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Known for his work on Broadway, film, and television, Mandy Patinkin is one of the most versatile performers working in the entertainment industry. The three principal roles he created on Broadway—Che Guevara in Lloyd Webber's *Evita* (1979); George Seurat in Sondheim's *Sunday in the Park with George* (1986); and Archibald Craven in Simon's *The Secret Garden* (1991)—all received critical praise. Film credits include *Ragtime* (1981), *Yentl* (1983), *The Princess Bride* (1987), and *Dick Tracy* (1990).

In the mid-1990s, Patinkin starred in the television series *Chicago Hope,* for which he won an Emmy Award in 1995. His character in *Chicago Hope,* Dr. Jeffrey Geiger, provided the opportunity for Patinkin to showcase his vocal abilities for television audiences. He has recorded a number of solo albums, including *Mandy Patinkin* (1989), *Dress Casual* (1990), *Oscar and Steve* (1995), and the entirely Yiddish *Mamaloshen* (1998).

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