



Steve Poltz
Composer

He trick-or-treated at Liberace's house, planned a two-day stay in Amsterdam that ended a month later with him escaping the city under the cover of darkness, and was Bob Hope's favorite altar boy. Alone, these anecdotes go well with a fistful of peanuts at a cocktail party. But on top of all this, he also co-wrote the longest-running song on the *Billboard* Top 100 (Jewel's "***You Were Meant for Me***"), had a debut solo album that earned three and a half stars in *Rolling Stone*, and was awarded the title of "San Diego's Most Influential Artist of the Decade" at the San Diego Music Awards. What you end up with is one of the most engaging and prolific songwriters of our time.

Poltz's songs have been heard in films, commercials and television programs. "***You Remind Me (Who I Am)***" is prominently featured in a Jeep television commercial. After releasing a series of solo albums that have garnered him worldwide notice, some of his tracks have been prominently featured in *Notting Hill*, *Jack Frost*, and *Dawson's Creek*, to name a few. Never one to stop creating music, Poltz recently sat down and composed the soundtrack to the feature film ***Running Wild***, 26 tracks of artfully crafted motion picture score.

After releasing three albums as the front man in a punk band The Rugburns, Steve went on to launch a successful solo career, turning out eclectic records like: ***One Left Shoe***, ***Chinese Vacation***, ***Traveling/Unraveling***, ***Dreamhouse***, and ***Noineen Noiny Noin***. ***Answering Machine***, which consists entirely of 45-second songs that he recorded for his outgoing answering machine message, converted Neil Young to an instant fan.

Steve manages to balance sparse yet catchy arrangements with subject matter that unflinchingly examines the universal themes of lost love, a lifetime of travel, and the wisdom born from these experiences. ***Running Wild*** is no exception. This album captures the purity of a man who has fought his entire life protecting the West and the creatures that inhabit the planet. Steve's signature track "Song for Hawk" pays homage to an aging cowboy by honoring his spirit; Poltz's soulful lyric lines are underscored by moving guitar and violin riffs.

Besides an impressive 2013 international tour schedule coupled with the release of the ***Running Wild*** soundtrack, Steve Poltz plans to continue pumping out original music in a series of new works itching to be heard.