

# 12 Contemporary Settings Of Favorites From The Great American Songbook For Solo

The Great American Songbook is a collection of the most popular songs from the early 20th century. These songs were written by some of the greatest composers and lyricists of all time, and they continue to be performed and enjoyed by people of all ages. In recent years, there has been a growing trend of contemporary artists setting these songs to new arrangements. These arrangements often incorporate elements of jazz, pop, and rock, and they give these classic songs a fresh and modern sound.



## Great American Songwriters for Solo Singers: 12 Contemporary Settings of Favorites from the Great American Songbook for Solo Voice and Piano (High Voice)

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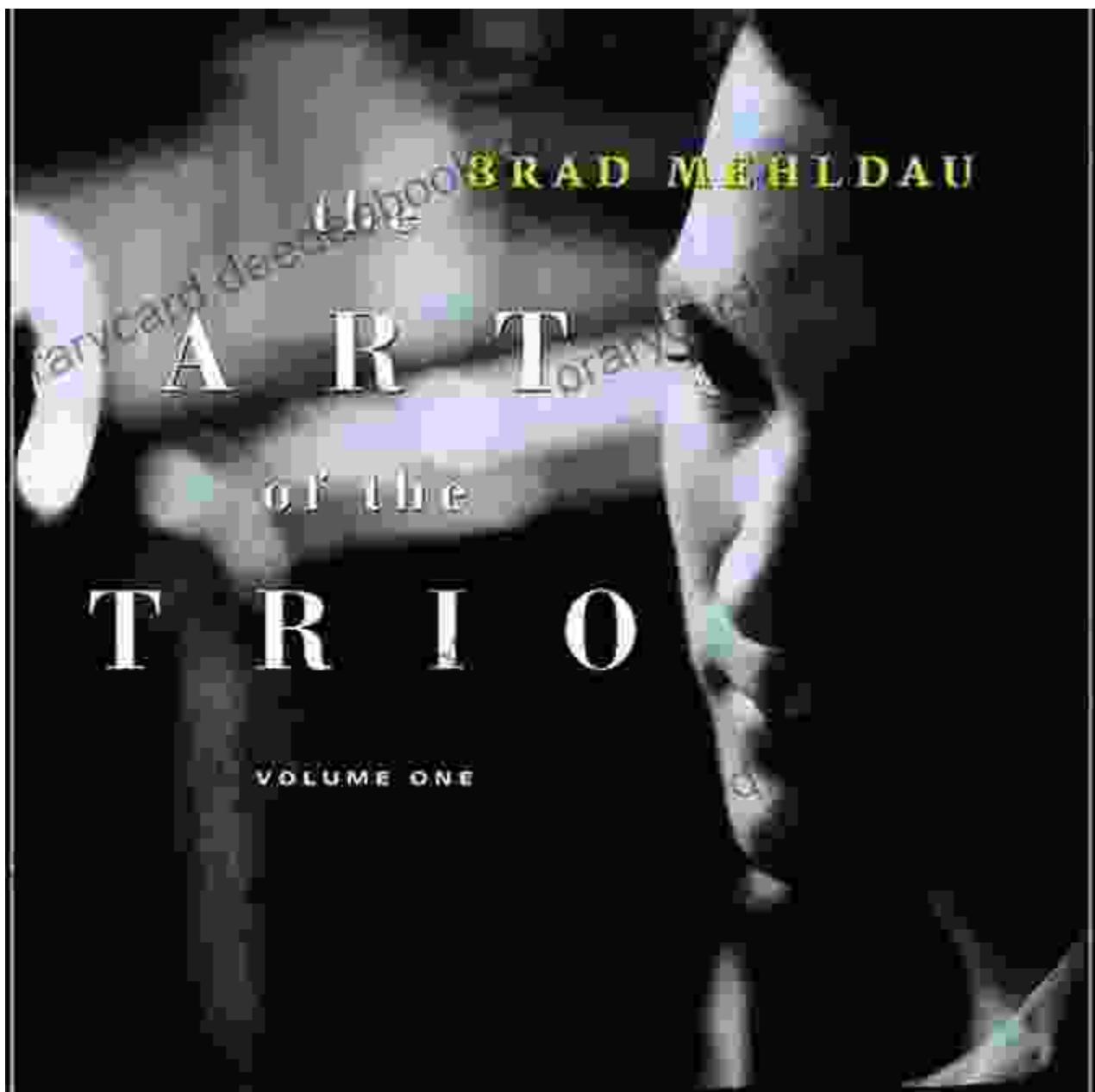
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1. "Summertime" by George Gershwin and Ira Gershwin

This classic song has been recorded by countless artists over the years, but this contemporary setting by jazz pianist Brad Mehldau is particularly beautiful. Mehldau's arrangement is slow and atmospheric, and it features a delicate piano solo that captures the song's melancholy mood perfectly.



2. **"My Funny Valentine" by Richard Rodgers and Lorenz Hart**

This song is a favorite of jazz singers, and this contemporary setting by singer-songwriter Norah Jones is one of the most beautiful versions ever recorded. Jones's arrangement is simple and elegant, and her vocals are warm and inviting. She captures the song's bittersweet mood perfectly, and her performance is sure to stay with you long after you've finished listening.



### 3. "Blue Skies" by Irving Berlin

This up-tempo song is a classic for a reason, and this contemporary setting by pop singer Michael Bublé is one of the most fun versions you'll ever hear. Bublé's arrangement is upbeat and energetic, and his

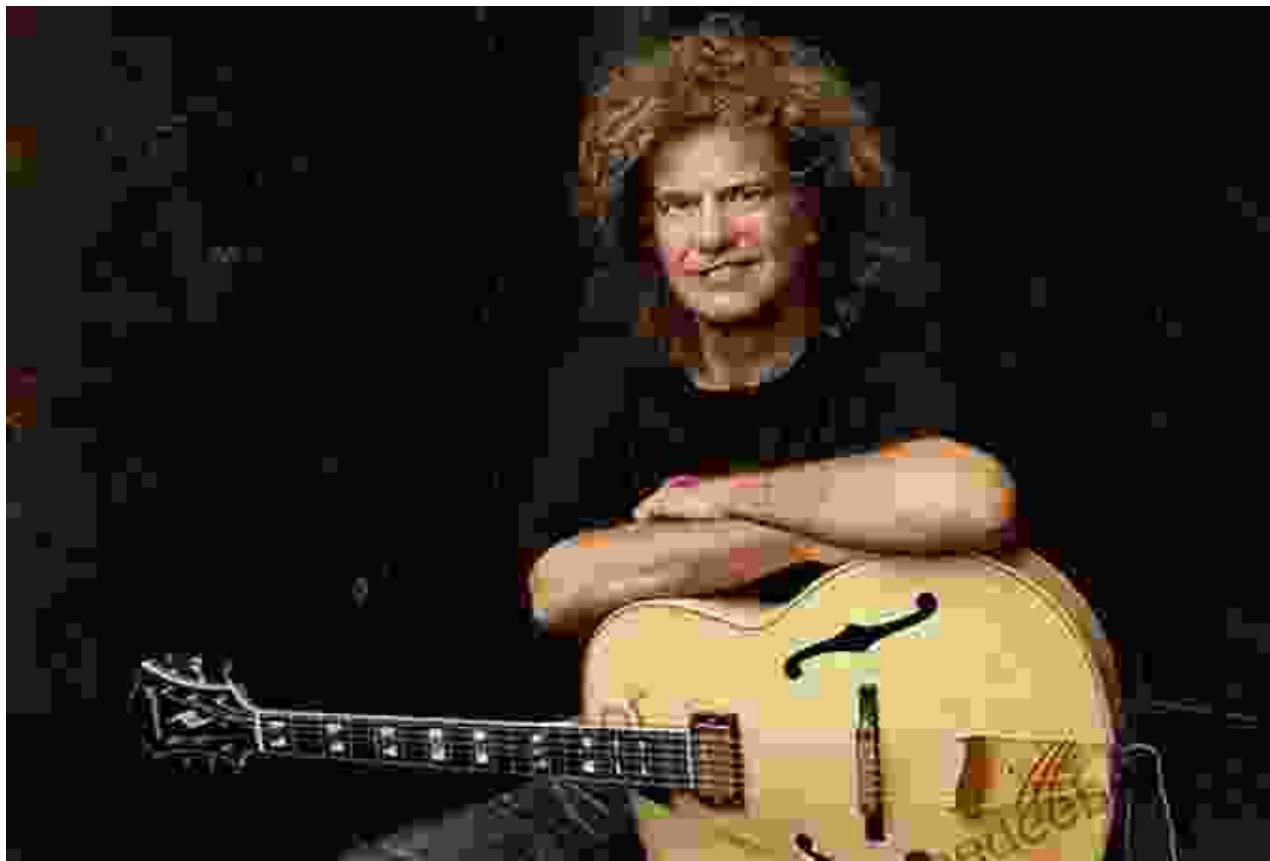
vocals are smooth and charming. He captures the song's carefree spirit perfectly, and his performance is sure to get you moving.



#### 4. **"The Way You Look Tonight" by Jerome Kern and Dorothy Fields**

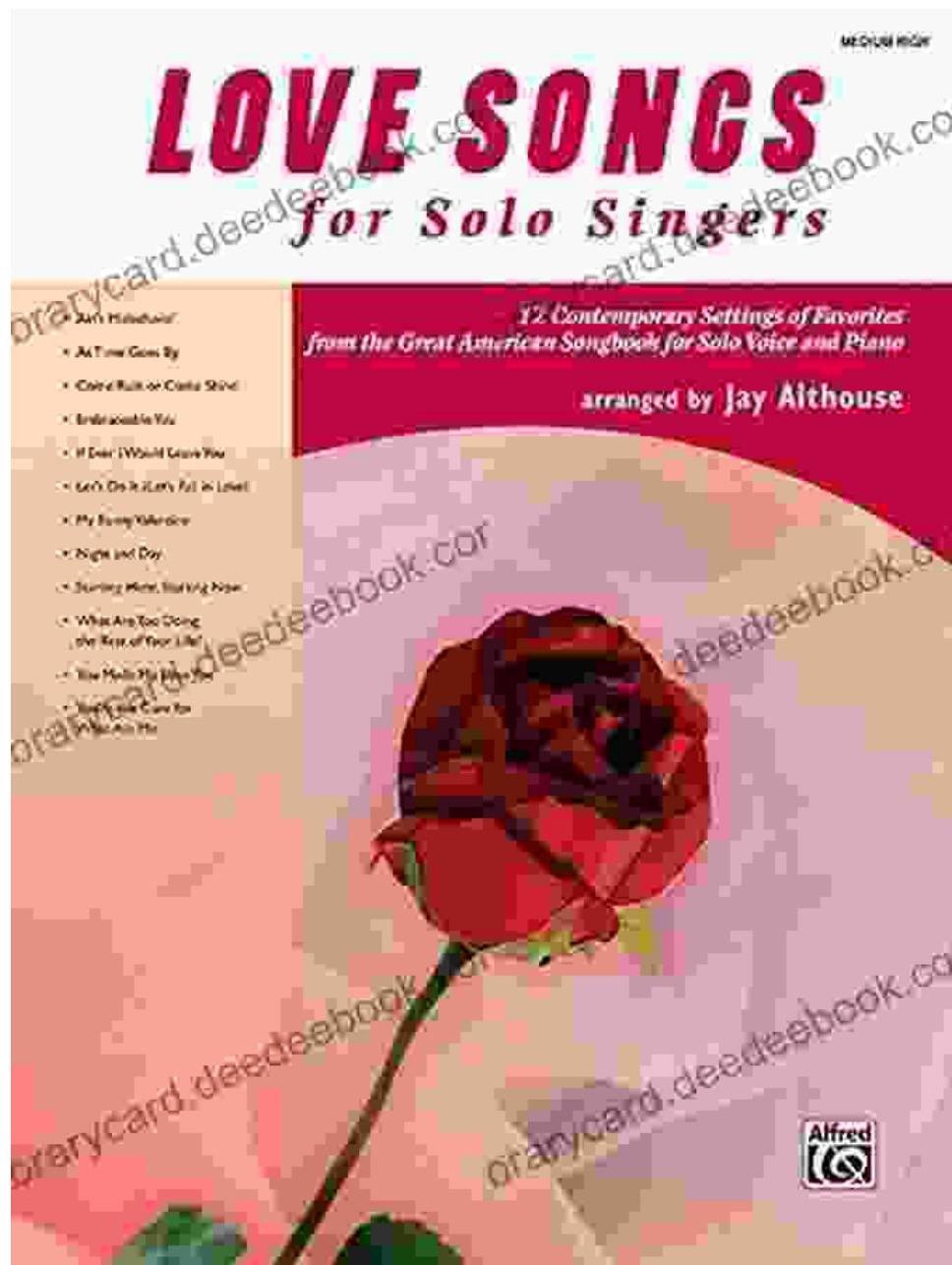
This romantic song is a favorite of singers and instrumentalists alike, and this contemporary setting by guitarist Pat Metheny is one of the most beautiful versions ever recorded. Metheny's arrangement is lush

and atmospheric, and his guitar playing is simply stunning. He captures the song's dreamy mood perfectly, and his performance is sure to leave you spellbound.



##### 5. "**All the Things You Are**" by Jerome Kern and Ira Gershwin

This song is a jazz standard, and this contemporary setting by pianist Keith Jarrett is one of the most challenging and rewarding versions ever recorded. Jarrett's arrangement is complex and sophisticated, and his piano playing is simply breathtaking. He captures the song's harmonic richness perfectly, and his performance is sure to leave you in awe.



## 6. "Autumn Leaves" by Joseph Kosma and Jacques Prévert

This song is a beautiful ballad, and this contemporary setting by singer-songwriter Sting is one of the most haunting versions ever recorded. Sting's arrangement is simple and elegant, and his vocals are warm and inviting. He captures the song's melancholic mood perfectly, and

his performance is sure to stay with you long after you've finished listening.



## 7. "Over the Rainbow" by Harold Arlen and E.Y. Harburg

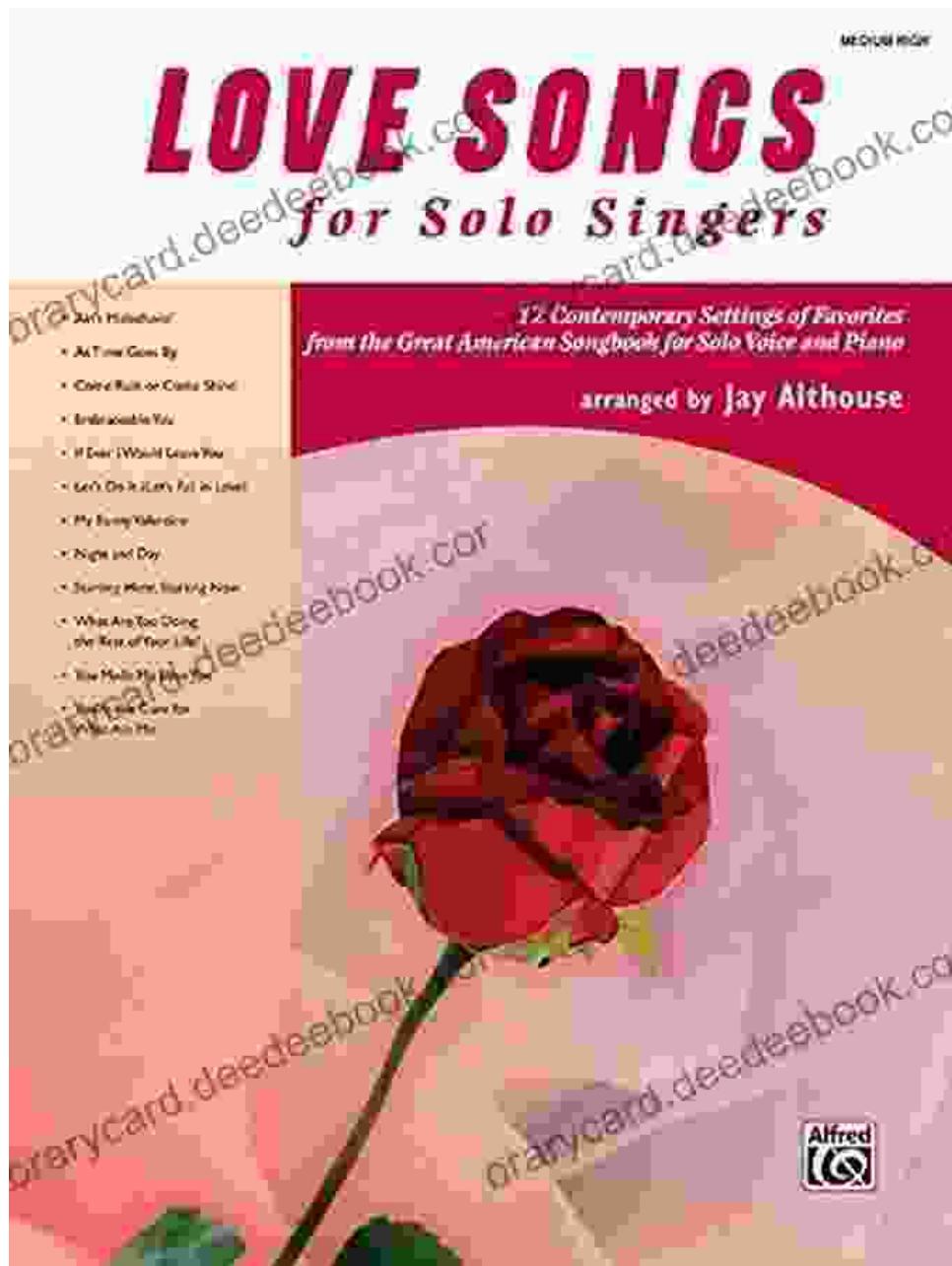
This song is a classic for a reason, and this contemporary setting by singer-songwriter Judy Garland is one of the most iconic versions ever recorded. Garland's arrangement is simple and elegant, and her vocals are pure magic. She captures the song's hopeful and optimistic mood perfectly, and her performance is sure to leave you feeling inspired.



#### 8. "**Moon River**" by Henry Mancini and Johnny Mercer

This song is a beautiful ballad, and this contemporary setting by singer-songwriter Audrey Hepburn is one of the most charming versions ever recorded. Hepburn's arrangement is simple and elegant, and her vocals are warm and inviting. She captures the song's dreamy mood perfectly,

and her performance is sure to stay with you long after you've finished listening.



## 9. "Singin' in the Rain" by Nacio Herb Brown and Arthur Freed

This song is a classic for a reason, and this contemporary setting by singer-songwriter Gene Kelly is one of the most fun versions ever recorded. Kelly's arrangement is upbeat and energetic, and his vocals

are smooth and charming. He captures the song's carefree spirit perfectly, and his performance is sure to get you moving.



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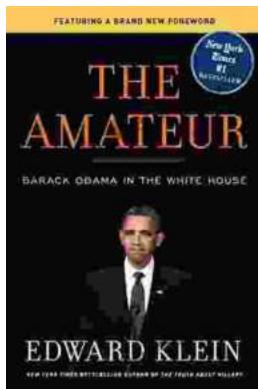
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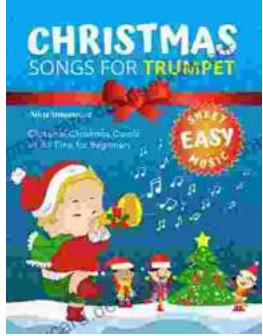
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