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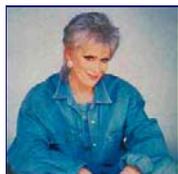
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Posted - 31/12/2008 : 09:35:27

Looking back over the year I think it was a very good year for Dusty fans.

For me the highlight were.

Four new books ( I can't think of any other singer who had a biography,a book of poetry and two studies published about them this year)

Katy Setterfield winning The One And Only and bringing Dusty's music to a wider audience.

The amount of Dusty material posted on Youtube, a lot of which I never thought I'd ever see and some I didn't even know existed.

As usual we had several new compilation CDs released this year and while there were no previously unreleased tracks on any of them I think Gold deserves mention as there seems to have been thought and care put into its track selection.

The one major piece of bad news was that The Dusty Springfield Bulletin is ceasing publication.

What were your Dusty highlights or otherwise of the year?

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Posted - 31/12/2008 : 09:59:09

Thanks to the generosity of Frans, Mads, Joshy, and certainly Fraser, I completed my Miss Dusty collection- I now have every song she ever recorded. Still working on her available 'live' tracks though.

"And the answer will come back to you...like laughter in the wind..."



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We also got to hear at least part of Dusty's Corner of the Sky vocal on the duet with Petula, Shelby Lynn had a very successful time with her cover of Dusty's songbook, Anne Murray chose Dusty as the only singer to postumously duet with on her Duets album, which was huge in Canada. And there are still those movies and stage shows which get updated in the press every now and then. I do hope for a good stage show to open in the West End but it has to be very well done, maybe that will happen in 2009. I'm not hopeful for a movie and the thought of one scares me slightly! They're so permanent and if it's done wrong with the wrong person playing Dusty, it can do a lot of harm. LTD goes from strength to strength and I hope that 2009 being the 10th anniversary of Dusty's death, will bring continuing interest in all things Dusty.

On a personal level, taking part in The One and Only was an amazing experience and having Katy as Dusty win was beyond our wildest dreams at the beginning on the series. I wouldn't have missed it for the world.

The downside is definitely the ending of the Bulletin. Paul gave us so much for the past umpteen years, I'll miss it very much, but hopefully Paul will still have his finger in many Dusty pies 🙄🙄

Carole x

"The days have come and gone since you were here..."

Edited by - daydreamer on 31/12/2008 10:39:26



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I'm looking forward to the 40th Anniversary re-release of 'Dusty In Memphis'; hopefully it'll have the 1980s version of 'I Don't Want to Hear it Anymore' as a bonus. There are so few unheard (by the general public) tracks of hers left, whether it be alternate takes or just unheard recordings; it'd be a real treat.

"And the answer will come back to you...like laughter in the wind..."

Edited by - MissDustyFanatic on 31/12/2008 11:19:19



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I agree it's been a great year. 2008 was a bit like Dusty getting a new manager who knows what they're doing. Very careful preparation for a big 'comeback' in 2009. Katy Settersfield. Four quality books. The Gold compilation. Dusty's (and Annie Randall's) mention in the fab Supremes exhibition at our prestigious Victoria and Albert Museum. LTD going from strength to strength (more and more topics, so many great participants). The Dusty YouTube channels with so many lovely comments (she is so loved and respected and so missed). That lovely little video of 'I Only Want To Be With You' (the one Will tacked a LTD advert to) now has more than a million views. The amazing selling prices for rare Dusty material on Amazon and e.bay.

I still hope, as I did when I joined LTD this year, that all this 'preparation' is for a great Dusty'ed 2009. New BBC DVDs (including one with a Dusty Motown jukebox of video tracks). The special DIM edition and the re-release of Dusty's deleted CDs. The new British Music Experience museum which is expected to include Dusty's 'Nowhere to Run' mini dress. And hopefully a good quality musical drama. There is a risk that some plans (the musical, the movies?) get shelved because of the gloomy economic back-drop but I won't think about that today!

Now that the Dusty Bulletin is over I hope the great CDs it offered to members only will now go on general release.

My big hope is that the Ready Steady Go Motown special will be released on DVD (with other RSG shows) to tie in with the Motown 50th anniversary celebrations as well as Dusty's. I hope that Dusty gets the respect due to her in the UK celebrations of Motown. Annie Randall's excellent book should ensure she does (I also hope that Annie has a publicist that will catch the Motown wave). All this will really raise Dusty's profile. My wishing and hoping and fantasy planning and scheming seemed to work well in 2008 so I'd better keep it up!

*Link to the British Music Experience:*

<http://www.britishmusicexperience.com/>

HAPPY NEW DUSTY YEAR TO EVERYBODY!

Memphis  
Ever since we met...



**memphisinlondon**

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BTW I've e.mailed the British Music Experience just to comment that their website banner is focused on white male rockers and doesn't include any female artists. I've suggested that they might consider including Dusty especially as she has anniversaries coming up, was recently included on the Rolling Stone Top 100 Greatest Singers list and is the greatest international singer Britain has produced so far.

You might consider sending them an e.mail too. Just a suggestion.

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**trek007**

I'll try anything



Posted - 01/01/2009 : 10:03:13



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Good idea Memphis...a female is required on the banner!!

It has been a good 2008 for Dusty and I just know that 2009 will be even better.

Web sites like this one certainly help to keep the profile up beat and radio stations play more Dusty music than probably any other deceased artist.  
2009 is an important year for obvious reasons with the anniversaries.

Trek.  
often called Carole.



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