

Ruth Etting - Fact Sheet

Based on:

Ruth Etting, popular singer, "Jazz Age Sweetheart"

Short bio of Etting:

Both Etting and Helen Morgan were famous as the foremost "torch singers" of the 1920s, singing boozy tales of women-done-wrong woe. Etting was talented, but having a powerful gangster such as Moe "The Gimp" Snyder as a husband didn't hurt either. He secured Etting a recording contract for Columbia Records in 1925. She appeared in the Ziegfeld Follies in 1927. Etting had a string of hits in the '20s and '30s, including "Button Up Your Overcoat," "You Made Me Love You" and "Ten Cents a Dance." She appeared in about a dozen films in the 1920s and 1930s.

Other information about your character:

The wife of a major gangland figure's work is never done. In addition to your stage and screen efforts, you also aid in Joe's money-laundering racket.

You're also acquainted with another one of the guests, Josephine Butcher (Dancer and actress), since you're both entertainers.

Helpful links:

<http://mypage.direct.ca/r/rsavill/Etting.html>

<http://www.tuts.com/TUTS98/Whoopee/DonaldsonArticle.html>

<http://us.imdb.com/Title?0048317>