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Annie Lennox's Top 10 "Women With Soul" for Rolling Stone

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Annie Lennox's Top 10 "Women With Soul" for Rolling Stone (#p45800)

by **reng36** » Mon Jan 17, 2011 11:58 pm

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1. "I Say a Little Prayer" Aretha Franklin, 1968
It's transcendent. When I first heard this, I sang it over and over and couldn't stop.
2. "I Close My Eyes and Count to Ten" Dusty Springfield, 1968
Her voice had such subtle nuances.
3. "Close to You" Carpenters, 1970
Karen's singing was so stylized but so natural.
4. "Do You Know the Way to San Jose" Dionne Warwick, 1968
Dionne Warwick's sound is like coffee with cream: smooth, but with an edge.
5. "Baby Love" The Supremes, 1964
So uplifting, and their harmonies couldn't be beat.
6. "Dancing in the Streets" Martha Reeves and the Vandellas, 1964
Like honey on a stick.
7. "Farewell to Tarwathie" Judy Collins, 1970
It's about hunting whales, and it's chilling.
8. "Downtown" Petula Clark, 1965
It makes downtown sound like a mythical wonderland.
9. "Anyone Who Had a Heart" Cilla Black, 1964
10. "(There's) Always Something There to Remind Me" Sandie Shaw, 1964
Those choruses build up and just take off.

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Re: Annie Lennox's Top 10 "Women With Soul" for Rolling Ston (#p45824)

by **Carole R.** » Tue Jan 18, 2011 11:51 am

Well Annie's Top Ten certainly gets a great big 🍷 from me.

I love all her choices, with the exception of the Judy Collins one.. which I don't think I ever heard...and I think I mighta chosen a different track from Dionne..DYKTWTSJ is a little bit 'bubblegum' for my taste.

Great song choice from Annie and good, interesting comments.. 🤔

Thankyou Renge36!! 🍷

CR xx

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Re: Annie Lennox's Top 10 "Women With Soul" for Rolling Ston (#p45834)

by **SweMaria** » Tue Jan 18, 2011 1:57 pm

Interesting to read about Annie Lennox's musical taste! 😊

Thank you, Renge36! 🍷

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Re: Annie Lennox's Top 10 "Women With Soul" for Rolling Ston (#p45835)

by **Corinna** » Tue Jan 18, 2011 2:39 pm

I subscribe to all her choices, too. (I've never heard that whale song either, though. Need to check it out.) Immaculate taste! 😊

Thanks renge36 for posting!

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Re: Annie Lennox's Top 10 "Women With Soul" for Rolling Ston (#p45839)

by **trek007** » Tue Jan 18, 2011 3:35 pm

Nice choices...not sure about our Cilla having soul though!!

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Re: Annie Lennox's Top 10 "Women With Soul" for Rolling Ston (#p45843)

by **Brian** » Tue Jan 18, 2011 4:47 pm

Whilst agreeing generally with Annie's 'choices', I think that at least half of them are 'pop' music - not 'soul'.

How anyone can call 'Downtown' by Petula as 'soul' is beyond me. Not saying it's not a GREAT pop record!

Brian

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Re: Annie Lennox's Top 10 "Women With Soul" for Rolling Ston (#p45846)

by **daydreamer** » Tue Jan 18, 2011 5:19 pm

I must admit that the "soul" theme puzzles me too. I know that soul doesn't have to be black but I

just don't feel it in a lot of Annie's choices. In fact if I'd had to guess who she would have chosen, I think I would have been right on about 5. I make no secret of the fact that I can't stand Cilla's voice but she did make some good, as Brian says, pop records. Dusty gave AWHAH soul and Dionne gave the same to Always Something There to Remind Me, I don't hear it in the chosen versions.

Another list that popped up today, NME 51 Greatest debut albums of the last 51 years. Dusty wins with A Girl Called Dusty for 1964.

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Re: Annie Lennox's Top 10 "Women With Soul" for Rolling Ston (#p45847)

by **allherfaces** » Tue Jan 18, 2011 5:21 pm

I know that Judy Collins song well, and I wouldn't describe it as soul, nor even pop. But it is haunting/chilling.

Good to see Dusty at no. 2

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Re: Annie Lennox's Top 10 "Women With Soul" for Rolling Ston (#p45850)

by **Cardiff Bluesgirl** » Tue Jan 18, 2011 5:26 pm

big cheers for " a girl called Dusty" being such a big hit, I think we all agree with that. 😊
as for Annie and her soul list. its women with soul, so thats a bit different to soul,if thats what they mean 😏

anyway I like most of those but agree there are far better songs to choose from for Dionne for a start. and where is Gladys 😏

I think its a weird list and doesnt really flow for any sort of theme, so I dont know what to make of it really.

I cant see how she could choose Cilla Black either, she was given some huge hit songs to record but I dont think she has soul at all. 😏

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Re: Annie Lennox's Top 10 "Women With Soul" for Rolling Ston (#p45851)

by **Richard** » Tue Jan 18, 2011 5:32 pm

Well Annie certainly has good taste! I've got all of these except Judy Collins which I haven't heard yet. She chose a great Dusty track. One of my faves, but to choose just one of Dusty's seems an impossible task. I love I close my eyes, certainly in my top 5 Dusty tracks. Rich.

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Re: Annie Lennox's Top 10 "Women With Soul" for Rolling Ston (#p45853)

by **Richard** » Tue Jan 18, 2011 5:41 pm

I've just checked out the NME top 51 debuts. Dusty's name looks great among all those rock bands which the NME normally favour. Good on the NME for placing Dusty's classic debut as the best of 1964, beating The Rolling Stones and The Kinks debut among many others. Rich.

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Re: Annie Lennox's Top 10 "Women With Soul" for Rolling Ston (#p45855)

by **Tommy Stevens** » Tue Jan 18, 2011 5:58 pm

Richard wrote:

Good on the NME for placing Dusty's classic debut as the best of 1964, beating The Rolling Stones and The Kinks debut among many others. Rich.

Well, the Kinks album just wasn't that good. And I say that as a HUGE fan.

Didn't anyone else notice who wrote half the songs on the list?

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Re: Annie 10 "Women With Soul" for Rolling Stone (#p45857)

by **thc@c** » Tue Jan 18, 2011 6:27 pm

Yes, quite interesting and five Bacharach/David compositions. I'm also confused about the "soul" thing as I wouldn't immediately (or even after consideration for that matter!) connect the likes of Cilla, Sandie and Petula as your typical "soul" type singers though good in their own spheres of pop musicians. Of course, as Madeline B has commented on many occasions, soul doesn't necessarily mean a singer is black - just that he/she sings from the heart and maybe those other ladies do - maybe I shouldn't judge!?

I do like Annie Lennox - always have and, being a fan of Dusty's, she obviously has good taste!

Henry

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Re: Annie Lennox's Top 10 "Women With Soul" for Rolling Ston (#p45860)

by **humboldt** » Tue Jan 18, 2011 7:08 pm

Annie is referring to women whom she thinks have soul which is totally different to woman who are soul singers. I admire her choices and like all bar one.

This is the haunting Judy Collins track.

[youtube]<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qV29xK2xyZ4>[/youtube]

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Re: Annie Lennox's Top 10 "Women With Soul" for Rolling Ston (#p45864)

by **reng36** » Tue Jan 18, 2011 7:53 pm

I just heard Aretha Franklin's version of Say a Little Prayer and it's great. I am somewhat familiar with Judy Collins' songs and I have to say that "My Father" is much more haunting to me [thhttp://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_Enqj2ojicw](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_Enqj2ojicw) than "Farewell to Tarwathie".

Renge

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Re: Annie Lennox's Top 10 "Women With Soul" for Rolling Ston (#p45876)

by **mnmcv1** » Tue Jan 18, 2011 9:02 pm

great list overall, and I understand (I think) Annie's criteria for selection.

But I will still go to my grave thinking the definitive recording of AWHAH is Dionne Warwick's. 🎵

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