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Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p48969)

by **Corinna** » Mon Feb 21, 2011 1:41 pm

This is wonderful, wonderful news, Douggie! I'm SO happy you were able to give us some names - and some great ones, too! 🙌 Thank you for the update! 😊

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Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p48970)

by **trek007** » Mon Feb 21, 2011 1:42 pm

Hi Douggie,

Thank you for the information regarding some of the artists who will be on the show...I for one feel better for knowing this. 😊

Having bought some tickets I now feel more positive.

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Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p48972)

by **Carole R.** » Mon Feb 21, 2011 2:01 pm

Hi Douggie, thanks for this information,

I now feel like we're coming out of the darkness and into the light!!.. 🙌

Glad I got my ticket. 😊 😊

CR xx

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Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p48973)

by **karen** » Mon Feb 21, 2011 2:47 pm

Yes Douggie thank you so much for this... 🙌 🎵

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Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p48978)

by **daydreamer** » Mon Feb 21, 2011 4:52 pm

Good for those who have bought tickets to know the names of some of the acts now. Paul Gambacini is a fan and excellent at pulling shows together, I remember how he did the Dusty tribute at the Mermaid Theatre, it'll be interesting to see how Dusty's story is told in relation to the acts performing on stage. Dusty must somehow be part of the

programme I presume, in film or whatever. I see Mike Mansfield is filming (for DVD too?), so at least those who can't get there should at least be able to catch it later.

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Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p48982)

by **edjames** » Mon Feb 21, 2011 5:59 pm

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(I know, I am currently involved in a "soon-to-be" Broadway musical about the life of Freddie Mercury, and his estate, much like that of Elvis, is extremely cautious about releasing the rights to his music and bio.)

That said. First and foremost, I am a Dusty fan. Have been for over 47 years. I am fortunate enough to have the time, money, and love of Dusty to try and be at as many Dusty functions as I can. I look forward to seeing everyone this year at DDay, The RAH Concert, and perhaps (I'm still mulling it over..) the plaque ceremony!!!!

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Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p49009)

by **Douggie** » Tue Feb 22, 2011 12:36 am

Carole R. wrote:


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CR xx

Hi Carole

I was told I had this effect.. 

LOL Douggie xx

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Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p49011)

by **Douggie** » Tue Feb 22, 2011 1:38 am

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Hi Ed.

Thanks for your support. As you will see from some of my other posts that we were met with

all sorts of problems. One being an email from a certain person saying that we had to have clearance

from Dusty's Estate which baffled me. I knew that she never had an estate set up when she passed, and so should this certain person.

It was of course one of the things we had to double check just in case there was an estate.

I was pretty sure there wasn't which I was proven right on.

This led to other situations, but we won't go into these here and now.

The point being there is no estate.

That is why people can and do sadly what they want with any thing Dusty.

However this is being looked at now.

On the other question yes The Echoes did have a name change. Well not really!!

It was mainly for publicity for a concert we were doing not with Dusty but Lulu.

The Monkees came to London to do several concert a Wembley Stadium.

Lulu was the support act. We had been doing lots of work with Lulu so this

was one of the concerts. We were of course known as Dusty's group The Echoes.

Before these concerts I had broken my right ankle roller skating (one of the things I did at the time) so I had a plaster cast on it. The Echoes were very busy so I still had to work with this cast. We were doing a lot of touring with other acts and most of these acts signed their autographs on my plaster cast. So I had the Stones, Beatles, Searchers, Dusty, Lulu tons of others.

Dusty's publicity manager Keith Goodwin came up with a plan for this plaster cast. What he came up with was to advertise that The Echoes were changing their name. What you had to do was come up with a new more modern name for The Echoes. The Prize was this plaster cast with all the autographs on it plus two tickets for the Monkees concert. They were huge then so tickets were at a premium and hard to get. There was a huge response to this competition as it was advertised for about a month or two. The winner was picked a week before the concert got the tickets and the plaster cast and was very happy. We then did the concerts as "Epiphocal Phringe". Not sure if it's spelt right but that was the name. It was different from the norm so we chose it. That was the only time it was used. Went back to The Echoes after that.. I have wondered over the years where is my old plaster cast???

Cheers Douggie

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Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p49014)

by **st louis blues** » Tue Feb 22, 2011 3:55 am

Douggie, thanks for the info. Now I REALLY wish I could be in the U.K. for this. I would love to hear Noel Gallagher. I'm a huge Oasis fan and I know Noel admires Burt B. so I assume he might perform one of Burt's songs which Dusty recorded. I cannot believe some of the talent assembled. As someone who has lost family members to cancer I really hope they are able to raise a lot of money for the charity. Has there been any talk of filming this concert for broadcast or for a possible DVD? Anyway, thanks for keeping us posted and thanks for all the support you have shown Dusty as a friend and as a musician. 🙌

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Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p49039)

by **Douggie** » Tue Feb 22, 2011 12:27 pm

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Hi st louis blues

I wish that everyone could come to the concert that would be great for the charity.

I am looking forward to it also.

There are more artists to come which will be an added incentive for those who haven't got tickets yet.

For those that cannot make it there Mike Mansfield a very good friend to Dusty and myself will be recording the whole thing. I don't think it will go live to air, but I think that a DVD will be released later and the money from this also goes to the Charity.

It is hoped that many will be sold as an ongoing source of money for the charity.

I know that lots of people do copies and we hope that this doesn't happen as the charity's will miss out on the money meant for them. We also hope it continues to sell for many years to come.

Thanks for asking. 😊

Cheers Douggie

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Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p49045)

by **allherfaces** » Tue Feb 22, 2011 2:11 pm

My thanks to you too, Douggie 😊 . There are definitely some performers there I'd love to see. Can't wait to see who else will be added.

Look forward to meeting you.

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Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p49100)

by **paula** » Wed Feb 23, 2011 3:02 am

thank you Douggie for providing us with some of the names that will be participating in the RAH show. I think it really provides the folks who purchased tickets a sigh of relief...to just know that there REALLY were performers lined up this show. 😊 It looks to be a BIG week of Dusty..looking forward to it all.

Now, we'll need to change some flight plans and add a few extra nights to our itinerary



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Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p49280)

by **marianopr** » Fri Feb 25, 2011 5:13 pm

Hello all,

Is the Lineup for the RAH concert 100% confirmed? Is it posted anywhere else? The RAH site has not been updated with the list yet.

Thanks!

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Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p49296)

by **Douggie** » Sat Feb 26, 2011 3:06 am

Hi

I did say that I would tell her loving fans when I could first.

Publicity for this concert doesn't start until March.

The Names I have given have been confirmed as far as my information goes. There are other artist to be added also. So the list I gave are the ones known to me at this time.

They have not been posted anyway apart from a couple of fan Web sites.

The RAH site probably won't do it until the proper publicity starts.

Douggie

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Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p49489)

by **Cardiff Bluesgirl** » Mon Feb 28, 2011 3:51 pm

thanks Douggie for the info. I did see on Simons site that he and Madeline wont be appearing which seems a shame 😞 I suppose some more names to come??

I am still hoping for some Tamla folks, maybe Martha and it would have been good if Burt could have been there too. I am still hopeful that the PSBs will appear with our wonderful Dust on the big screen, singing along with them, and us of course. 😊

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Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p49537)

by **Douggie** » Tue Mar 01, 2011 2:57 am

Cardiff Bluesgirl wrote:

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Hi Cardiff Bluesgirl

I am also disappointed that they are not on the show, but it was a decision that was made.

I am lead to believe they were asked.

Quite a few artists have been asked and many have declined for one reason or another. You need to read some of my earlier posts to maybe get a better idea.

There are still two months before the concert and new names will be coming forward. I do not want to go into pros and cons at this time..

Douggie

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Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p49800)

by **trek007** » Thu Mar 03, 2011 4:29 pm

The RAH site has now put some artists on the concert advert and all the area of seating have been opened up.

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Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p50358)

by **Cardiff Bluesgirl** » Tue Mar 08, 2011 3:43 pm

I see from Simon that Lulu has now been added to the list. I hope there will be Martha or someone from motown and I still hope for PSBs or some big name as this is an expensive week, travelling back and fore to London and staying over. its such a shame that Madeline and Simon arent appearing, they have been linked to Dusty for such a long time. I am still unsure about actually going even though I have tickets as its not the list of people I was hoping for at all. 😞

just afraid that if I dont go some surprise guest will turn out to be one of my favs 🙄

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Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p50359)

by **mnmcv1** » Tue Mar 08, 2011 3:59 pm

i just noticed Lulu was added! I'm so excited!!!!

i did notice Lisa Stansfield is not on the list; i do hope she's in the final show. But all in all, still very exciting. 😊

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Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p50529)

by **Cardiff Bluesgirl** » Thu Mar 10, 2011 10:55 am

I saw lulu a few times in the 60s when she was on multiple acts tours as they often were then. I did see her a few years ago in Cardiff as she opened the show for Elton John. I have to say she was really good and had us all singing along with her, especially when she did "shout" 🤪

I dont know what she will want to sing of Dustys amybe if Martha isnt there she could do "dancing in the street"

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Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p50611)

by **trek007** » Thu Mar 10, 2011 5:06 pm

I saw Lulu too when she was on before Elton, this was in Coventry!!

I think she would make a good job of Middle Of Nowhere, I'll Try Anything, Little By Little.

Good on her for giving up her time for Charity...though she hasn't as yet been added to the Official RAH site.

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Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p51579)

by **trek007** » Sat Mar 19, 2011 1:50 pm

I was half watching the Midlands news last night at 6.25pm...when Dusty came on!! 🤖
🤖

Obviously my attention improved, it was to do with Matthew Jones rehearsing his choir for RAH ..they were singing Son Of A Preacherman.

Then we had 3 performances of Dusty singing it too.

The reporter talked about how great she was and what a good night it will be at RAH.

Cheered me up no end!

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Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p51620)

by **Carole R.** » Sun Mar 20, 2011 10:30 am

Looks like some publicity is kicking in, then. 🤖

Not before time.

CR xx

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Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p51624)

by **Cardiff Bluesgirl** » Sun Mar 20, 2011 10:38 am

something I suppose, but still no real crowd pullers on that bill, I hope there will be someone BIG announced 🤖

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Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p51654)

by **Carole R.** » Sun Mar 20, 2011 1:14 pm

Cardiff Bluesgirl wrote:

something I suppose, but still no real crowd pullers on that bill, I hope there will be someone BIG announced 🤖

Well, I doubt that Aretha or Pavarotti are 'available!'... 🤖 🤖 🤖

~~~~~  
I saw *this* idea elsewhere, and thought it was good enough to try out here:

It seems that The Springfields, in the shape of Mike Hurst are due to play the RAH



Concert, but **who** will cover for Dusty and Tom?

Any ideas or suggestions?

CR xx

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### **Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p51658)**

by **Cardiff Bluesgirl** » Sun Mar 20, 2011 4:42 pm

well you know me, noone can cover for Dusty 😊  
and as for Tom, well he could be there in disguise I suppose. 😡  
I cant think of anyone who could be him really.  
what about Adele showing up though and that would be well worth traipsing up to London etc etc. 😊  
I would like to see her sing " my colouring book" 😊

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### **Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p51676)**

by **trek007** » Sun Mar 20, 2011 8:32 pm

Good question regarding the Springfields...

Mike Hurst and... obviously its got to be 2 others who are listed as appearing..  
So from those listed..my choice would be

Rick Astley and Stacy Solomn.

But there are still lots and lots  
of seats unsold which is a worry.

Without a big top of the bill and very little publicity...(apart from the choir) they will remain unsold..in the present economic climate...most ticket buyers will want a "top star" and Dusty deserves no less.

A charity occasion alone with "B" type acts will not fill the RAH, how ever much we hope it will.

Like Liz I just hope a headline star will be added and that in the end lots of money is raised for such a good cause.

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### **Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p51682)**

by **allherfaces** » Sun Mar 20, 2011 10:26 pm

I know it sounds selfish, but I'm also worried if I'm going to be able to sell the two tickets I need to unload. 😞

It will really be a shame if they can't sell a good number of tickets and raise a good deal of money; I'd hate for anything to be less than very successful when it's in Dusty's honor! 😞 That just feels so wrong.

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**Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p51693)**

by **karen** » Mon Mar 21, 2011 8:47 am

I think we are all a bit concerned re sale of tickets and who will appear at this Tribute Concert for Dusty. Please could we be in for a pleasant surprise as to performers in her honour... 🙄🌹

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**Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p51730)**

by **Cardiff Bluesgirl** » Mon Mar 21, 2011 4:18 pm

yes its very unsettling and I would never contemplate a trip to London and the cost of it to see this line up normally. 🙄

I still feel very undecided about going even though I have a ticket. my view is that at least the money will go to the charity, but I just cant see these tickets selling with this line up. there are so many things to go to in the area and I see Barry Manilow is at the o2 that night as well.

I wonder if they will hold this concert if the tickets dont sell. the first ten rows have been sold to ticket outlets and so they may not be bought up and so it looks a bit sparse in there so far.

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**Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p51744)**

by **Carole R.** » Mon Mar 21, 2011 5:22 pm

I don't know about the first ten rows.

The first ten ***tickets*** sounds like an achievement to me.

With the best will in the world, it aint looking too good.

CR xx

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**Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p51745)**

by **boztiggs** » Mon Mar 21, 2011 5:50 pm

i feel very sorry for all the people who have tried to organise it, if i could go i would just to support them for trying, but its a crying shame if it doesnt take off

Neil

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**Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p51750)**

by **daydreamer** » Mon Mar 21, 2011 6:31 pm

I actually feel more annoyed than sorry for the organisers. When this was first announced, apart from the fact that the date was a big problem for many folk (me included), I was really thrilled. A memorial concert for Dusty. It sounded very grand and like everyone else, I thought the acts would at least have some relevance to Dusty. I only know a little of what's gone on in the background but that aside, not having a guest list of some sorts before you sell tickets, seems like madness. Lulu's name popped up on Simon's page as I think he was given that verbally but there's no mention of her anywhere

else, not on the RAH site or her own official page. I don't want to see a bunch of random acts that have, to my mind, little or no connection to Dusty.....I don't see how that's a memorial to her. Yes, it's to raise money for charity, so everyone would want it to work, but we on this site are I think more concerned that it's a concert being promoted in Dusty's name, and we don't want it to flop.

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### **Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p51753)**

by **boztiggs** » Mon Mar 21, 2011 6:51 pm

So I guess its kind of a wasted opportunity then, i shall try and be optimistic and and hope that they pull someone fabulous out of the bag soon, like you say, its in Dustys memory. I cant understand why none of the other girl singers from that era arent jumping at the chance to go back in time, and be in a concert such as this. Especially lulu, although she would have to be banned from telling the words on the hands story for starters!

Neil 😊

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### **Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p51783)**

by **Douggie** » Tue Mar 22, 2011 2:23 am

Hi All

On reading some of the comments on the site.  
I would like to know who said the tickets aren't selling?  
From what source did it come?  
Is it a reliable source?

There have been lots of speculation on the concert ever since it was announced. Some of these reports are from people who do not want this concert to succeed. These people have a hidden agenda and will say and do anything to agitate the situation. I will not at this time say much more.  
I have said in previous posts about this problem also that these people should be aware that they maybe crossing legal limits by undermining this concert in the way they are.  
Please don't jump to any conclusions without checking the source of any information, and confirm that it is sound before acting on it.

Douggie

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### **Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p51786)**

by **daydreamer** » Tue Mar 22, 2011 7:21 am

Douggie, while I personally didn't mention ticket sales, I would think that those that did only know from checking the online booking sites. You would be able to tell from those how many seats are still empty. I doubt that this info comes from any other source.

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## **Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p51791)**

by **trek007** » Tue Mar 22, 2011 9:05 am

Regarding ticket sales..the official RAH web site has lots of tickets available and also various ticket outlets also have front row tickets at higher prices than those at the Albert hall web page.

The ones available on sites where ticket can be bought look sold on the official RAH page...but they are obviously not sold as yet because they are available at other well known outlets at higher prices. Just do a web search for Dusty tribute concert and they will appear!

Without advertising the general public are not going to know this concert is even on.

I think the RAH is a reliable source of information....maybe sales will take off, but it will have to be soon.

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## **Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p51808)**

by **Cardiff Bluesgirl** » Tue Mar 22, 2011 10:21 am

We all want this to be a great concert and we are all real Dusty fans which is why so many bought tickets not knowing who was on the bill. 😞  
that said we still have concerns re the playlist as there are no big names on there and its not easy to find a real Dusty link to the names on this list. I think we were all hoping for motown acts and people who were real friends and Dusty contacts. I was hoping for PSBs etc.

it was sad to see Madeline and Simon eventually not going to take part and its as Trek has said regarding the ticket sales. after all the years of waiting for a concert like this, it just seems to be a strange collection of acts to put before Dusty fans in such a large venue, charity or not.

financially its a challenging time and quite a few of us are juggling everything on pensions etc so its for that reason that we have concerns Duggie, not because we are unsupportive of anything Dusty. far from it.

its a lot of expense for most of us who are not around London and will have just been there for Dusty Day. we all give to Dusty funds for flowers at her marker and for the Marsden etc so we are only voicing our thoughts re the success of this and the cost at this difficult time. I dont think thats unreasonable and the thought of it failing because of the calibre of the programme is all the sadder to us who have loved her all our lives. we just want her to have proper recognition not for her name to be linked to something which doesnt seem to be capturing the imagination of the public. 😞

I hope you can see that we are all on the same side and of course we dont know what has happened behind the scenes ,but if it is Detrimental to Dusty then naturally we are anxious. 🌹

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## **Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p52534)**

by **Cardiff Bluesgirl** » Thu Mar 31, 2011 2:02 pm

I just looked on RAH and I see that there is now no sign of Lulu but Boy George has been put on there 😞

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## **Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p52644)**

by **mnmcv1** » Fri Apr 01, 2011 4:56 pm

**Cardiff Bluesgirl wrote:**

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Rick Astley and Boy George. Well, if they can get Wham!, Human League and 5 Star back together they can just nix the Dusty idea and call this an 80's Tribute. 🙄

I apologize for being snarky. And I actually have nothing against Rick or Boy George. This just isn't turning out the way I had hoped, and all the extra money to adjust the plans ended up causing me stress and headache. I know it is for a worthy cause...

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## **Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p52646)**

by **boztiggs** » Fri Apr 01, 2011 5:05 pm

aha! well that makes me think that they are aiming at the later Dusty from the 80`s, but there isnt one shred of dustiness about either of them, unless they are there to represent that particular time in dustys career

neil

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## **Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p52752)**

by **trek007** » Sat Apr 02, 2011 1:27 pm

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## **Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p52797)**

by **Carole R.** » Sat Apr 02, 2011 9:55 pm

Its abit like revolving doors...

Very random indeed.

CR xx

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## **Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p52799)**

by **daydreamer** » Sat Apr 02, 2011 9:57 pm

Rick Astley kept Dusty from the no 1 spot with the Pet Shop Boys, but that's not much of a link!

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## **Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p52947)**

by **Douggie** » Mon Apr 04, 2011 3:42 am

Hi

It is getting to the time with only about one month before this concert.

I have told you in other posts what I could about this concert.

It was never intended to be a concert of people who had a connection to Dusty only.

If this were the case I should be there directing the music being played for the artists.

After all I did work with Dusty on a consistent basis touring the World for about six to seven years.

I probably work with her more than anybody else did in the 60's or since. So why am I not doing the show?

I am not doing the concert because I do not have any rights to make demands to do the concert even though I am involved. Working or knowing Dusty does not give me or anybody else any rights at all to be associated to any project that may have her name attached. I may not like the situation but that's the truth of the matter. I could get as many Echoes as I wanted to do this concert and we were all part of

Dusty's career but it doesn't work like that.

It would have been simply fantastic to have all the people we wanted for the show and tried to get!

I had some great lists of artists who I would have put my life on the line would have done this concert, but no

I would have been dead now many times over!

However sometimes things are not like everybody thinks they should be. I may one day give you a list of those

we wanted and some of the responses we had back. Some of them would almost make you cry as you get the impression that there is nothing in it for them so they declined and that is from so called friends, people who loved, admired her singing even having influenced their own careers.

The tribute to Dusty is not for those who knew her it is about the songs she sang. They will talk of her life I am sure, but it is other artist singing Dusty songs with the money going to a worth while charity.

In other posts of mine I said "Nobody has the rights to Dusty's life" sadly some people think they have.

I knew her, worked with her, had lots of fun with her and loved her.

No rights just lots and lots of memories.

The artist that are doing this concert are doing it out of love for her with no ulterior motive save the charity.

I am happy they are doing it and respect them greatly for their efforts.

Douggie

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### **Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p52969)**

by **Cas19** » Mon Apr 04, 2011 11:23 am

Very nicely explained Douggie, none of us have any rights to the lovely Dusty, only memories as you say.

Casx

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## **Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p53010)**

by **Chris80** » Mon Apr 04, 2011 7:30 pm

Hi Duggie,

Thanks for the additional explanation. I can imagine the upcoming difficulties when you organize such tribute concert and try to get artists which perform just for charity. Maybe some points of the concert plannings and the promotion work could be improved, but I'm sure that the concert promotor and the yet known artists will do there best. My impressions is that the expectations are pitched very (too) high, but perhaps this concert exceeds all expectations, who knows....

In any case I think all concertgoer shall looking forward to this concert and I wish good entertainment! 😊

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## **Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p53086)**

by **Cardiff Bluesgirl** » Tue Apr 05, 2011 2:00 pm

I think the problem here is still that it advertised bigger artists like Smokey Robinson and we all thought we were going to get a Motown etc type show with as we all hoped for ,acts like Martha Reeves as they were around and were friends of Dusty. its just a shame as it has become an expensive show for people to travel to see when there are no crowd pullers on the bill. I think we all appreciate the fact that its the charity and they will be singing songs Dusty made famous but its just that the names on the list seem so random and we were expecting a real Dusty night out I suppose. I hope they manage to pull this show off amongst all the London competition for a thursday night out. especially sad as we see that Jools Holland is touring and has Sandie Shaw on the bill and I see she is also appearing with Rumer and so is Rick Astley, who seems to be showing up everywhere lately. 😞

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## **Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p53149)**

by **Duggie** » Wed Apr 06, 2011 3:33 am

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Please read again what I have said regarding this concert

in my last post.

What is a real Dusty night out? She died in 1999!

Anything from that time onwards are other people singing Dusty's songs or doing tributes to her. The fact that some of them may have known her is totally irrational, irrelevant and to me doesn't constitute a real Dusty night out. All of them are just paying homage to her. The same as this concert.

There were expectations both from the promoters and from those that may have brought tickets, and these may have been too high or not. Some of the earlier posts on this concert may have been released premature they were NOT from the promoter. There was no official advertising for Smokey Robinson, but it may have been put out by The Royal Albert Hall it's self NOT from the promoter.

The fact that Dusty's name was mentioned doesn't mean that everyone she ever knew would be on this concert. Smokey I know for sure was to be included however what happened happened. It is too late to change that now. There will be some surprises, but don't speculate.

I said it before and I'll say it again.  
"It is not compulsory to attend"

Because Smokey was presumed to be on this show before any official publicity is not the promoters fault. It is not a Tamla Motown concert. The fact that Dusty was probably responsible for the success of Motown in England and also their artists means diddly squat these days. They are successful and are beholden to nobody. It is always their choice to appear or not to appear.

Please read what I said in my last post..

Douggie

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### **Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p53459)**

by **st louis blues** » Fri Apr 08, 2011 2:53 am

Hello, Douggie

This is SLB or T.K. I just think it's great that this concert is happening. Have you or anybody else here seen the dvd "A Concert For George." It's the tribute to George Harrison. I'm a huge Beatle fan; I didn't have any certain expectations when I bought the dvd. Having said that I watched it with an open mind and really enjoyed it. I liked the fact that there was a different take on some of those classic songs. I thought it was lovingly done(thank you Eric Clapton) and it sounds as if this tribute to Dusty might be along the same line. I'll say it again, I would give anything to be there, it's a cause close to my heart, and it's a chance to celebrate her life. I can't wait for the dvd to come out.



With the concert, Dusty Day, and the blue plaque, I'm green with envy. I really hope everyone keeps an open mind and it's a big success. I guess I'll have to be content reading about it. 😊

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### **Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p53548)**

by [trek007](#) » Fri Apr 08, 2011 9:17 pm

I have this concert on DVD...I'll look it out....

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### **Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p53549)**

by [trek007](#) » Fri Apr 08, 2011 9:21 pm

Hi St Louis Blues,

I have the DVD of the Songs for George tribute,,its a very good concert with Eric Clapton as MD and has some very good artists on the bill including..

Jools Holland  
Eric Clapton  
Ravi Shankar  
Paul McCartney  
Ringo Starr  
Billy Preston  
Joe Brown  
Gary Booker  
Jeff Lynne  
Tom Petty  
Michael Palin  
Tom Hanks  
Eric Idle  
Terry Jones  
Backing from Sam Brown, Katie Kasson

An all star lineup who did George proud at the RAH.

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### **Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p53890)**

by [de lacey](#) » Tue Apr 12, 2011 8:08 pm

Sorry could i ask for some clarification here. I bought 2 tickets specifically on the back of Douggie's clear statement that:

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(Kenney Jones, Ian Maclaglen, Ronnie Wood, Glen Matlock, PP Arnold, Brian May, Paul Weller, Noel Gallagher)"

would be playing - is this now not the case?

If they aren't playing, why not?

Dougie can you clarify?

Neil

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### **Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p53970)**

by **Dougie** » Thu Apr 14, 2011 2:25 am

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Dougie can you clarify?

Neil

Hi Neil

I think when this was put out this was the case. However I did find out later that it was a premature release of information as with some of the other artists on this concert. It did cause a few problems at the time and I believed it may have got worse since that time. I have not been in contact with London so was unaware that they were no longer advertised and have no information as to why.

Sorry I can't be of more help, but I haven't had any details for the last month or so. It's quite hard being so far away to be of much help.

Dougie

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### **Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p53997)**

by **Carole R.** » Thu Apr 14, 2011 10:04 am

Its startin to look like anyone who can be bothered, and hasn't got much else to do on the night will be appearing on this show..

It must be practically unheard of to see such a changing, hotch potch list of names 'appearing' (or not!) on a Show which expects to sell tickets... 🙄

Thats fine... But using Dustys **name** to promote the show **isn't** fine... 🙄

If people feel that they have been misled, they are not gonna be happy, whether its for Charity or not.

CR xx

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**Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p54002)**

by **trek007** » Thu Apr 14, 2011 10:56 am

I think the concert should be called "The Comings and Goings"..A Charity concert

The lineup as at 14th April 2011 is...

Boy George  
Carol Decker  
Rick Astley  
Joanna Marie  
Lucie Silvas  
Kenny Lynch  
Mica Paris  
Julie Felix  
Four Nurses  
Hazel O'Connor  
Dennis Locorriere  
Shelby Lynne  
Mike Hurst

Matthew Jones and his Orchestra and "Choir"

Subject to change.

I have got a ticket refund as I don't wish to see these artists...I give to charity on a regular basis, so I will continue to do that and not see this concert being done in Dusty's name.

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**Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p54042)**

by **jodiewafer** » Thu Apr 14, 2011 10:48 pm

This sounds like an absolute mess! I feel desperately sorry for the people on LTD who bought tickets when the concert was first announced because it sounded like it was going to be a great event featuring some of Dusty's contemporaries and friends who were performing out of love and respect for Dusty and her memory. Now it just sounds like an 80's tribute made up of people thrown together for the sake of it. Why they are even still using Dusty's name in connection with this is beyond me. I think people have been misled and Dusty fans will be disappointed with the show. I hope I'm proved wrong.

Jodie xxx

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## **Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p54621)**

by **Cardiff Bluesgirl** » Wed Apr 20, 2011 1:52 pm

well I see that Simon has updated the info on his site now and has put that they will be raffling 2 tickets at Dusty day( a gift from the promoters 😞 )

he also says on his list that Lulu is " a recorded message" 😞

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## **Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p54687)**

by **Douggie** » Thu Apr 21, 2011 7:35 am

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When I consider that only good was to come from this concert the whole thing has shattered my faith in some people who I would have considered to be Friends and supporters of Dusty. There has definitely been a gigantic lack of personal/moral support from within the industry and more of a campaign to undermine the whole show.

This concert could have taken place without any association to Dusty with I suppose the same end result that we may see now. I think my connection to this project is the reason that the promoter thought to give it a Dusty flavor. We couldn't get Dusty so it was thought to let other artists sing her songs out of respect for her talent.

On retrospect we should have just put on a concert with artists just doing there own thing. It certainly would have been far easier and less trouble.

I also would not have contemplated paying to travel from Australia to England with all the expenses on my pension either which is the case. I have not and will not be paid for any help I gave. I did because I thought it right and a worthy cause. I thought this at the start and still think it now.

With all the things that have happened, all the problems together with so many negative vibes from people makes you think is it worth the time and effort.

I will say it again this was never a concert just for Dusty's fans or people with Dusty connections. The singers are just singing some of the songs she recorded weather they knew her or not.

Maybe we shouldn't even bother in the future.

It is depressive for all of us, but probably more for me than you know.

Dougie

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### **Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p54709)**

by [mnmcv1](#) » Thu Apr 21, 2011 3:20 pm

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Douggie

I feel badly about all of this, Douggie. I know you had high hopes for this show- we all did- and of course we weren't aware of what may have been taking place behind the scenes.

I wasn't expecting every person on the bill to have been a friend or direct colleague of Dusty (i.e. all of the calibre of Tom Jones and Lulu or something). I do think the initial announcement of Smokey may have gotten the ball rolling, and it was continually suggested that "many more big names" would be added. When that didn't happen, people started to feel they were misled. If this were in people's neck of the woods it may not have been as big a deal, but you have people travelling from all around the world (and, coming from Australia, I'm sure you can appreciate that). My own plans were turned a bit upside down as well, as we're coming over from the States into Paris, then on to London...and had originally planned on returning to Paris after Dusty Day. I went along with it somewhat reluctantly.

What's done is done- I AM glad it is for charity- at least it's not a flat-out waste. When all is said and done I'm going to have a marvelous time, even if things do not turn out as initially envisioned...but please know this does not reflect negatively on you. I know how you feel about Dusty, and I have no doubt you have had nothing but the absolute best intentions. 😊 That aside, looking forward to meeting you!

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### **Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p54739)**

by **Corinna** » Thu Apr 21, 2011 8:18 pm

Yes, Douggie, I'm totally with Markus on this. I am convinced you did your very best, and that you did it out of love and respect for Dusty. It's a shame it didn't work out the way you - and Dusty's fans - wanted it. But there's only so much you can do. 🌹

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### **Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p54745)**

by **Cardiff Bluesgirl** » Thu Apr 21, 2011 8:35 pm

yes I think we all feel the same and we feel sad for you as you had great expectations for it all, you also wanted a fitting tribute show for Dusty.

it just hasn't worked out that way. this all started out with the hopes of a great show with some great performers but that's life I suppose. 😞 Dusty day will make up for it. 😊

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### **Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p54749)**

by **trek007** » Thu Apr 21, 2011 9:00 pm

I agree with what everyone is saying.

You did your best Douggie with the best of intentions...it's a pity it didn't work out as we all wanted it to do..as Liz says...that's life.

You are also so far away to have a hands on input.

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### **Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p54760)**

by **Carole R.** » Thu Apr 21, 2011 10:41 pm

I agree with the others, Douggie..

No-one blames you for what has transpired re this Show.

This is a Dusty Fan Forum and like yourself we just want the very best for Dustys memory.

I'm sure that it all started out with the best of intentions but, unfortunately it hasn't worked out as planned.

"C'est La Vie."..

CR xx

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### **Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p54774)**

by **st louis blues** » Fri Apr 22, 2011 4:16 am

Douggie, does this mean that the list of performers is now complete? I'm just curious. I feel really bad for you. I know you were very enthusiastic about the concert. It's weird that there was such a lack of support among the industry, especially since it's for charity. Having said that I still feel this could be a good tribute. Sometimes things that look like they are going to be a disaster turn out to be a blessing and I'm thankful for the performers who will be there. We are grateful for your support of Dusty and the charity, please know that. I hope you have a good time back in the U.K. I have a feeling this may turn out better than it looks. 😊 Take care.

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### **Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p54781)**

by **Douggie** » Fri Apr 22, 2011 7:33 am

I would like to thank you all for your thoughts. I really wish that I could tell you all the FULL story.

I am sure that some of you may have an idea I don't really know. If some of you read between the lines of some of my posts the coin may drop. A great possibility that this may not be the end of the whole affair.

I will find out when I get to England.

I hope to catch up with many of you on Dusty Day..

Douggie

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### **Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p54840)**

by **paula** » Fri Apr 22, 2011 7:22 pm

It's too bad this has gone the way it has...especially with Dusty's name attached.

I never liked the smell of it from the beginning...given that somehow I have a ticket in my hands and a change of plans 😞

It will still be worth it if just for Markus to have a visit to see the beautiful Royal Albert

Hall...and even though the event isn't what we hoped for...it's still a Dusty event at RAH.



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### **Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p54845)**

by **allherfaces** » Fri Apr 22, 2011 8:10 pm

Douggie, I'll stand you a pint if you tell me the story at DD. 😊

I truly hope for the sake of all attending that it turns out to be a great event and that those of us who didn't go are jealous.

After Trek got her refund, I wrote to RAH asking for one for my other two tickets as Allison cannot be persuaded to go, but have not heard back.

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### **Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p54958)**

by **Cardiff Bluesgirl** » Sun Apr 24, 2011 10:10 am

I wrote to RAH too and they gave me the history of the concert re charitable cause etc, I had already acknowledged that in my e mail to them .

I pointed out that I would not be travelling to London from Cardiff with all the costs around the concert etc to see people (I hadn't even heard of until I looked them up) and others who were not "A" list performers. having been seduced by the RAH advert with Smokey Robinson and Billy Ocean etc.

anyway they wrote to say it was not customary to return money as the tickets were sold under the terms and conditions on the website as non refundable and the bill was advertised as "subject to change" however due to my disappointment they had decided to refund my money and asked me to return the tickets to them prior to the concert.

I have sent them off so await the money back in my account. I feel very sad about it all but I think the last straw was the news that PSBs and Lulu were sending recorded messages just made me feel this was an expense I could well do without. I give to Dusty charities on here and on Dusty day etc so I don't feel bad in that way ,but I do feel sad about the way its turned out.

I hope the concert brings a lot of money for the Macmillan charity, its a very worthy cause.

I also hope that Dusty songs are well sung and performed on the show and that all those attending have a great evening. 🌹

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### **Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p54980)**

by **allherfaces** » Sun Apr 24, 2011 2:34 pm

They never answered my email! 😡

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### **Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p55080)**

by **paula** » Mon Apr 25, 2011 2:14 pm

hmmmm, Are there any other LTD'ers still attending RAH? If so, give a shout and maybe we can meet up?



Agenda has been changed so Markus and I will be there making the best of it...we will have our critic caps on so watch this thread for a full review. 🤖

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### **Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p55283)**

by **Cardiff Bluesgirl** » Wed Apr 27, 2011 2:54 pm

I spoke to a very nice customer relations woman called Harriet and she has refunded the two tickets. I am sad as well as pleased to get the money back. she said she understood because the list of acts wasn't what we were hoping for after Smokey was on there. she did say Elton John wasn't available, even though I pointed out that on his fan site his name was there etc.

I would have liked this to have been full of people to do justice to Dusty and her wonderful songs but even so I am sure it will be a concert with some great moments and the setting will be lovely. it would have been nice to be at RAH but as said before it was all a bit expensive etc for the line up presented.

so for those who are going I hope it's a great night out. 😊

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### **Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p55667)**

by **boztiggs** » Thu May 05, 2011 9:33 pm

I am on tenterhooks waiting for a review!!!

Neil

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### **Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p55715)**

by **daydreamer** » Fri May 06, 2011 10:48 am

I spoke to Pat this morning about the concert, she said she enjoyed it and that all the acts sang Dusty songs. There was no Dusty footage shown, just a picture on a screen and Paul Gambacini did a good job linking the acts together, taking his words from Sharon's book. Jimmy Tarbuck talked of he and Dusty always having a good laugh when they worked together and Pat relayed his jokes. So it wasn't "an 80's concert" as some had feared, the songs were Dusty's. Pat said she saw Nancy, Paula and a few other fans there, so I'll look forward to hearing a proper review when you're ready guys

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### **Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p55728)**

by **allherfaces** » Fri May 06, 2011 12:54 pm

The concert wasn't as good as I had hoped nor as dismal as I'd feared. After we got Laura on the tube Paula, Markus and I reviewed and graded the acts and clips. Paula will be writing a formal review after she gets home so I don't want to spoil that. The comedian was brilliant. We all thought Dusty would have loved his old school humor. The best act was Mica Paris singing AISIY. Worst interview was Smokey R. It was an uneven evening but enjoyable and felt good to support the charity. Paula just lost a friend to cancer this week and. A friend of mine has just been diagnosed.

Was perfect seeing Pat and Doug as we left. They are both the sweetest people.

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**Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p55738)**

by **Tom Lovett** » Fri May 06, 2011 3:00 pm

We enjoyed the evening although the sound was a bit dodgy over our side, missed a lot on Jimmy Tarbuck's jokes, but expect we've heard them before.

I agree with Nanceh best act was Mica Paris singing AISIY, worst Rick Astley murdering LOK.

I look forward to Paula's report.

Tom

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**Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p55754)**

by **Sweetbaby** » Fri May 06, 2011 5:38 pm

😊 Mica's AISIY is on Youtube:  
[youtube]<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=apPVEi3omHk>[/youtube]

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**Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p55761)**

by **karen** » Fri May 06, 2011 5:49 pm

And this one.[ rehearsal ]..

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### **Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p55770)**

by **trek007** » Fri May 06, 2011 6:48 pm

IJDKWTDWM ..the singer had tones of Karen Carpenter I thought.

Mica made a reasonable job of AISIY.

Did the amateur choir perform or back any of the singers?

Amazing how quickly things get on to UTube.

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### **Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p55773)**

by **Carole R.** » Fri May 06, 2011 6:55 pm

Passable versions of two brilliant songs.. 😊

There are other vids of the Show now emerging on youtube..

I'm wonderin who actually appeared in the end?

CR xx

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### **Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p55776)**

by **daydreamer** » Fri May 06, 2011 7:11 pm

Pat said the choir were more or less out of sight, she couldn't really remember what they sang, "a medley I think". Funny how we see and hear things differently, I thought Mica gave a very good rendition of AISIS, except maybe for the shouty bit at the end but I was slightly bored by IJDKWTDWM. Nothing really wrong with her voice, she just made the song wander along too much for my liking. In Dusty's hands it's so dramatic and emotional. Pat didn't describe the picture on the screen very well to me, so at least now I can see what that was 😊 It would have been quite nice to have had one of her on the RAH stage if someone had thought about it 😊

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### **Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p55778)**

by **Corinna** » Fri May 06, 2011 7:29 pm

Did the artists really perform in jeans and t-shirt (at least the back up singers look very dressed down) ?????????? 😲 😊

Amazing how quickly stuff makes its way onto YouTube. Good for us who weren't there. Thanx for posting!

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by **daydreamer** » Fri May 06, 2011 10:25 pm

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Nancy, is this who you mean by "the comedian"? You may have seen him before on "Live at Her Majesty's" introducing Dusty.



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**Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p55804)**

by **Sweetbaby** » Sat May 07, 2011 12:37 am

😊 There's some concert pix here: [http://www.wireimage.com/ItemListings.a ... 287&NBC1=1](http://www.wireimage.com/ItemListings.a...287&NBC1=1) (<http://www.wireimage.com/ItemListings.aspx?igi=498287&NBC1=1>)

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**Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p55835)**

by **squidney** » Sat May 07, 2011 11:25 am

I have discovered this forum today after looking for opinions on the 'For Dusty' concert. I bought tickets when I first saw the advert advertising Smokey Robinson. The fact that a

big name was advertised - it was at the Albert Hall and it featured Dusty Springfield songs made me gamble and buy two tickets. Now I know it was for a good cause, but I would not have paid nearly 60 pounds each had I known the final line up. I have read all the previous posts and realise a lot has gone on behind the scenes - but I feel that ticket buyers should have been informed that Smokey Robinson had pulled out as this was the name that drew punters in in the first place. I had realised this when googling earlier about the concert but then saw other names such as Elton John, Sharlene Spiteri, Paul Weller amongst others mentioned so didn't ask for a refund (not sure I would have got it anyway).

Personally wouldn't have had the four nurses as the final act! A strange choice I thought! They were obviously nervous and sang OK but only OK! Fine have them on near the beginning maybe... but you want to hear 'Son of a Preacher Man' sung really well!

I agree with the others on this forum - Mica Paris was best. Enjoyed Lucy Silvas - Boy George - Kenny Lynch - Carol Dekker - didn't think the opera version of 'If you Go away ' worked. The rest were OK - I wouldn't say Rick Astley was the worst - I 'd have said Hazel O' Connor but maybe she is an aquired taste!

all in all it wasn't the concert I was hoping for when I booked - there were a few moments which were good - but with Mr G. speaking between every song it never really got any momentum going in my opinion!

The last Albert Hall concert I went to was the tribute to George Harrison . Now thats the kind of level I was hoping for!

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### **Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p55845)**

by [daydreamer](#) » Sat May 07, 2011 1:29 pm

Although I didn't see the George concert, I imagine it was what we were all hoping for too 🙄

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### **Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p55867)**

by [Corinna](#) » Sat May 07, 2011 6:46 pm

And would you believe it, someone is already trying to sell the promo ad.... yours for £ 0.99.



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Does Lee John really spell with 3 "e"?

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## Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p55881)

by [Sweetbaby](#) » Sat May 07, 2011 10:02 pm

☺ It is indeed Lee John - but I don't think he made the final cut anyway. I was very surprised to see pix of Dave Berry onstage as I never saw his name attached to **For Dusty**; I assumed he was a last minute addition as with (I believe) Sumudu but I've learned that Dave's official site announced his participation in **For Dusty** on March 11. Curious too that the ads mentioned the participation of Mike Hurst & the Springfields without specifying Katy Setterfield's involvement - I was under the impression **The One & Only** was a fairly big deal & would think Katy would be as big a draw as at least some of the **For Dusty** participants.

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### **Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p55892)**

by **daydreamer** » Sun May 08, 2011 6:42 am

I'm sure Paula will come in with a full review but I do know that Kenny Lynch sang Up On The Roof (which he's probably done thousands of times since 1963!) and Julie Felix sang 24 Hours from Tulsa which she also did at Dusty Day. I had seen Dave Berry on a list of artists but not sure where that was, maybe on here? He sang Goin' Back at the first Plaque unveiling luncheon as well.

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### **Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p55915)**

by **karen** » Sun May 08, 2011 10:32 am

Yes looking forward to Paula's review , no real regrets about not going , if we had been in London all week would have felt differently I am sure ... 😊

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### **Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p55944)**

by **mnmcv1** » Sun May 08, 2011 2:29 pm

#### ***Sweetbaby wrote:***

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You're right on all of those, sweetbaby. Carole clarified that Kenny Lynch did sing "Up on the Roof" (which seemed a sentimental moment for many in the crowd) and Julie Felix did "24 Hours From Tulsa"...which I think actually came off better than at DD. The Pseudo Springfields did "Island of Dreams", "Say I Won't Be There" and "Silver Threads and Golden Needles" (the only act of the night to do 3 songs- I wish some of the other acts had the same opportunity). Carol Decker did "In the Middle of Nowhere", Lucie Silvas did "Quiet Please, There's a Lady on Stage", Hazel O'Connor did "I Close My Eyes and Count to Ten", and Lee John DID perform- he sang "Little By Little".

I'll wait for Paula to come in for the official recap- Paula, Nancy and I graded them

afterward and there were a couple of dissensions but mostly we were on the same page. The taped messages were...well, i'll wait for the others to chimne in. I'm sure I would've enjoyed the PSB message much more if I could've actually HEARD what Neil was saying. The sound was appalling at points.

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### **Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p56004)**

by **LondonVic** » Sun May 08, 2011 7:53 pm

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That person taping it was me and I was actually in the front of the arena, the sloped part. To blame are the atrocious acoustics of Royal Albert Hall. The camera has captured all of the echo. My ears filtered it out to the best of my ability. And yes, Mica nailed it. I thought I was slightly biased due to Mica being one of my favourite singers, but it's a pleasure to see there appears to be a consensus in this forum about it as well!

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### **Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p56020)**

by **Sweetbaby** » Sun May 08, 2011 11:09 pm

😊 Thanks -didn't mean to dismiss Lee but his name is not on the finalized lineup at the RAH site - ditto Dave & Sumudu. I think it's a shame W&H wasn't performed - while not a UK hit for Dusty it's still a signature song of hers & other non-hits were sung. But I don't mean to grouse at all - considering the fluctuating lineup it's remarkable that Dusty's songbook was so well represented at the concert. And hopefully proper tapings were made of the performances.

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### **Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p56176)**

by **paula** » Tue May 10, 2011 12:40 pm

sorry all...I am in the woods today playing Ranger but will post my pics and words later today or tomorrow.

Carole...yes that is the comedian..he was great..I think Dusty would have enjoyed him the most as they had a history together and we all know she had such a sense of humour. Kenny Lynch did a great job with 'On the Roof'...crowd did receive him well.

watch this page for full review ...sorry for the delay 😊

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## **Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p56184)**

by **mnmcv1** » Tue May 10, 2011 2:41 pm

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welcome to Let's Talk Dusty, LondonVic!

Yes, I have loved Mica since "My One Temptation", and have a couple of her albums. She was one of the few artists I was really looking forward to at RAH and she didnt disappoint. Thank you so much for posting the video! When you zoomed out it seemed like you were in the back of the theater. But I must agree about the sound. Remember at the beginning of the show when the audience started shouting that they couldn't hear? That was the section we were in. I thought there was going to be a walkout!

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## **Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p56199)**

by **LondonVic** » Tue May 10, 2011 6:09 pm

**mnmcv1 wrote:**

welcome to Let's Talk Dusty, LondonVic!

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Thanks for the lovely welcome. Must admit, I had found out about the Dusty tribute on Mica's facebook page - but I was absolutely over the moon about it. Though the lineup did strike me as a bit thin on star power overall, I decided I wasn't going to miss it. I hadn't realized till the other day when I read most of this thread about all the unfolding drama! But oh well, I think it was wonderful anyway and raised money for a wonderful cause near and dear to my heart.

By the way, I was in the section adjacent to you noisy folks! :) I suppose slightly further, but also at a slightly more forward facing angle. That is why I said I was quite near to the front. Again, the camera is to blame. It's only got about 4x zoom. Not a whole lot of magnification. Wish I'd taken my digital camcorder - but last time i've been to RAH they were so adamant about video recording that I got chided twice for doing so - so I only used my tiny camera.

I've also now posted "Son of a Preacher Man" :-

I didn't initially, as I wasn't crazy about it. But as I discovered there is hardly any YouTube coverage of this event, I decided to post it.

I thought Lucie Sylvas was great on "Quiet Please, There's a lady on stage" - despite not knowing who she was initially. Wish someone had recorded her.

Look forward to reading the review!!

Victoria x

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**Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p56223)**

by [paula](#) » Tue May 10, 2011 10:37 pm

ok..as they say, "On With the Show"



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not a full house...but a decent crowd was present.



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The chorus was quite large and was situated up behind the stage.



The night opened up with a medley...right off we were all reaching for a tissue. I think it was just hearing the opening notes..being in RAH..the big Dusty hovering over the stage ❤️ the orchestra opened the night w/ a medley of "Going Back", ICMEACTT", & "All I See IS You"...now you understand the need for tissue?



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after being snapped back into reality by a crabby-ass woman who curtly asked nancy & I "if we were going to go on like this all night" (chatting)...well, she could have been a little more pleasant 🙄 ...on came the host Paul Gambaccini with his first installment in the life of Dusty S. (he sat on stage and after each performance read another installment of Dusty's life in historical order)



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### **Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p56224)**

by **paula** » Tue May 10, 2011 11:13 pm

I forgot to mention that during the opening medley..the sound was screwed up and the audience..at least around us...was ready for a revolt. thank goodness they were able to fix it 🙄

first act up...'The Springfields'..Mike Hurst, Katy Setterfield & Mike W...singing 'Silver Threads & Golden Needles', 'Say I Won't Be There', & 'Island of Dreams'...rating: A





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after 'The Springfields' came the first video of the evening from Lulu. It was shown at DD

if you were able to catch it. I thought it was sweet.

Next up was 'Leee John singing 'Little By Little'...ok but lacking we gave it a Rating: B-



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following L. John was Sunudu (you don't want to know how I originally spelled her name 🙄  
) singing 'IJDKWTDWM'...nancy & Markus liked her...I think she was ok but I love this song  
so it was hard to please me.

Rating: B+



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next up was Joanna Marie singing 'If You Go Away'...nancy didn't like her operatic take on the song but I thought if any song could be sung in this manner it was this one...Markus liked the dress 😂 Rate: B-/nancy:D



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Dave Berry w/ B Wood & T. Baker (harmonica & guitar) performed a folksy version of 'Goin' Back'

Rate: B



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Carole Decker bounced onto to the stage w/ an energetic 'Middle of Nowhere'...Rating: B+



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and to wrap up the first half was ...as you have all heard..the favorite performance of the evening..Mica Paris singing 'All I See Is You' Rating: A+



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INTERMISSION

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**Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p56225)**

by **paula** » Tue May 10, 2011 11:25 pm

INTERMISSION....

Laura was able to join us for the show and after the show.. we frantically jumped over construction site fences to get her to her train 🚂



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Markus gazing adoringly 🐤



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Shout out to Ed....we saw you Ed..tried to get your attention..waving frantically but you were quite involve in your conversation.. 😊



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## Re: Dusty tribute concert at RAH- TICKETS ON SALE (#p56226)

by **paula** » Tue May 10, 2011 11:47 pm

Second Half...

I would like to add that we thought the chorus was very under utilized...many spots they could have filled in nicely

first up...Hazel O'Connor performing ICMEACTT...now, this was not Dusty's version...it was really Marianne Faithful's version...I liked it though..she put her heart into it.

Rating: Markus C+ / me & nancy A-



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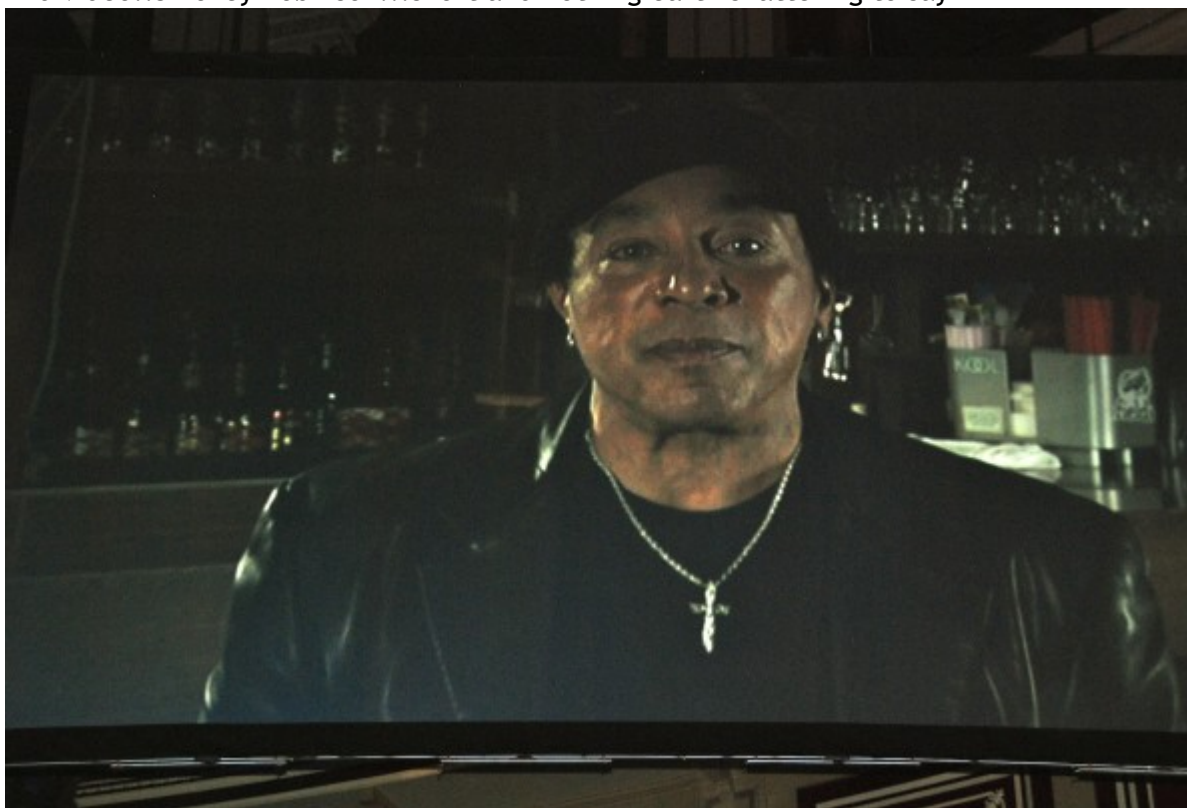
next up was Rick Astley singing 'The Look of Love'...it's hard to accept any version of this song aside from Dusty's but I thought the arrangement was well done ...sax player included and he didn't overkill the vocals Rating: B+





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2nd video..Smokey Robinson...short and nothing earth shattering to say 🗨️



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On saunters the sexy, sultry Shelby Lynn performing her slower version of 'I Only Want To Be With You'

many may not like this version but our group though it was one of the highlights of the night . good crowd response 🎵 Rating: A



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An even better crowd response was given to Julie Felix singing...yes ..straight from DD.. '24 Hours from Tulsa' w/ her additional Dusty song (sang at DD)...The only one to speak up about how great Dusty was ...Julie always has something to say from the heart on Dusty..I love her for it. ❤️ Rating : A



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time for dinner...to be continued

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