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## Stephen Sondheim

Send in the Clowns http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KOZhmsp6iBQ

Company http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YxdH-1VX7VI

Into The Woods http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=65S4nDyg2Zw Born in 1930, Stephen Sondheim was a lucky victim of circumstance, one Tony award, one Pulitzer, eight Grammy Awards and eight Tony's, more than any other composer. Obviously a very talented musician, he also had the good sense to become best friends with Jamie Hammerstein. Jamie's father, Oscar, helped Stephen to learn to write musicals, he was blunt and exacting, and then introduced him to all the most important people.

Stephen studied music at Williams College in Massachusetts and the won a music contest, which sent him to Princeton to study composition.

He wrote the lyrics for the musical West Side Story and for the musical Gypsy.

He continued his success with more than twenty hit musicals. Here are just a few...

Company - A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum - Follies

-A Little Night Music -Sweeney Todd -Sunday in the Park with George

-Into the Woods -Assasins

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