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The Legendary Career Of Barbra Streisand

By Bob Johnson

The legendary career of Barbra Streisand is well known around the globe. Paved with impressive achievements and memorable moments, Streisand became the first female actress to ever direct and star in a motion picture that was recognized with a Best Director nomination from the DGA (Director's Guild of America). The film, *The Prince of Tides*, was also honored with seven Academy Award nominations.

In 1963, Barbara Streisand released her first album, which was fittingly titled 'The Barbra Streisand Album,' for which she received two Grammy Awards. At that time, she was the youngest artist to have ever received the Album of the Year award. As Barbra made her motion picture debut in 1968, her attempt paid off with an Academy Award for Best Actress, which would be the first of two Oscars for this outstanding performer.

The self-proclaimed "actress who sings," Barbra Streisand has repeatedly found herself at the top of the record charts and the box office. Her music success is marked with albums that have been certified as both gold and platinum. Her film roles have earned her undeniable success at the Academy Awards but, through it all, Barbra Streisand has remained dedicated to the causes that mean so much to her.

The Streisand Foundation, which is headquartered in Santa Monica, California, contributes to an array of causes every year. Among them, the Natural Resources Defense Council, the National Breast Cancer Coalition Fund, the Institute for America's Future, the Human Rights Campaign Foundation, the Center for Public Integrity and the Center on Budget and Policy Priorities. Since its inception in 1986, The Streisand Foundation has provided grants totaling nearly 15 million dollars to national organizations dedicated to bettering a number of important issues. In 1993, The Streisand Foundation noted that it would prioritize projects that were geared toward the economically disadvantaged youth in Los Angeles, California.

Because of her national fame and world-renowned recognition, Barbra Streisand is an icon. Both movie and music fans are always in search of memorabilia that depicts the likeness of their favorite celebrity. Everything from autographs to movie collectibles and concert memorabilia, Barbra Streisand is always a fan favorite. For additional information on her legendary career or any of the latest events,

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Barbra Streisand Tickets – A Vocal Legend Returns To The Stage

By Jay Nault

Anyone who has ever listened to music has heard the voice – that angelic, instantly-recognizable voice of Barbra Streisand, and Barbra Streisand tickets are once again available. This legend of the music industry is not just a singer, however, but a performer, and her acting roles have garnered the same positive reviews as her albums. Streisand is also active in support of several causes, and her life is one of the more interesting biographies of recent times.

Early Life

Barbara Joan Streisand was born on April 24, 1942 in Brooklyn. She had a somewhat-difficult childhood, as her father died when she was only 15 months old. She never had more than a "touch-and-go" relationship with her stepfather, and she also experienced turbulence in her relationship with her mother.

Streisand loved performing as a child, but she was discouraged by her mother from pursuing it as a career. Her mother told her that she was not attractive enough to succeed, and that she should concentrate on her studies and settle down with a stable husband. In a reaction that is indicative of her character, Streisand defied this "advice" and began to sing and dance at every opportunity.

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She attended Erasmus Hall High School and graduated in 1959. She sang in the school choir, and one of her choir mates was none other than Neil Diamond. After graduation, Streisand decided not to attend college, and instead found work as a nightclub singer and appeared in a number of off-Broadway productions.

Streisand continued to hone her lounge act, and she shortened her first name to its present form in order to be more distinctive. Her act became a hit in Greenwich Village, and her audiences followed her every move. This local attention got her noticed, and she landed a role in the 1962 Broadway production of *I Can Get It for You Wholesale*. On the heels of this performance, Streisand signed her first recording contract, and her star was on the rise.

Smashing Success

Streisand's first album, *The Barbra Streisand Album*, was not only a success, but won two Grammy Awards in 1963. Streisand would win many additional awards for many different performances, and she was fast-becoming a household name. Her act was also becoming popular outside of New York, and Barbra Streisand tickets began to experience high demand.

All in all, Streisand has recorded more than 60 albums and sold tens of millions of copies of her work worldwide. She has also acted both on Broadway and the big screen, and her litany of awards is stunning. Among many others, Streisand has won two Oscars, six Emmys, eleven Golden Globes, ten Grammys, a Tony Award and two Cable Ace awards. She is recognizable everywhere in the world, and her status has allowed her to publicly support several causes, sometimes with a high degree of controversy.

Beliefs

Streisand has been a lifelong supporter of gay rights, as her first performing gig in Greenwich Village was at a gay bar, where she was introduced to the sub-culture and discovered that despite all the dark stories, homosexuals were "just people, like everyone else." Streisand spoke out loudly against the state of Colorado when voters did not approve a gay rights initiative, and she drew heavy criticism for her stance.

She has also donated time and huge sums of money to help the homeless, those afflicted with AIDS, and many other causes that she feels need attention. Barbra Streisand tickets will allow you to not only hear a legendary voice, but to get to know a person whose beliefs are more important to her than her accomplishments.

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