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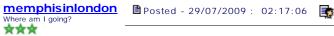
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Dusty In Concert: : The LTD Reviews

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I'm being very presumptuous I know, but Liz inspired me by posting a memory of an energetic joy filled Dusty singing 'Dancing In The Streets' in concert. I know quite a few of our original fans have (of course) been to see Dusty many times.

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We get snippets and jewels that get lost after a while. We've recently had a to die for photo of Dusty in Concert from Cas. We also now have Carole DayDreamer's fab There's A Lady On the Stage thread for photos of Dusty in concert or singing live. I've seen good reviews from Mary, Marty and Frances but I don't know where they are now.

Well, I wondered if anyone would grace us with their memories of Dusty in concert. From full concert reviews down to snap shot memories of something really special about Dusty that night (or day) that you'll never, ever forget. And those that know where they have posted reviews or descriptions here before could just cut and paste what they've shared with us already. It will be a tremendous treat to have some Dusty In Concert reviews in one place on LTD.

Memphis

Ever since we met...

Posted - 29/07/2009: 11:33:37





Will Wasn't born to follow



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posts, would they mind if it is used on the LTD website? Such gems as these deserve to be preserved and shared.

And I wonder if I might also be presumptuous and ask that if anyone

Will

"..a voice on the travelling wind and a glimpse of a face at morning.."

Baby Blue



Wasn't born to follow ****





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Will if any of my Dusty posts are appropriate from the Dusty Memories Thread, please feel free too use them. Same goes for the photograph.

I've taken pictures of my Grande Finale Poster and my autograph, trying to find them at the moment!

Marty

Edited by - Baby Blue on 29/07/2009 18:52:22



That's very generous -thank you, Marty:)

Will

"..a voice on the travelling wind and a glimpse of a face at morning.."



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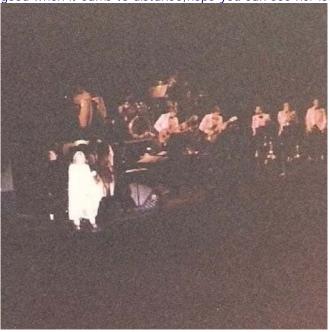
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Memphis The Link of Memories of Dusty is where we all put our stories of seeing Dusty in concert.. Although I never put pictures of the concert that me and Mary saw her here they are at the GREEK Theatre..We went twice she was fabulous as you know.We also saw her at a club at the Plaza Hotel where we saw her so close we could of touched her. We didn't take a camera because we taught they wouldn't let us in, that's what we get for thinking

The pictures look like we were far but back then cameras were not so good when it came to distance, hope you can see her looks kind of Burr





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Frances did you also see Dusty at the Plaza Hotel in New York Please share your memories! I would love to compare! I almost think they pictures were not permitted, especially since none ever surfaced throughout the years. Like you I didn't bring my camera.

I was shocked when someone brought a cassette recorder at the Grande Finale. I always wondered if they could have been personal friends of Dusty's. Although they sat at my table, the were very quiet and kept to themselves. To the best of my memory there were four couples sitting at a table, we chatted with the other two couples.

Oh that reminds meo, anyone who has that copy of Dusty at the Grande Finale, IF you listen EXTREMELY closely, you can hear me on the CD saying "I doubt it" in the very begining! I was responding to a question from one of the other couples asking if I think we could get a copy of the CD. I think it's me screaming one of the MORES at the end of the CD too, as Dusty is taking her bows.

Now how many other's out there can say that they appear on the same CD as Dusty!

Marty

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Hi Marty, no we saw her at The Plaza Hotel in Los Anegles. My mother, Mary and I sat in the front tables so we had the table to ourselves it sat 4 people. The tables were covered in white tablecloth very fancy. So when did you see her?? We saw her in 1972...Wasn't she just wonderful.When we saw her at the Greek Theatre, Peter Allen was playing on the same bill. That was in the 1980s..

Frances @



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Baby Blue Where am I going?



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And thank you Will. It's my pleasure!

Posted - 30/07/2009: 04:40:02

Marty



Originally posted by Will

That's very generous -thank you, Marty:)

Will

"..a voice on the travelling wind and a glimpse of a face at morning.."

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daydreamer



Posted - 30/07/2009: 09:10:19



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Carole x

"There's a part of you that's a part of me..."

Edited by - daydreamer on 30/07/2009 09:11:45



dancer8595 Little by little



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Posted - 30/07/2009: 10:17:25



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Carole!

I've been sitting here for ten minutes or so trying to think of how to respond to your post, but unusually I find myself rather lost for words.



For those of us who were born much too late to have seen Dusty live or met her, and who have really only come to understand and appreciate her since her death, it is just amazing to read your memories of what it was actually like to have been in the thick of the action when she was at her glorious peak. It doesn't matter at all that your recollections are indistinct; you convey very well what the experience of seeing Dusty live was like. I think the very nature of live

music means that you don't come away with concrete, indelible momories; I went to a lot of concerts as a teenager in the 90s and there's precious little I can remember now, and what I can remember is, as you say, largely jogged by looking at photographs. Live shows are chaotic and intense and the fine detail disappears from your mind very soon afterwards.

What has obviously stayed with you is Dusty's irresistible personality. On the Talk Of The Town CD her rapport with the audience really comes across (how I love that story of the woman from Bolton who told her that she was 'wonderful live, but lousy on television' - and she tells it so well, like a true actress. (a) I find it hard to imagine seeing her live, because it's such an unreachable, unknowable thing to me, but I can imagine how very funny and natural and spontaneous she must have been in her interaction with the audience.

So thank you, Carole, for your precious memories.

Rosie x

"she's a sweetheart except when she's moody/it's hard to get through to her then..."



memphisinlondon here am I going?



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Posted - 30/07/2009: 20:53:37

Thank you Marty and Frances. Thank you, Carole. It's a total delight to read these memories of Great Times with Dusty. All that excitement. And to be picked out of the crowd by Dusty or to be close up to the stage so you got the full wonderful effect of her charisma. Or you even met her...on several occassions. Or you got her autograph in person. Even the details of the tables. The cassette recorder and Marty yelling 'More'! Omigosh!

Marty - you posted once, maybe more, about the Murray the K show.

Frances and Mary - you posted about being almost on stage with

Do you all mind if I track these down and copy them here?

Memphis

Ever since we met...

PS I've just been into Rosie's 'Your Memories of Dusty' thread. I see I even posted a memory of a concert there! Once I've read a post or posted I often can't remember exactly which thread to go back to. That's why I'd like to collect the concert memories here.

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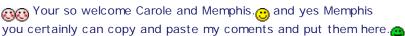


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Sue Little by little Posted - 30/07/2009: 21:17:19







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Posted - 31/07/2009: 00:30:05



How wonderful to hear all your happy memories con



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Carole, if you do get the time machine working, can i come with you?

Sue xx



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Memphis, Murray the "K" a/k/a Kaufman did ALL the Brooklyn Fox Shows. He was a DJ on 1010 WINS NEW YORK AM Radio. I probably would have not known of Dusty if it hadn't been for New York City DJ's Murray the "K" and "Cousin Brucie" Bruce Marrow on WABC AM Radio (before the FM Radio fad started).

Marty

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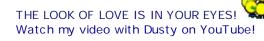




SUE COUNT ME IN THAT TIME MACHINE TOO OK? WHY OH WHY DIDN'T WE TAKE A PICTURE OF DUSTY IN THE GREEN?

I REMEMBER RON WENT WITH US TO SEE DUSTY TOOM







Posted - 01/08/2009: 15:58:13



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Carole x

"There's a part of you that's a part of me..."

Please take me back with you Carole! You are so right, all the shows we saw do roll into one, and its so easy to mix them up. We certainly were so very lucky.

Dusty was always really kind, she found time for all her fans, and was totally at ease with us.

I remember sitting at some back stage door or other watching Dusty rehearse for a show, but which show, where, and who I was with escape me.

I remember Dusty singing a request for us whilst on stage in Manchester...I think! I can still see that in my minds eye. I remember waiting in line to see her backstage in Blackpool, and being in the dressing room with a cake I had had made for her in shape of a 10, as ICMEACTT was riding high in the charts at the time. Dusty explained she probably wouldn't eat too much of the cake, but that John...her hairdresser would.

Theres lots of I do remember, but more I have forgotten as we did see her such a lot of times....wonderful years. Casx

'Something in your eyes'







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memphisinlondon Posted - 02/08/2009 : 18:44:29

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Memphis

Ever since we met...



memphisinlondon Where am I going?



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Posted - 02/08/2009: 19:04:01



These are 'cut and pastes' with a couple of spelling corrections from Rosie's Your Memories of Dusty thread. They can be found in their entirety, with all their Smilies!, here:

http://www.dustyspringfield.info/forum/topic.asp?TOPIC_ID=5156

Some of Marty's memories:

Part 1

The next time I saw Dusty was at the Brooklyn Fox. This was my very first concert. I must have been 12 or 13 years old. I begged my mother to take me there, which she did along with one of my friends. WHAT A CONCERT! Just about all of Motown was there, The Searchers, Millie Small, Jay and the Americans, Little Anthony and the Imperials, The Ronettes (Dusty shared a dressing room with them I understand. As most of you know, Martha Reeves backed up Dusty at that concert. I stayed and saw the concert twice.

The next time Dusty appeared in New York was at the Basin Street East. After doing a bit of research, I believe it was located on 48th and Lex. I was too young to see her there This is were the Buddy Rich story took place. It was well covered in the newspapers.

The next time I saw Dusty was at the Persian Room in the Plaza Hotel in New York City. She was WONDERFUL. Lot's of magic in the air that night. Her performance was truly out of this world. Where is my time machine!

The last time I saw Dusty was at the Grande Finale in New York City. The date I was originally going to see her was canceled and we did not know until we arrived at the nightclub. Management guaranteed us

front table if we would return. Little did they know that they couldn't keep me away! Sadly Dusty was recovering from a very bad cold and she was not especially in good voice. It still was great to see her again. This was the last time I ever did get to see her perform.

Part 2

I remember all of Dusty's performance's advertised or at least mentioned in all of the New York City newspapers. The New York City papers were very powerful in those days and a very strong media for advertising, especially show business related topics.

The Brooklyn Fox show was highly staged. It had to be with that huge cast. There was no room for talking. The Program was free; I still have mine. There is an inserted page on Dusty in it.

Basin Street episodes with Buddy Rich was covered daily in the New York City papers, lots of publicity.

The Persian Room at the Plaza Hotel was a super club, with a cover and a minimum. Being so new to night clubs at the time, I really did not know what that meant and we ate elsewhere before seeing Dusty. The waiter kept on coming over to us pointing to the menu, but we were far too stuffed to order anything. It really didn't matter. Although it was expensive for the time, I was there to see DUSTY! I don't recall if we even ordered any drinks. I had a one track mind that night, DUSTY, DUSTY, DUSTY:)). She surely did not leave me disappointed. In those days, I never thought of anything like going back stage: (The Plaza Hotel was/is an EXTREMELY posh hotel in New York City, I would venture to say the Savoy in London would be it's counterpart. Sadly thanks to Donald Trump much of the hotel has been turned into luxury condos, but the hotel does still exist, minus the Persian Room.

The Grande Finale was a small club, the only food item on the menu was spinach salad, which they eventually sold out on the evening I was there (first show, closing night). Yes, I did order it! I have heard Dusty make comments that spinach was all over the floor in the kitchen, as she had to cut through the kitchen to get on stage.

No, I don't think there was any Dusty merchandise being sold, as I am sure I would have bought something. It was a different era, things like that were just not done yet, no t-shirts, etc. The same went when I saw Andy Williams and Englebert Humperdick in nightclubs in Vegas around the same era.

My Grande Finale poster was a gift from a good friend, who won it on ebay. I do slightly know the original owner. Not shocking, us Dusty fans do seem to stick together!

No, Dusty did not chat much between songs. From what I recall, she told one joke at the Persian Room. Sorry I do not recall it. At the Grande Finale she spoke a bit more. She told the audience she wondered how her voice would hold out during the performance, because she was just getting over an awful cold (it didn't) . In all honesty, she probably should have delayed her performance for an addional week. She also picked on a loose string on her clothing, asking the audience if she should pull it and the audience screamed NOOOOOO! It was the white RAH outfit. I do have a CD of Dusty's performance at GF, but it is of such poor quality, it's almost impossible to listen to. A couple at my table was recording it with a 70's era cassette recorder. This is another full circle, because I always wondered if I could get a copy. In the 90's, I met a Dusty friend from Wales that made me a copy! I'd be willing to send it out to people if it still works, but honestly it is such bad quality, I don't think you'd even want it.

Some of Liz's memories:

I saw her several times in the sixties Rosie, when she first went solo from the Springfields. I had loved them from the start and was so excited when she went on her own. I went to see her on my own every time and she was brilliant. that era is my favourite of hers (and probably mine!!)

I have never lost my total fandom support for her. She was so happy and full of life on stage she used to chat a bit but was very shy and of course she was so shortsighted that she couldn't see anyone. I have always loved the big ballads she does but I also loved her doing the motown stuff. She danced all round the stage to "dancing in the street" and "Mockingbird." If you look through the archives on here there are other comments about those who saw her and met her etc.

Some of Mary's memories:

NEXT IT WAS 1972, AT THE CENTURY PLAZA WITH MY MOM AND SIS.WE HAD NICE SEATS CLOSE TO THE STAGE.DON'T ASK ME WHAT WE HAD FOR DINNER, ALL I REMEMBER IS DUSTY. WITH HER LONG WHITE DRESS, LONG HAIR, AND THAT VOICE COMING OUT OF SUCH A SMALL LADY. THE PEOPLE WERE VERY NICE.YOU COULD HEAR A PIN DROP AT THE END OF EACH SONG. YES SHE DID THE "WE ARE FAMILY" BUT IT ENDED MUCH TO SOON.

NEXT IT WAS IN THE 80'S I THINK 84 SHE HAD HER BLUE GREEN SUIT. MY SIS AND I WALKED DOWN THE STAIRS TO GET A CLOSER LOOK. ... BETWEEN SONGS SHE CHANGED INTO HER WHITE JUMP SUIT WITH (WHAT) I CALL THE CAPE WINGS ..

Some of Frances's memories:

After that we made it a point to try to see her when she did a concert. First time it was at a club at the Plaza Hotel, we were so close we could of touch her. She was fabulous, next time it was at the Greek theatre I put a picture on here some time ago from that concert then we saw her again, everyone loved her there was no disrespect.

What great memories. All those precious details. I remember that line 'we were so close we could touch her'. Blimey! That must have been something special! And I wish I could've been at the Murray the K show. Marty, if you can remember any other details about the show please share them with us as this is such an important show.

Lastly, I hope the copyright on LTD means researchers can't just come and take stuff from here without asking and without making a reference to the site. LTD is turning into a precious treasure chest.

Memphis

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Posted - 02/08/2009: 19:07:55



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No Memphis, I didn't make it myself, I actually had it made in the shape of a number 10, it was pink and white, I have a pic of it but its been mislaid with the passing of time. I will look for it but I can't promise.

Casx

'Something in your eyes'



memphisinlondon

Where am I going?



dancer8595 Little by little



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Posted - 02/08/2009: 19:17:56



Well, Cas, to have the cake made for Dusty and then to take it to her is just such a thoughtful thing to have done.

Memphis

Ever since we met...



Posted - 02/08/2009: 19:31:33

Memphis - the issue of copyright has crossed my mind too. LTD is indeed turning into a precious treasure chest and what has been written here and on other threads needs to be protected I think.

I'm so enjoying reading this thread. It makes my spine tingle and my heart beat a little faster. You can read any number of books and magazine articles but it's the memories directly from the fans who were there at the time that really count. It's especially important to me to know that Dusty really was a lovely, friendly person with a wicked sense of humour and an irresistible personality, and that really comes across in everything that everybody's written. This is why I am fan of Dusty in the all-consuming way that I am, and that I'm sure we all are: it isn't just that I love her music and her voice, it's because I love her.

There is an enormous, endless gulf between Dusty's live performances and me that cannot ever be crossed. I'm so grateful to everybody who's posted here, because I now feel that I have a little golden link to the past that I didn't have before.

Thank you. 🚗



Rosie x

"she's a sweetheart except when she's moody/it's hard to get through to her then..."



memphisinlondon

Posted - 02/08/2009: 19:35:35



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Memphis Ever since we met...

Yes, I love her too.



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Cardiff Bluesgirl I'll try anything



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well thats it really folks, we love HER. I think everyone feels the same that its just something about Dusty.

as Nancy put on the car stickers,

"its a Dusty Springfield thing, you wouldnt understand" its not the voice or the look or anything in isolation its that she is the real deal in every sense.

as a teenage girl I can still remember how I felt coming out of the concert hall, I had seen Dusty and I just loved her.

Originally posted by memphisinlondon

Yes, I love her too



Ever since we met...

"every day I find you're in my heart and on my mind"

liz.





United Kingdom

Posted - 02/08/2009: 21:26:28

Liz, i love that line; 'It's a Dusty Springfield thing, you wouldn't understand'......that just about sums it all up. I've been trying to convince friends for just over a year now, and trying to fathom just why this has happened to me at an age when i really should know better.....

BUT.....i'm loving it, and Dusty, more and more each day, with every little story, every photograph and memory to go with it. It's not just a singer with an amazing voice, it's her humour, her personality, and it comes across in everything she did, and there is/was simply nobody quite like her.

Sue xx





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Thanks for those wonderful memories Cas.!

Chris



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Posted - 04/08/2009: 03:39:39

Let me add Chapter 3 to my Dusty story...

I know I have posted this before, hope some of you don't mind reading it once again! I became a fan of Dusty's ever since I first heard I Only Want To Be With You on the radio and been a fan most of my life. I

use to stay up late, with my transistor radio hidden under my pillow waiting for Murray the K to play I Just Don't Know What To Do With Myself before I could fall asleep.

Dusty appeared at Stern's Department Store in New York City for an autograph signing and to promote her upcoming Brooklyn Fox Concert. The autograph signing was like a press conference with Dusty walking up and down a long runway with fans raising their hands with various questions while Dusty answered them very politely. Dusty did not pick me to ask her a question. I attempted to get on line with an autograph book, but security would not let me and insisted that I must buy a record. The two that were being sold were Wishin and Hopin and the album I Only Want to Be With You/Stay Awhile. I tried to explain that I already had all her records at home. They thought that I didn't have the money to buy anything and security felt a bit sorry for me, I guess. They told me that I can meet Dusty at Woolworth's which was located next door to Stern's. She will be at the Dish Department! I did buy another copy of the 45 Wishin and Hopin, which probably is one of the best purchases I ever made:). As Dusty was signing my 45, I said Dusty trying to get her attention, but she didn't respond. I gently tapped her on her arm and she looked up and smiled. I asked her when I Just Don't Know What To Do With Myself will be released in America. She relied that it wasn't. Dusty must have noticed how disappointed I was because she quickly added but it's going to be on upcoming album. She turned around to two ladies for confirmation and they both seemed to agree. I went on telling her how much I love that song. Afterwards, I did look for Dusty in Woolworth's, but couldn't find her there.

I often wonder who were those other two ladies with Dusty at Stern's. When I met Pat Rhodes at Dusty Day, I asked her if one of them could

have been her. She replied that she never made that trip with Dusty. She thought one of them might have been Vicki.

Dusty did not perform that night, although fans asked her to sing. It wasn't set up for that, there was no music. It still was wonderful to meet her and talk to her for about five minutes. What can I say other than I was already hooked for life at that time:))

marty



Where am I going?



Thanks Marty. I didn't include this story because Dusty didnt sing at Stern's but I love this story just as much as I love your others. It's fabulous and thanks for sharing it.

Memphis

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My big regret is that I did not know about Dusty sooner. I heard the name, but not until I saw the documentary on cable--Definately Dusty. That peeked my interest and the rest is history as they say. She played The Roosevelt Hotel in New Orelans (now the Fairmont, I think) for several performances. I was over there a lot in those years. Had I known, I would have taken vacation and seen everyone of them! Seeing the tapes, reading these posts and talking to some at DD2004 she was a great performer. A great voice and a great performer. She really was magic.

Linda





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