

BROTHERS AND SISTERS IN MUSIC

*Righteous, Everly, Isley ... Pointer, Staple, Jones - were they really siblings?
The history behind these pop groups and their songs.*

An illustrated lecture presented by Dulais Rhys, Ph.D

The Andrews *Sisters* were three mid 20th century singers who were real-life siblings. The Jacksons were real-life brothers who never called their singing group The Jackson *Brothers* and similarly, The Staple *Singers* were all members of one family.

Were the Righteous Brothers related? Were the Pointer Sisters siblings? Was Sly and the Family Stone a bona fide family?

Which pop groups were actually siblings but never used ‘sisters’ or ‘brothers’ in the band name? And of those that did, were they really related? How and where did they form? And if the members did not share a family name, why choose that particular moniker?

An added complication is that pop groups are notorious for having a revolving door of personnel while keeping the band name – so any ‘brothers’ or ‘sisters’ in the title may eventually not be so true!

To answers these questions and more, this presentation focuses on the more familiar ‘brothers’ and ‘sisters’ in pop music. The history behind these musical family members – or not – are equally as fascinating as the performers that are forever associated with their great songs.

This lecture gives insights and backgrounds into the truths and myths of these ‘related’ pop singers and will include many of their greatest hits. Be prepared to be confused by group names but enjoy the wonderful songs that they performed ☺

DURATION: c1 hour

FEE: \$250

EXPENSES: a contribution toward travel costs is appreciated.

Thank you for considering my proposal and please contact me for more information.

Sincerely,

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