

Thank you. Thank you very much. Now it's time to highlight a great artist from yesteryear. Let's see if you can figure out who he is? He was born way, way back in 1886, and was a singer, film actor, and comedian. At the peak of his career, he was dubbed as "The World's Greatest Entertainer." Any guesses?

He was the star of the first talking picture "The Jazz Singer." He was our country's first "rock star" before the dawn of rock music. He enjoyed performing in "black face." You got it! Al Jolson.

During his fantastic career, he had more than 80 hit records, starred in nearly 30 movies, was the first star to entertain troops overseas during World War II and during the Korean War.

He died in 1950, having greatly influenced Irving Berlin, Judy Garland, Bing Crosby, Tony Bennett, and countless other artists.

Tonight, we're going to perform three of Al Jolson's greatest hits. Our first song was written back in 1913 and recorded that year by Mr. Jolson. Then, in 1946, he released a 2nd recording.

Here's _____ to sing this great Al Jolson song for you - "You Made Me Love You."