

Dear Al,

The pictures are absolutely superb and I am deeply touched by your thoughtfulness in developing them and framing them so beautifully. They will be a source of continued pleasure to me and I send you my enthusiastic thanks.

Yours sincerely,

Dick (Richard Rodgers)

Al,

What a blessed surprise, this memory. It has always impressed me since 1963. Thank you for caring to send it.

Lovingly,

Della Reese

Al Stewart's 'View From The Bandstand' is a trumpeter's view of music-making back to the 1940s. A brass section pumps the life-blood through any orchestra, and Al's authority in that section has been honored by fellow musicians for a long time. Fortunately for us, though, Al has also been a photographer. His action pictures of performances throughout his career are marvelous documents of earlier times. It is Al's own history, and we're lucky that he has made available to all of us.

Dick Hyman



MY VIEW FROM THE BANDSTAND

Al Stewart



