Mp3 Frank Emerson - There's A Story Told



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Spoken introductions to some folk, celtic, original and standards - very eclectic 15 MP3 Songs FOLK: Folk Pop, SPOKEN WORD: With Music Details: This recording is a little different than those that are around these days. Intimate and personal, there are no liner notes. Rather, there are spoken introductions to each piece - supplying some straight background information and occasionally providing a laugh or two. In this and by way of his casual yet confident and sometimes self deprecating, tongue in cheek delivery, Frank seems to speak directly to the individual listener. Another difference between this and other albums is that with the exception of when he occasionally plays the tin whistle or the bodhran, the performances are done live - that is simultaneously recording Frank's voice and guitar. And that's it. Put together with the introductions, the entire presentation comes close to hearing Frank in a club. The numbers themselves run the gamut from ballads to up tempo, Irish to Folk to Tin Pan Ally standards even to a little jazz. Michael Snow's "The Dawning of the Day" is not only a declaration of love but of determination as well. Gabriel Donahue's "Sweet Savannah Sunday" is a perfect love song to that lady of the South. Bobby Troup's "Their Hearts Were Full of Spring" is just a wonderful, timeless love song. Betty Mallory's maiden effort, "The Blues are Running" is absolutely heartfelt. There are three of Frank's original compositions as well: the rollicking sea song 'Tween the Devil and the Deep Blue Sea', the pointedly humorous toast cum booze anthem "Drink!" and the gutsy, moving, patriotic "One Nation United." This is and eclectic album to be sure. It is not really aimed to please everyone, but rather presents a slice of life on any given evening in any given pub or at a concert for a Frank Emerson performance. The record is highly entertaining and chock full of insights and information.

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