How to Add Songs for Licensing

Because so many songs go by the same title, we need to know the Title plus the Composer or the Original Recording Artist. Here's where to find this information:

If you are using sheet music

You can find the Composer name at the top right of the first page with music notes. This is also where you find the Arranger if there is one. It is also helpful for us to know the Publisher. You can find this information at the bottom center of the first page of sheet music with actual music notes. Check out the following pages to see actual sheet music examples that highlight the spots where you will find the information you need.

If you are playing by ear

You can often find the Composer on Wikipedia. Try searching the title followed by the word “song”. For example, a Wikipedia search for “Here Comes the Sun Song” tells us that George Harrison is the writer. If you search Wikipedia and Google and still can’t find the Composer we can still help you. Give us the name of a famous artist that recorded the song and we will do what we can.

If you only know the title

Try Googling the lyrics. Often this will give you the name of a famous artist that recorded the song. Once you know this, plug it into the 'Original Recording Artist' field and we'll do the rest.

If you want to do your own research

The Title and Composer or Artist is all we need to get your licenses. We research for you to learn who owns the Copyright to each song (the Publisher). When we send your Proof of Licensing we provide Publisher information to include in your credits. If you want to do your own research, you can search the repertoire databases at the following sites:

ASCAP.com
BMI.com
SESAC.com
AllMusic.com

↓ Scroll Down for Sheet Music Examples ↓
BOHEMIAN RHAPSODY

Words and Music by
FREDDIE MERCURY

Composer/Arranger

Good Like This

c 1975 B. FELDMAN & CO., LTD. trading as TRIDENT MUSIC
All rights for the U.S. & Canada controlled by GLENWOOD MUSIC CORP
All Rights Reserved
NOT Like This!

Wrong Info:
Distributor,
Not Publisher