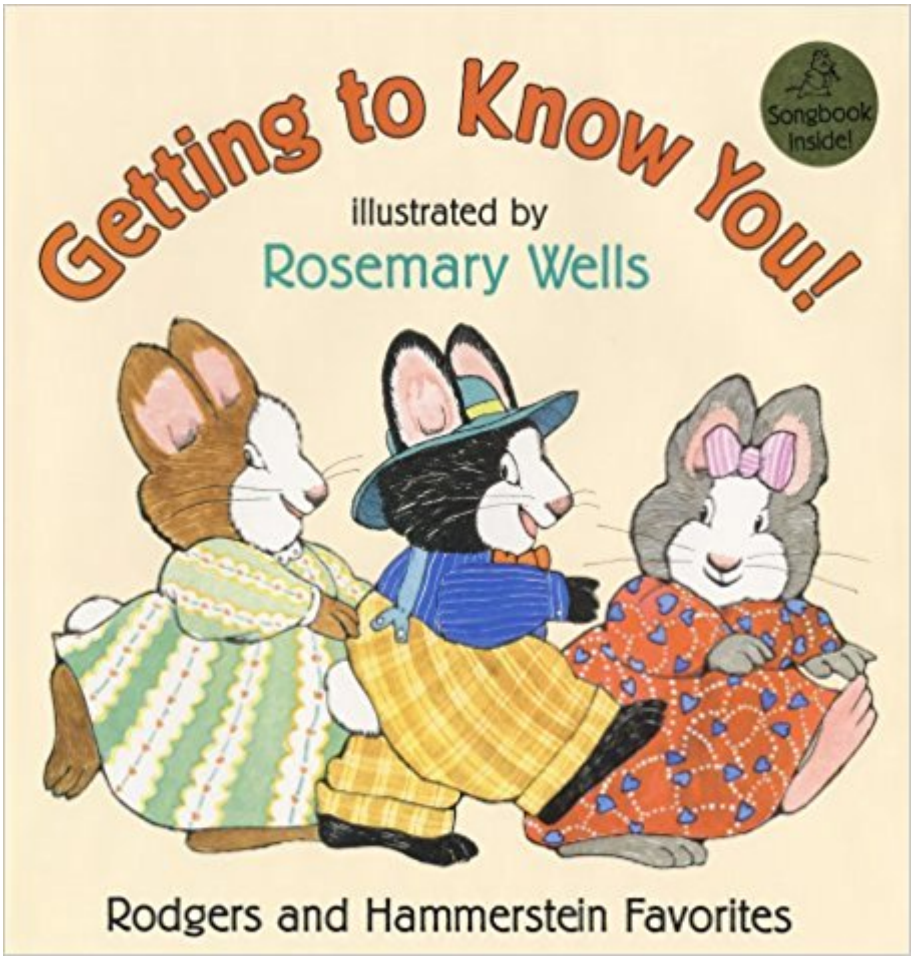
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Getting To Know You!: Rodgers And Hammerstein Favorites



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Synopsis

No two people have done more for the American musical than Richard Rodgers and Oscar Hammerstein II. Now, in Getting to Know You!, sixteen of the most popular and treasured songs from this remarkable pair have been gathered together for the first time in an illustrated picture book.With watercolors by renowned illustrator Rosemary Wells, Getting to Know You! captures the simple joy, the happy celebration, and the sly humor that are at the heart of these timeless lyrics.Included at the back of the book are the complete lyrics to each of the sixteen songs, along with the melody lines, so children and parents can read, recite, and sing along for hours of happy talks and dozens of beautiful mornings.

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Customer Reviews

This curious little picture book sets out to accomplish the odd--but surprisingly worthwhile--task of assembling some classic Rodgers & Hammerstein lyrics into a kid-friendly, sing-along format. Getting to Know You! samples songs from some of the Broadway duo’s better-known musicals (Oklahoma! , Carousel, South Pacific, and The King and I), acting them out with a cast of cute animals playfully illustrated by Rosemary Wells (Max’s Bath, etc.). You might need to hit the video store to recall the tune to a few of these (like Oklahoma!’s "Farmer and the Cowman"), but most of the 16 songs--from "Oh, What a Beautiful Mornin’" to "Some Enchanted Evening"--should be memorable enough to get you singing within the first few words. For the rest, Getting to Know You! even includes a staple-bound songbook tucked into the back cover, which includes sheet music and

complete lyrics for all the songs. Given that Rodgers & Hammerstein won countless awards for their musicals (including two Pulitzers and armfuls of Tonys, Grammys, Emmys, and Oscars), maybe it’s not so surprising that the lyrics adapt well into any format. If nothing else, it’s hard to argue with any book that can get your kid belting out, "I’m gonna wash that man right outa my hair!" (Ages 4 to 8) --Paul Hughes

Rosemary Wells’s beloved characters make their Broadway debut in Getting to Know You! Rodgers and Hammerstein Favorites, an oversize edition with excerpts from 16 of the duo’s most popular tunes. One of Wells’s signature bunnies, drawn in pastels, awakens in his bed to "a bright, golden haze on the meadow" ("Oh, What a Beautiful Mornin’ "), and chicks and ducks and geese really do scurry as a pair of straw-hatted ducks take out their "Surrey with the Fringe on Top." "Mister Snow" makes for a neatly complete vignette, but "If I Loved You" may leave youngsters stumped. Tucked in the back, a songbook offers the complete words and melody line to each tune. Copyright 2002 Reed Business Information, Inc.

Rosemary Wells wonderful animal artwork illustrate selections from some of Rodger and Hammerstein’s greatest works. The selections are on the theme of friendship and acceptance--The Farmer and the Cowboys Should be Friends from Oklahoma and Getting to Know You from the King and I. The song selections are just a few lines long and it’s a wonderful book to read and sing with children and grandchildren. The large size of this book adds to the enjoyment of sharing this book. Recommended for all ages.

We recently gave this book to my grandmother for her 80th birthday. As a child, my grandmother would often sing many of these songs to us. She truly loved the book and has my seven year old daughter singing "O What a Beautiful Morning".

Thankyou!

Very charming book; 4 year old granddaughter and I enjoy singing the songs together.

Ok....

How could you not love this book; some of the greatest songs written for american theatre illustrated

by one of the great artists of children's books. If you have a small son or daughter, buy this book! ESPECIALLY if they:1: Love musicals (like my son)2: Love Rosemary Wells (like my son)

I bought this book as soon as I became aware it existed! I love it, and I love it all the more so now that I have a 2 year old who loves to be sung to. If you know show tunes, you know the songs here, and it's so much fun to go through the book singing the songs and talking about the pictures. The choices are great ones---Oklahoma, When the Children are Asleep, Happy Talk, Oh, What a Beautiful Morning---songs you want your little ones to know, with pictures to make them welcoming. I have noticed how often Wells mentions show tunes in her other books, and you can see her love of them shining through here. Wonderful!

Well, I was able to judge this book by its cover: I love Rodgers & Hammerstein songs (you don't even have to be a great singer to pull them off!), and I love Rosemary Wells' witty illustrations. The marriage of songs and pictures is magical. Only the verse of each song is in the illustrated section of the book, but that won't stop you from singing the whole song if you (and your child) feel like it! A songbook with complete lyrics is included, so get into that rocking chair with or without your favorite kid, and belt 'em out!

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