James Darren – singles and LPs – born James William Ercolani (born June 8, 1936)
Darren have released records from 1959-1978, starred in movies and TV-series and have directed several TV-shows and -series. Still active into the 2010’s. Married in 1960 to Danish beauty queen Evy Norlund.

Leon could be present from 1962 onwards.

1022 Darren, James

I Don’t Wanna Lose Ya/Angel Face
Colpix CP 119 (US) 1959

1: With 4 Blossoms vocal group – arr. and cond. by George Duning –

Darren, James Those Teenage Tears/Let There Be Love
Colpix CP 130 (US) 1959

Darren, James Those Teenage Tears/Let There Be Love
Colpix CP 15003 (DK) 1959
Darren, James  |  Gidget/There's No Such Thing  |  Colpix CP 15000 (DK)  |  1959
Darren, James  |  Gidget/You /There's No Such Thing/ Mighty Pretty Territory  |  Colpix CEP 1000 (DK)  |  1959

Orch. cond. by Morris Stoloff. Nice crooning with a fine and big orchestra. Note it’s “Jimmy” not “James”. Both songs from the movie “Gidget”.

Darren, James  |  Man About Town/ Until The Real Thing Comes Along  |  Colpix CP 168 (US)  |  1960
Darren, James  
**Man About Town/**  
*Until The Real Thing Comes Along*  
Colpix CP 15002 (DK)  1960

Darren, James  
**Travelling Down A Lonely Road/**  
*P.S. I Love You*  
Colpix CP 145 (US)  1960

Darren, James  
**Travelling Down A Lonely Road/**  
*P.S. I Love You*  
Colpix CP 15005 (DK)  1960

Darren, James  
**Because They’re Young/**  
*Tears In My Eyes*  
Colpix CP 142 (US)  1960

Darren, James  
**Because They’re Young/**  
*Tears In My Eyes*  
Colpix CP 15006 (DK)  1960

**Thumbing Leon-like “rhythm piano” on both, but it can’t be Leon in 1960. Arr. and cond. George Duning. Track 2 sounds like an early “Wrecking Crew” recording, with strong guitar, piano and drums. But in 1960…?**

Darren, James  
**All The Young Men/**  
*Come On My Love*  
Colpix CP 155 (US)  1960

Darren, James  
**All The Young Men/**  
*Come On My Love*  
Colpix CP 15008 (DK)  1960

Darren, James  
**Gidget Goes Hawaiian/**  
*Wild About The Girl*  
Colpix CP 189 (US)  1961

Darren, James  
**Hand In Hand/**  
*You Are My Dream*  
Colpix CP 194 (US)  1961

Darren, James  

**Her Royal Majesty/If I Could Only Tell You**  
Colpix CP 622 (US)  
1962

1. Heavy brass arr. no piano. A catchy Goffin/King tune. 
2: Violins all over... no piano. Both arr. and prod. by Stu Philips.

Darren, James  

**Conscience/Dream Big**  
Colpix CP 630 (US)  
1962

Darren, James  

**The Life of the Party/Mary’s Little Lamb**  
Colpix CP 644 (US)  
1962

*Leon all over 1!! A nice up-tempo song. No piano on 2. Arr. and prod. by Stu Philips*

Darren, James  

**Hail, To The Conquering Hero/Too Young To Go Steady**  
Colpix CP 655 (US)  
1962
Darren, James  
*I'll Be Loving You/Hear What I Wanna Hear*  
Colpix CP 664 (US)  1962

*No piano on 1 – lots of violins. There is piano on 2, which could be Leon. Sounds like it. Nice sax solo.*

Darren, James  
Pin A Medal On Joey/Diamond Head  
Colpix CP 672 (US)  1963

Darren, James  
They Should Have Given You The Oscar/Blame It On My Youth  
Colpix CP 685 (US)  1963

Darren, James  
Gegetta/Grande Luna, Italiana  
Colpix CP 696 (US)  1963

Darren, James  
Under The Yum Yum Tree/Backstage  
Colpix CP 708 (US)  1963

Darren, James  
Punch and Judy/Just Think of Tonight  
Colpix CP 758 (US)  1964

Darren, James  
A Married Man/Baby, Talk To Me  
Colpix CP 765 (US)  1965

Darren, James  
Because You’re Mine/Millions of Roses  
WB 5648 (US)  1965

Darren, James  
I Want to be Lonely/Tom Hawk  
WB 5689 (US)  1966

Darren, James  
Where Did We Go Wrong/Counting the Cracks  
WB 5812 (US)  1966

Darren, James  
Didn’t We/Counting the Cracks  
WB 7053 (US)  1967/1966

Darren, James  
Crazy Me/They Don’t Know  
WB 5838 (US)  1966

Darren, James  
Love Is Where You Find It/(Let’s Worry About) Tomorrow Tomorrow  
WB 5856 (US)  1966
Leon has arranged both tracks and plays very little piano, you have to listen closely to catch it.
Prod. by Dick Glasser. Track 1 from the movie “Run For Your Wife”
There is piano on both, but no Leon real licks. It could be him, especially on track 1.
*Prod. Dick Glasser and arr. by Ernie Freeman*

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From WB (ended 1968) Darren went to Kirschner, MGM, Private Stock and RCA to release records. Released on his own label in 2013. Pye re-released some of the old hits.

**LPs**

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Russell: piano and arranger