

Good evening. We're so very glad to be back with you again. It's always a fun time for us when we come to play for you here.

Once again tonight, we're going take you down memory lane and revisit some of the biggest hit songs from yesteryear. Does anyone know the name of our opening number? Right - "Satin Doll." It was written back in 1953 by Duke Ellington. Remember the Duke? The song also has lyrics, but they were added by Johnny Mercer long after the song became a hit.

Our next selection was written by Rodgers and Hart back in 1927 for the musical "A Connecticut Yankee." Among the artists who have recorded jazz renditions are Frank Sinatra and Ella Fitzgerald. Pay close attention to the lyrics, and you'll hear a mixture of old English and modern slang.

Here we go with "Thou Swell."