



SINGER SONGWRITER STEVE DORFF

Steve Dorff has penned songs for everyone from Kenny Rogers to Barbara Streisand and Celine Dion. He has been performing his hits, and telling the stories behind them, in a national concert tour titled "An Evening with Steve Dorff."

The New York City native co-wrote the book "I Wrote That One Too...A Life in Writing from Willie to Whitney" with Colette Freedman, chronicling those experiences and his 30 years in the music industry.

"I started writing songs in Georgia," Dorff says. "[In the 1970s] I would cut classes at [the University of Georgia] to write songs at Lowery Music, which was a big publishing company in Atlanta. I would also sneak into the music school after hours to play the piano and write songs. There are two chapters in the book that focus on my time in Atlanta."

Writing the book has put his musical journey into perspective, Dorff says. "It's a roller coaster – the rejection, euphoric success and dismal failure," he adds. "I feel like I've got a long way to go, but at this age I can say, 'now I can see why that happened."

Steve Dorff appears at the book festival at 7:30 p.m., Nov. 13. stevedorff.com »