



A new show that traces the roots and discovers the music world's hidden connections

Hip-Hop: as American as apple pie

In 1971, Don McLean (“American Pie”) performs in front of an audience that includes a songwriter who’s so inspired, she helps write, “Killing Me Softly With His Song.” Roberta Flack makes the song a hit in 1972, earning herself a Grammy. Then, in 1996, the Fugees cover the song, also receive a Grammy, and “Killing Me Softly” becomes the breakout hit for singer Lauryn Hill and the band.



The Beatles generations

1964: Bill Granger and Maggie Ellison see the Fab Four during their first U.S. concert tour in San Francisco.



1992: Bill and Maggie’s son, James, sees Paul McCartney at the Ed Sullivan Theater in NYC.



2018: James’ two sons – Bill and Maggie’s grandkids – are in a rock band. Their encore: “A Hard Day’s Night”



It’s in their DNA

Musicians’ DNA are tested...we find out which other musicians they’re distantly related to...and we bring all the matches together for the “Cousins Concert Series,” performed in front of a select audience.



Tree of Music...connect the dots and explore. You never know what will turn up!