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Adele To Play Dusty? (#p133727)

by **darren2722** » Fri Sep 27, 2013 6:22 am

Mmmmmm. [http://www.google.com/url?q=http://www. ... aFbB2JBaLw \(http://www.google.com /url?q=http://www.broadwayworld.com/bwwmovies/article/Adele-to-Star-as-Dusty-Springfield-on-the-Big-Screen-20130926&ct=ga&cd=MTY2NTcxNzY5MjQxNjM1Njg3NzI&cad=CAEYAA&usg=AFQjCNFXTFCQj6zS6OLYHkQaFbB2JBaLw\)](http://www.google.com/url?q=http://www. ... aFbB2JBaLw (http://www.google.com /url?q=http://www.broadwayworld.com/bwwmovies/article/Adele-to-Star-as-Dusty-Springfield-on-the-Big-Screen-20130926&ct=ga&cd=MTY2NTcxNzY5MjQxNjM1Njg3NzI&cad=CAEYAA&usg=AFQjCNFXTFCQj6zS6OLYHkQaFbB2JBaLw)

I think the full article may be in today's Daily Mail. Not 100% sure though. 🤔🤔

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Re: Adele To Play Dusty? (#p133728)

by **Zoey** » Fri Sep 27, 2013 6:27 am

Adele? Really?! No disrespect to Adele because she rules, but really?!

I hope at least one of these productions follows through.

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Re: Adele To Play Dusty? (#p133734)

by **Dotty86** » Fri Sep 27, 2013 7:05 am

Hmmm indeed. Thanks Darren. Here is the link for the article in the Daily Mail

[http://www.dailymail.co.uk/tvshowbiz/article-2434284/BAZ-BAMIGBOYE-Is-Adele-wishin-hopin-star-Dusty.html \(http://www.dailymail.co.uk/tvshowbiz/article-2434284/BAZ-BAMIGBOYE-Is-Adele-wishin-hopin-star-Dusty.html\)](http://www.dailymail.co.uk/tvshowbiz/article-2434284/BAZ-BAMIGBOYE-Is-Adele-wishin-hopin-star-Dusty.html (http://www.dailymail.co.uk/tvshowbiz/article-2434284/BAZ-BAMIGBOYE-Is-Adele-wishin-hopin-star-Dusty.html))

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Re: Adele To Play Dusty? (#p133751)

by **daydreamer** » Fri Sep 27, 2013 8:52 am

I don't believe a word of it 🤔 First we had extremely tall and thin Nichole Kidman and now tall and fuller figured Adele. How about a small and petite one 😊

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Re: Adele To Play Dusty? (#p133754)

by **karen** » Fri Sep 27, 2013 9:08 am

Does seem strange as Carole said one extreme to the other 🙄 , just can't seem to make their minds up , or get it right .. 😊

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Re: Adele To Play Dusty? (#p133756)

by **wally** » Fri Sep 27, 2013 10:19 am

Agree....will believe it when I see it!

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Re: Adele To Play Dusty? (#p133770)

by **donellac** » Fri Sep 27, 2013 11:55 am

I really struggle with this. Can't stand the idea of *anyone* trying to play Dusty!

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Re: Adele To Play Dusty? (#p133777)

by **Cas19** » Fri Sep 27, 2013 12:31 pm

Not impressed with the idea really.

Casx

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Re: Adele To Play Dusty? (#p133786)

by **allherfaces** » Fri Sep 27, 2013 1:30 pm

Here's the Daily Mail article:

<http://www.dailymail.co.uk/tvshowbiz/article-2434284/Is-Adele-wishin-hopin-star-Dusty-Springfield.html> (http://www.dailymail.co.uk/tvshowbiz/article-2434284/Is-Adele-wishin-hopin-star-Dusty-Springfield.html)

Adele is a great talent but I can't see her as Dusty. Having witnessed a tall plump Dusty in a stage production recently, I'll repeat what I said to Neil that night: Wrong, wrong, WRONG.

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Re: Adele To Play Dusty? (#p133799)

by **Rob** » Fri Sep 27, 2013 2:56 pm

http://www.contactmusic.com/story/adele-...rt_3883133 (http://www.contactmusic.com/story/adele-in-talks-to-play-dusty-springfieldreport_3883133)

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Re: Adele To Play Dusty? (#p133801)

by **dusty nut** » Fri Sep 27, 2013 2:58 pm

Interesting article Rob thank you. "early days". Will wait and see what happens. 🙄

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Re: Adele To Play Dusty? (#p133808)

by **Hampson** » Fri Sep 27, 2013 3:59 pm

I really think this requires a good actress, and whilst I don't want to take anything away from Adele, she is a singer, and we have all agreed many times that only Dusty's voice will suffice. I'm sorry but they really need to ask us first. LOL

Wend

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Re: Adele To Play Dusty? (#p133814)

by **pat.dunham** » Fri Sep 27, 2013 4:29 pm

Agree with Wend. My thoughts , Adele may be able to sing (not a Dusty)- but can she act?. If this bio has to be made get a good actress miming to Dusty.

We've been here before and will no doubt return when the Sandie Toksvig VW version is cast.

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Re: Adele To Play Dusty? (#p133815)

by **boztiggs** » Fri Sep 27, 2013 4:32 pm

Without meaning to be rude, after all I do love Adele, but Dusty was the size of one of Adeles legs, its ridiculous

Neil 😊

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Re: Adele To Play Dusty? (#p133819)

by **Brian** » Fri Sep 27, 2013 4:42 pm

It was reported in the Daily Mail!.....says it all really

Brian

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Re: Adele To Play Dusty? (#p133849)

by **jeffery** » Sat Sep 28, 2013 2:19 am

boztiggs wrote:

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Neil 😊



No way Jose' !

I really like Adele, but... she just doesn't fit the formula. In fact I would hate having the burden of

casting the part in said movie. I honestly can't think of anyone who could successfully fill the roll.

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Re: Adele To Play Dusty? (#p133852)

by **Sweetbaby** » Sat Sep 28, 2013 3:24 am



Fill the *roll* Jeffery? I guess you had Adele on the brain when you wrote that - I'm referring of course to her first #1 hit *Rolling in the Deep*.

For myself - I'll be able to handle it if this latest project goes on the Dusty biopic scrap heap. Physically - I'll just say my opinion has already been expressed here. Vocally - while critics have I think likened their "vibe" I don't think anyone's detected a resemblance between the two singers. And while Adele might prove to have a wellspring of natural acting ability I think it's more likely she'll have to coast in any role on her own personality: while I'd consider both very down-to-earth, Dusty always evinced immense gravitas while Adele seems - & I wish I could think of a neutral adjective as I've no wish to be insulting - rather common.

As has been mentioned the project is in its earliest stage: my understanding is that Adele really had no familiarity with Dusty til critics reviewing **19** started comparing the two & with all she's had on her plate I doubt if Adele's had much opportunity since to brush up on her Springfield. Chances are Adele will now make a concentrated effort to familiarize herself with Dusty, & I'd like to think she'll only see the project through if - whatever anyone else might think - she feels she can do the subject justice. And as the purported focus on the film is on the making of DIM at least there's no reason for concern over any sensationalizing of Dusty's LA years.

Last edited by **Sweetbaby** ([./memberlist.php?mode=viewprofile&u=171](#)) on Mon Nov 17, 2014 11:42 pm, edited 1 time in total.

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Re: Adele To Play Dusty? (#p133857)

by **IWannaBeABluesSinger** » Sat Sep 28, 2013 4:56 am

The descriptions of this project all refer to the period of her life when she "moved to Memphis" which they will dramatize. That tells me how "real" this will be because Dusty was in Memphis for less than two weeks, during which time she pretty much just wandered around the studio humming and trying not to give them any usable vocals, and then she inexpcably fell out of a tree. To turn that into a full- length movie will require a lot of dramatic license and inevitably fictionalization.

Maggie

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Re: Adele To Play Dusty? (#p133937)

by **Hampson** » Sat Sep 28, 2013 1:20 pm

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Yep that is another good point, will they ever be able to teach Adele to speak like Dusty, cause whilst she has a great singing voice, her speaking voice and accent leaves much to be desired.

Wend

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Re: Adele To Play Dusty? (#p134006)

by **Carole R.** » Sat Sep 28, 2013 9:57 pm

When I first saw this I had to check the calendar, thinking it might be April 1st. 🙄

I agree with all the views above and whilst I think it unlikely that we'll ever approve of anyone who is picked to play Dusty I really don't think that Adele fits the bill in any way whatsoever.

I can only assume that Adele's name has come up as she has been 'flavour of the last few years' and the thinking is to get bums on seats.

This is not a good motive from the point of view of Dusty's fans, and would be purely a money making exercise on the part of the film industry. 🙄

Anyway.. I don't think that Adele will take the role, she seems to be a level headed person and whilst she's a great singer, I doubt she considers herself to be any kind of actress.

So in my opinion, it's yet another non starter. 🙄

Carole R xx

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Re: Adele To Play Dusty? (#p134010)

by **fobakawa** » Sun Sep 29, 2013 5:10 am

When I turned on my computer this evening this story was on the news page. I can't picture Adele as Dusty either but I can't think of anybody right now that would be able to carry it off. As far as Nicole Kidman, don't get me started...I don't think she is good looking and I don't think that she can act. I'm sorry if you're a Nicole fan but I was disgusted when she was picked to play Samantha in the "Bewitched" movie. I adored Elizabeth Montgomery and nobody could ever do her justice playing her part in my opinion. I also think Kristin Chenoweth is way too annoying to play Dusty. I hope I haven't offended anybody with my two cents 😊

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Re: Adele To Play Dusty? (#p134014)

by **st louis blues** » Sun Sep 29, 2013 6:40 am

I think it's a really stupid idea for several reasons. To focus only on the making of DIM reinforces the idea that Dusty had to come stateside and be tutored by a bunch of older white guys on how to sing R&B. I mean no disrespect to Wexler, Dowd, or Mardin with this statement. However, it seems many writers ignore her U.K. recordings of Soul music, which is one of the reasons Atlantic wanted her on the label. In addition, focusing just on this time period ignores her part in the British invasion, the Motown special, South Africa, etc.

I like Adele, but like many of you I agree she does not in any way physically resemble Dusty. For a successful movie to be made would require a good script, the right director, and someone with acting chops. Dusty was such a complex person that a movie about her would demand this if the script is to do justice to her story. I think it's possible to find someone to fit the bill. Instead of looking at famous actresses perhaps a talented young stage actress might be the ticket.

Another objection to Adele is that we know Adele will be expected to sing Dusty's songs. The end result will be a poor imitation of those great recordings and younger audience members thinking that SOAPM and IOWTBWY are Adele songs.



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Re: Adele To Play Dusty? (#p134023)

by **Jackflash** » Sun Sep 29, 2013 7:41 am

Is she really serious about losing weight? She always told the press that she was happy with her body...

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Re: Adele To Play Dusty? (#p134056)

by **pat.dunham** » Sun Sep 29, 2013 12:33 pm

Not having seen Adele perform I watched some clips. Yes ,she is a good song writer and has a voice but she doesn't seem to have much presence of personality on stage. There is only so much a director can do and it has to be inside the actress for him to get it out, I'm uncertain as to whether Adele has that something.

That said I think a possible candidate for the part, should it ever materialize, is Emma Watson.

She is young (23) attractive has experience in films (Hermione in all Harry Potter films). Not sure if she can sing, but that's incidental, her birthday April 15th! Pic not unlike my avatar!

Emma-Watson-0612-11[1].jpg

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Re: Adele To Play Dusty? (#p134070)

by **Zoey** » Sun Sep 29, 2013 1:12 pm

I've never thought about Emma Watson! She's quintessential English, elegant and has a vulnerability about her. I don't know about portraying Dusty in America, but she might be good as Dusty in the mid sixties. 😊

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Re: Adele To Play Dusty? (#p134105)

by **pat.dunham** » Sun Sep 29, 2013 2:54 pm

Read more about Emma on FB. She would have some empathy with Dusty, two enigmatic Aries.

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Re: Adele To Play Dusty? (#p134111)

by **darren2722** » Sun Sep 29, 2013 3:48 pm

Thanks for the Links Georgie, Nancy & Rob. 😊 Interesting thoughts everyone. 😊 Good call Pat re Emma: the accent and acting would presumably be better with Ms Watson, and agree with Richard & Wend on that score. 👍 Also totally agree with SLB and Maggie 🙄 : why does the focus have to be so heavily on the Memphis period when Dusty had already made three classic English Soul Albums, she had, had the Drama of the South Africa episode, A big part in Motown's success, Dusty's struggle (and Success) to get WHAT she wanted and to get WHERE she wanted in a male dominated world, to get what she wanted sound wise in a English studio with her virtually producing herself, The Buddy Rich scenario, & Dusty and the Springfields beating the Beatles to the US Charts, These and many other episodes happened before Memphis. 🙄

On the plus side Adele being involved from a Dusty "revival" point of view would be better with surely more people listening to Dusty's back catalogue if Adele did get the part, that's the only advantage I personally can think of at this present moment of time, But than I never wanted Dusty 's story being told on the Big Screen on the first place, but if it *must* be told at least get it right.



Have they used/ going to use Ray Connolly's script as a first draft/second draft or has it been completely discarded in favor of a Memphis friendly script? At least with Mr Connolly on board there was a chance of a Fair and decent script/story. If this draft has been mangled and chewed up by a Dozen screenwriters who knows what story we are going to get. 🙄👉👈

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Re: Adele To Play Dusty? (#p134116)

by **edjames** » Sun Sep 29, 2013 5:23 pm

This news item gets stranger and stranger. This website article refers to Dusty as a "Country Music Icon"!

[http://www.abc2news.com/dpp/entertainme ... t_03190928](http://www.abc2news.com/dpp/entertainme...t_03190928) (http://www.abc2news.com/dpp/entertainment/celebrity/Adele-in-talks-to-play-Dusty-Springfield-report_03190928)

Don't these folks check anything and verify facts? Shame!

As for Adele, well, if this project comes to fruition, I wish her luck. I hope somebody gives her a screen test to see if she can handle it.

I would remind all LTD folks that this is another in a long line of Dusty-bio related projects that have never gone past the initial phase. Scripts have been written, actresses have stepped up to the plate willing to play the role but in the end they've all faded away. (Thank God! Some of those gals were so very wrong for the role!)

I, too am perplexed over the DIM storyline background. As previously mentioned, Dusty's insecurities got the better of her and she hightailed it outta there only to record her vocals in NYC later on. DIM is one of her greatest recordings, no matter where it was recorded, and although a catchy hook for a storyline, the real facts make it rather dull. My guess is not to look for a script that follows any sort of factual account and the script writer/director will undoubtedly add a fantasy dramatic spin to the story!!!! Oh how I wish there was a Dusty Springfield Foundation that policed all these projects and had the "rights" to Dusty's recordings, bio, image and name!!!

ED

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Re: Adele To Play Dusty? (#p134120)

by **IWannaBeABluesSinger** » Sun Sep 29, 2013 7:13 pm

darren2722 wrote:

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No Darren, this is a completely different production company. The project Ray was involved in was an adaptation of Sharon Davis' book.

Maggie

Last edited by **IWannaBeABluesSinger** ([./memberlist.php?mode=viewprofile&u=482](http://www.abc2news.com/dpp/entertainment/celebrity/Adele-in-talks-to-play-Dusty-Springfield-report_03190928)) on Mon Sep 30, 2013 1:43 am, edited 1 time in total.

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Re: Adele To Play Dusty? (#p134121)

by **IWannaBeABluesSinger** » Sun Sep 29, 2013 7:24 pm

edjames wrote:

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and had the "rights" to Dusty's recordings, bio, image and name!!!

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Because of the laws regarding the likeness and image of departed celebrities that Priscilla Presley got passed there are companies that do exactly that. For a percentage they will promote and protect the celebrity's copyrights throughout the world.

It usually results in millions of dollars a year in royalties, and given Dusty's bequest of the bulk of her estate be given to charity it's outrageous that her executor's, her brother, and or her beneficiaries haven't taken that step.

Maggie

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Re: Adele To Play Dusty? (#p134122)

by **darren2722** » Sun Sep 29, 2013 7:58 pm

IWannaBeABluesSinger wrote:

darren2722 wrote:

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Maggie

Thanks Maggie. 🙌👍 Sorry If I confused everyone. 🙄

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Re: Adele To Play Dusty? (#p134123)

by **boztiggs** » Sun Sep 29, 2013 8:32 pm

The subject crops up so often i dont know if ive already said this or not lol. Regarding any potential film, presuming the script was good enough, it really would take just one amazing actress to do it justice, and there are hundreds out there who arent even famous, it would without saying have to be mimed, and there is a kind of precedent, you only have to look at the triumphant and amazing performance of angela basset in the film Whats love got to do with it, she got right inside tina, and from the opening shot of the film, where i thought how ridiculous, to the end of the film where id

forgotten it was actually a film and not real life, and she did that, angela bassett. So even though we all differ in our thoughts and opinions about whether there should be a film or not, or who should play it etc etc, if there ever is, that actress has to be the one to carry the whole thing. And if, whoever decides eventually to take the film on, then they need to listen to the fans, our story would sell way more films than any salacious crap would. Just a thought

Neil 😊

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Re: Adele To Play Dusty? (#p134130)

by **Dotty86** » Sun Sep 29, 2013 11:06 pm

As a couple of people have said, the only benefit of this would be that it would introduce Dusty to a wider audience, with a downside being that a 'younger' audience may not fully appreciate the original, our Dusty.

I hope the film doesn't go ahead but at the same time I would like to see Dusty featured more prominently in general to bring her to a wider audience. I don't know what the answer is to be honest! 😞

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Re: Adele To Play Dusty? (#p134137)

by **Zoey** » Mon Sep 30, 2013 6:14 am

This might sound silly but I think to cast the role of Dusty, the actor needs to be a fan of Dusty. That way they can appreciate the importance of the role and would take more joy in learning the accent and mannerisms etc.

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Re: Adele To Play Dusty? (#p134174)

by **trek007** » Mon Sep 30, 2013 10:13 am

I take all these projects with a pinch of salt these days, it all seems to be just rumours.

I can't for the life of me see Adele as Dusty.

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Re: Adele To Play Dusty? (#p134202)

by **viper** » Mon Sep 30, 2013 12:03 pm

I've been quietly following this developing story. I can't see Adele as Dusty either. Wrong voice, wrong personality (or lack of), wrong visually (*cough*, you know what I mean). 😞

Some good points in the comments.

I to think the person taking the role should be a dusty fan. It seems just plain unthinkable that anyone who isn't should even be considered for the role.

I like the Emma Watson idea. Not completely sure she would be right, on the singing grounds, but slap the right make up n' wig on her and I can see her carrying off the visual aspect. Experienced acting skills definately a plus.

Script wise, I actually see two films here:

"..... it seems many writers ignore her U.K. recordings of Soul music, which is one of the reasons Atlantic wanted her on the label. In addition, focusing just on this time period ignores her part in the British invasion, the Motown special, South Africa, etc."

Of course I'm a little bias, but I see the first film starting in The Cavern. A re-enactment of the legendary lunch time moment when The Springfields were watching The Beatles. Dusty's evolving solo career as a result, South Africa, Motown special, The Dusty Springfield TV Show, and ending with the aftermath of 'D.I.M.'

Second film should pick up a little before the Pet Shop Boys and 'Scandal' film, with it's obvious conclusion.

That's my two peneth. 🙄

I can think of at least one person, not famous but well known, who might be better and who has some of the life experiences of Dusty, is a fan, has the vocal ability already down, can carry the look successfully, and even comes from the same part of the world, stage experienced but not an actress. So obvious to most of you I'd guess over looked. Think about it. 😊

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Re: Adele To Play Dusty? (#p134205)

by **villagegirl** » Mon Sep 30, 2013 12:16 pm

I agree with so much of what has been said here that it's pointless reiterating all the great comments.

I'm not a fan of Adele as I have said before. I know so many of you are, but I have always admired her determination not to be dictated to when it comes to her body image. I always thought she was a good role model for young girls who feel they fall short in the thin obsessed culture which quite frankly is a poison to adolescents today.

She could not play Dusty for all the reasons stated so eloquently by you all.

I think maybe an unknown would be a good idea as someone has suggested. Maybe an open audition to find a new talent who would do justice to Dusty and her music is the way to go.

Viper, I am scratching my head here. Are you talking about Katy Setterfield (if I've got her name right!)

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Re: Adele To Play Dusty? (#p134208)

by **viper** » Mon Sep 30, 2013 12:23 pm

villagegirl wrote:

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Re: Adele To Play Dusty? (#p134211)

by **villagegirl** » Mon Sep 30, 2013 12:28 pm

Hmm..... I'm obviously wrong here. I have to go now but my mind will be a whirling dervish for the rest of the afternoon. I'm going to check in when I get a chance later to see if anyone has come up with the answer!

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Re: Adele To Play Dusty? (#p134239)

by **mnmcv1** » Mon Sep 30, 2013 3:33 pm

I like the idea of Emma Watson. I also thought Sienna Miller would've been another choice that wouldn't have been bad. I'd really like to know what the status on the Connolly scripted project is. The whole thing had been announced with all kinds of bally-hoo, up to the rumours of Sienna taking the role. But after she got pregnant the whole thing died down and I haven't heard a peep since.

I like Adele...but no. It would be stunt casting...and she'd insist on singing.

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Re: Adele To Play Dusty? (#p134317)

by **viper** » Tue Oct 01, 2013 12:31 pm

villagegirl wrote:

Hmm..... I'm obviously wrong here. I have to go now but my mind will be a whirling dervish for the rest of the afternoon. I'm going to check in when I get a chance later to see if anyone has come up with the answer!

Sorry VG, I was playing with you a little. You were right first time. 🤔

I dun'know, like i said, just seems like an obvious candidate. As gloves go, this one would fit a lot more snugly than Adele. What do you think ?

I know if I was on the casting team I'd be looking through all the 'Dusty' acts and 'look-a-like' acts first before looking for 'star' actresses or big name popsters with their problematic ego's, hangers on, and Malcolm McLaren manager types to deal with. Where would you start ?

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Re: Adele To Play Dusty? (#p134319)

by **Cardiff Bluesgirl** » Tue Oct 01, 2013 1:27 pm

well I am gabberflasted at the thought of Adele. 🤔🤔

I like her but she isn't right to do this. 🤔

I don't want to see a film about Dusty with anyone in the role. those things just don't work for me. I saw her for real and that's enough for me, I cant bear the thought of them raking up all the bad

stuff just to sell the blessed thing.

you only have to look at the clips and publicity for the film about Princess Diana to see what they will churn out about Dusty. 😬

I hope Adele sees sense and says no.

I hope all these scripts that are in the air stay there...including the VW one.. 😡

sorry I know some of you think we need a film but if it aint Dusty then it aint Dusty.

I would rather play my dvds and cds than watch any of the people mentioned over the years pretending to be her. it will end up like Monroe, a caricature of who she really was.

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Re: Adele To Play Dusty? (#p134333)

by **fobakawa** » Tue Oct 01, 2013 4:18 pm

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I agree with you Liz. I remembered Dusty from the 60s and then I re-discovered her a few years ago and it has been a lot of fun and some sadness getting to "know" her again. I think, with my limited knowledge, that Dusty was much too complex to be captured on film in 2 hours. I also don't really believe that Dusty would want a film made about her life. She was so guarded about her private life (judging from her interviews) that I just can't see her approving any of these projects. I never got a chance to see her live 🎤 so I am happy with my DVDs, Cds. YouTube and LTD. I have read most of the books about Dusty and have learned a lot but also been very upset at the ones that betrayed her. I know she had problems but I would like to see her remembered for her incredible voice, the great pleasure she gave to so many fans and her great sense of humor. I was/am a big Elvis fan and unfortunately he died on my birthday. I had the thrill of seeing him perform live 4 times and that was enough for me too. For many years after he died I had friends and some family that gave me "Elvis" gifts on my birthday. I never read any of the "tell all" books or watched any of the "insider" videos about the "real" Elvis, I just gave them all away. Dusty was Dusty and there will never be another one so I too hope they just leave it alone.

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Re: Adele To Play Dusty? (#p134352)

by **mnmcv1** » Tue Oct 01, 2013 5:09 pm

I know some of us are of differing opinions on a film (and of course we've been discussing it for years now!); we will have to agree to disagree on that. 😊

Personally I would LOVE to see a film, if properly executed.

I'm fully aware it would not be "Dusty", but the point of it all reaches far beyond that. Not to mention, with that rationale the argument could be made that no biopic of any historical figure should be filmed...EVER.

At least it appears the majority of us are in agreement regarding Adele in the role. I just don't see it working. 🙄

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Re: Adele To Play Dusty? (#p134355)

by [daydreamer](#) » Tue Oct 01, 2013 5:15 pm

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Re: Adele To Play Dusty? (#p134361)

by [mnmcv1](#) » Tue Oct 01, 2013 5:48 pm

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I like that idea, Carole! There have been so many stage productions mounted around Dusty (with greatly varying degrees of talent and success, of course). It would be nice to see something very well done that receives enough critical and commercial attention to make it happen on the big screen. Something written with a bit of an abstract narrative that lets the music tell the story.

Also, a biopic on film doesn't necessarily have to be an ugly, brutal exploitative mess. If you've seen the biopics *De-Lovely* or *Beyond the Sea*, they both told their stories in an artsy, very cinematic way that at times was almost romanticised - no small feat, considering both of the subjects had their share of tragedy in their lives.

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Re: Adele To Play Dusty? (#p134378)

by [Sweetbaby](#) » Tue Oct 01, 2013 8:09 pm



Well as I've posted before I don't think biopics are typically ugly brutal exploitative messes: indeed they try to showcase their subject as appealingly as possible - & the Princess Diana biopic based on its trailer I feel definitely conforms to the latter template. And with all the Dusty biopic projects that have been proposed it's almost an insult to her that none of them's been made! Still I'm not rooting for the Adele vehicle - while Diana Ross didn't look or sound much like Billie Holiday she didn't emphatically not look like her either & Billie's repertoire was one Diana could put across effectively, whereas just as Dusty's vocal prowess wouldn't get optimum showcase on Adele's repertoire I feel the reverse would prove true.

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Re: Adele To Play Dusty? (#p134379)

by **villagegirl** » Tue Oct 01, 2013 9:20 pm

viper wrote:

villagegirl wrote:

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Re: Adele To Play Dusty? (#p134385)

by **viper** » Tue Oct 01, 2013 9:44 pm

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Oooooooh, Kylie ! 🤔👍😊

I do like a bit of Kylie. Blame Nick Cave for corrupting me. 😊😏

Nah, Kylie bless her can/could do a lot of things including singing Dusty songs, as Kylie. 🏭 😊

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Re: Adele To Play Dusty? (#p134512)

by **edjames** » Thu Oct 03, 2013 3:23 am

I don't know about the rest of you but I'm having a great big laugh over these press releases...

This one has Lady Gaga and Taylor Swift involved in the project too!!!!!! (Cilla and Sandie???LOL)

<http://www.thebacklot.com/meme-100213/10/2013/> (<http://www.thebacklot.com/meme-100213/10/2013/>)

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Re: Adele To Play Dusty? (#p134525)

by **pat.dunham** » Thu Oct 03, 2013 7:42 am

God help us, NOT Swift and Gaga as well. I think the wrath of Dusty will manifest itself soon!. This is becoming a project too far and the towel, doughnuts and crockery should be thrown in now.

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Re: Adele To Play Dusty? (#p134549)

by **Zoey** » Thu Oct 03, 2013 8:53 am



I bet they have no idea who Cilla and Sandie are! This is all getting a little bit silly now. 😊

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Re: Adele To Play Dusty? (#p134634)

by **mnmcv1** » Thu Oct 03, 2013 3:24 pm

HUH????

next they'll be reporting they got Kelly Rowland to play Madeline and Rihanna to play Martha Reeves... 😊

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Re: Adele To Play Dusty? (#p134682)

by **Sweetbaby** » Thu Oct 03, 2013 7:14 pm



I think the mentions of Gaga & Taytay are pure rumour & likely arise from some blogger light-heartedly speculating what other current singing stars might be shoe-horned into a film about the 60s Britpop scene. If nothing else, while significant to Dusty as chart rivals neither Cilla nor Sandie figured in Dusty's life in any way that would require their portrayal in a Dusty biopic. And Taylor is already attached to play Joni Mitchell in the Joni/Carly/Carole biopic **Girls Like Us**.

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Re: Adele To Play Dusty? (#p140502)

by **pat.dunham** » Sun Dec 08, 2013 2:12 pm

Just a little clip from Mail on Sunday. Adele has turned down an appearance on X-Factor as she doesn't want speculation as to when her next album will be made. Also she wants another baby, so she could be quite busy in the future. Of course it could be just paper-talk!.

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Re: Adele To Play Dusty? (#p162528)

by **kalvin_stardust** » Sat Nov 15, 2014 9:57 am

I really don't understand how Nicole Kidman or Adele have even been thought of to play Dusty, who next Wesley Snipes? I really look forward to this film if its done well but it doesn't look like its coming anytime soon, I can remember looking for updates on my mobile in work back in 2012. Id LOVE to see someone like Pixie Lott get the part, she can sing, she has a similar look and she is a big fan of Dusty (you can hear her covers of I Only Want To Be With You and Spooky on youtube) it'd be sweet if Dusty was played by someone who loves her music

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Re: Adele To Play Dusty? (#p162661)

by **Cardiff Bluesgirl** » Tue Nov 18, 2014 4:35 pm

Well i like Pixie Lott but sorry to say i think she murdered IOWTBWY. 🤪
makes you realise even more how good Dusty was. 🌟

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Re: Adele To Play Dusty? (#p162706)

by **edjames** » Wed Nov 19, 2014 2:44 pm

In the world of showbiz, "the spin" is everything. Publicists get paid very well to push their clients names into the press to keep up the buzz. These Dusty biopic announcements are short-lived and not necessarily based on all the facts.

There is no doubt that Nicole Kidman and Adele received some sort of script about a Dusty biopic. God knows there are enough of them going around. The first script was in the hands of Madonna and was passed around to several Hollywood actresses. Kristen Chenoweth famously did a big news conference to announce she had been chosen for the role and had photos taken (a la DIM cover) to hype it all. The script languished and she eventually gave up on the project as the producer never followed up on it. Thank God it never saw the light of day. No one was more miscast than poor Kristen in the role!

I would urge all Dusty fans to take these "announcements" with a grain of salt. There have been many Dusty biopic announcements yet we have not seen any results after 15 years.

i cannot speak for Nicole, but she seems to be busy with her marriage to Keith Urban and other projects. Adele? Well her record company put in a tiny blurb in it's annual financial report that Adele's next album will be late in 2015, so she working on that project which will undoubtedly consume much her time in promotion and a possible world tour. She has a lot riding on her next album. Flash in the pan or lasting talent? Motherhood, too, will get in the way.

So, I urge you not to believe everything you read. If, and when, a Dusty biopic is in production (people actually acting, singing and all that jazz recorded on film) you'll hear it here on this site or in a major studio announcement, and I'll be long gone (LOL). Until such time, grit yer teeth!

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Re: Adele To Play Dusty? (#p162810)

by **IWannaBeABluesSinger** » Fri Nov 21, 2014 3:40 pm

The Nicole Kidman project disappeared because just before they were to commence shooting she demanded to do her own singing. The producers lost a lot of money, but thank God they weren't willing to cave in.

Maggie

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Re: Adele To Play Dusty? (#p163043)

by **Sweetbaby** » Thu Nov 27, 2014 2:14 am



I know it's not relevant to the main thrust of this thread but as I did mention the claim that Taylor Swift would play a supporting role in the Adele-helmed Dusty biopic had to be specious as Taylor was committed to playing Joni Mitchell in the filmation of the tri-biography **Girls Like Us** about Joni, Carole King & Carly Simon, I will be bumptious & post here that said filmation has been

scrapped with Joni advising The Sunday Times that she "squelched" the film. Evidently Joni was shown either a script or a blueprint for GLU & told the producer of the planned film: "All you've got is a girl with high cheekbones. It's just a lot of gossip, you don't have the great scenes", with Joni then telling the Times: "There's a lot of nonsense about me in books: assumptions, assumptions, assumptions."

I'm not sure Joni's displeasure actually would have been potent enough to kill the project: I don't know about Carly but I'd be very surprised if Carole would want any biographical project made of whatever quality as it might distract from the Carole King jukebox musical **Beautiful**. Anyway this confirmation of the demise of the GLU film does further corroborate the idea that "no news" is "no film", already indicated by the fate of the umpteen Dusty biopic projects known to be on the scrap heap - where I feel confident the purported Adele vehicle now resides.

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Re: Adele To Play Dusty? (#p163227)

by **Cardiff Bluesgirl** » Mon Dec 01, 2014 11:19 am

Not surprising that Joni Mitchell would want it scrapped, especially with Taylor Swift in the frame



as for Adele ,if you believe the papers then she isnt ready to perform as herself yet,let alone take on the mantle of an icon.

as i always say, lets hope Dusty is left alone, noone will do her justice.

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