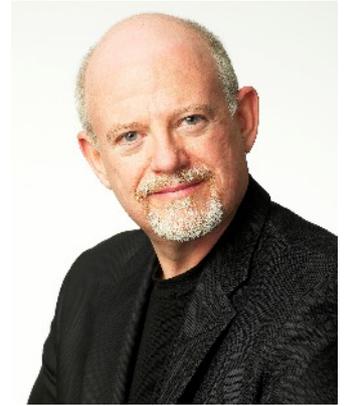
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## **What Exactly Is the Great American Songbook? [And Other Musical Mysteries De-Mystified]**

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Scott Walker is a singer, actor, and broadcaster who has appeared on stages across Canada in productions that range from Shakespeare to Steinbeck to Sondheim. Film credits include the Hallmark movie *Freshman Father*. His broadcast career included twelve years at the CBC, where he anchored the National Radio News and shared his passion for the history of popular song on his *Musical Almanac*. His critically-acclaimed solo CD contains a collection of *Great American Songbook* standards, on which Scott is accompanied by a full 40-piece orchestra. His latest release is the love song *Someone I Don't Even Know*. Scott is also the voice of the YouTube comedy hit *Spiders on Drugs* [37,000,000 hits so far].

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