



Swinging On A Star

Harry Lillis "Bing" Crosby Jr. was one of America's first superstars. He had more hit singles than any other recording artist in history, starred in scores of movies — winning an Oscar for best actor in 1944 — and hosted radio programs which reached millions of listeners each week. During WWII he toured the front lines and was described as "the person who had done the most for the morale of overseas servicemen" by *Yank Magazine*. He was also a very successful entrepreneur, helping to found the recording company Ampex, building the Del Mar race track, developing real estate, buying TV stations, and co-owning a major league baseball team. Bing's biggest hit song was "White Christmas," which stayed at number one on the radio charts for 11 weeks and became the most successful single of all time. Will and Joe will share many of Bing's biggest hits — including "Pennies From Heaven," "Out Of This World," "But Beautiful," "You're Getting To Be A Habit With Me," "In The Cool, Cool, Cool Of The Evening," "Count Your Blessings," "True Love," "Small Fry," and "Brother, Can You Spare A Dime?" — as well as stories about how certain songs came to be created.

Will has sung at venues such as Scullers Jazz Club, Sanders Theatre, Westbeth Performance Center (NYC), Spring Island (South Carolina), and Yin Par Le Garcon Chinois (Shanghai). For years McMillan hosted "Will & Company," a series in Harvard Square highlighting local performers and songwriters, which earned him an IRNE Award for Best Cabaret Show in a Small Venue. He has released four CDs, and you are welcome to visit his blog, AMusicalifeOnPlanetEarth.WordPress.com and/or web site, WillSings.com.

Joe enjoys a busy music career, playing 100+ concerts a year. He performs with a wide range of jazz and classical musicians, and has worked with a broad spectrum of theatre groups, jazz and chamber ensembles and dance troupes. Joe has worked as an accompanist for the Boston Conservatory, the Longy School of Music, the New School of Music in Cambridge and the Mark Morris Dance Company. Check out Joe's YouTube channel by searching YouTube under "Joe Reid Music" or visit his website, JoeReidMusic.com.