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The Australian Brothers Gibb, Barry and twins Robin and Maurice (1949—), are one of the most successful, versatile, enduring recording groups in the world. Their trademark close harmonies, along with their remarkable songwriting abilities and talent for creating distinctive melodies, have earned them dozens of top 40 hits, including six consecutive number ones from 1977-79. Because of their involvement with the soundtrack to *Saturday Night Fever,* they are primarily artistically associated with late-1970s disco excesses. However, they released their first widely available record in 1967, and began a string of hits in several genres: pop, psychedelic, country, R&B, and soul. Though they still regularly top the charts in other parts of the world, they have not had major chart success in the United States since 1983. In 1997, the Bee Gees were inducted into the Rock 'n' Roll Hall of Fame.

Further Reading:

Bee Gees. *Bee Gees Anthology: Tales from the Brothers Gibb a History in Song 1967-1990.* Hal Leonard Publishing Corporation, 1991.