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by **Clive**

Posted: **Sat Jun 26, 2010 9:40 am**

How do you think Dusty has been treated by the media (print/radio/TV/internet) over the years?

In recent years I feel it has been overwhelmingly positive but even during her career I think there was a level of affection for Dusty in the media and she had a number of champions.


I think Dusty is on record as saying she was often misquoted but do you think this ever damaged the public's opinions of her?

How do you think the arrival of the internet has affected perceptions of Dusty?

Re: Dusty's media coverage

by **karen**

Posted: **Sat Jun 26, 2010 9:55 am**

Well difficult questions in one way Clive During Dusty 's time with us the press,didn't really chase people around like they do today, yes there were occasions where articles were printed about her, like she said she was often mis quoted, but this is done to create interest... I don't think too much damage was done to her , or her fans would not be backing her as they always have, and all the younger people who have discovered her do not seem to be put off by this. ... it is the talent , that keeps her alive, just look at the remarks about her on this site, a brilliant performer, a very charismatic person , and she was true to herself.Like everone I wish she was still with us .  [forget certain books]


Re: Dusty's media coverage

by **Carole R.**

Posted: **Sat Jun 26, 2010 5:55 pm**

Good questions Clive...

Re Dusty and the internet.. I think only good has come from the arrival of The internet..I mean we have all those Youtube clips for a a start, which anyone curious about Dusty music can access.

We also have this, Simons, and one or two other very informative Sites which provide information for the newcomer to her music and personality plus the LTD forum, which allows us to discuss certain aspects of Dusty's music/personality at length without feeling like we are 'being boring'... 

I've heard Dusty say she was often misquoted, too... I'm intrigued to know which quotes she was actually referring to?

Anyone got any ideas?..

CR xx

Re: Dusty's media coverage

by **Corinna**

Posted: **Sat Jun 26, 2010 6:06 pm**

>>'ve heard Dusty say she was often misquoted, too... I'm intrigued to know which quotes she was actually referring to?<<

Off the top of my head I seem to remember this one incident where a journalist asked if she liked jazz and had heard of Blossom Dearie. And her answer was something like "Some. Blossom Dearie has actually sung a song about me" or words to that effect. In the paper, the editor mistakenly had left out the fullstop after the "Some" (referring to if she liked jazz), so it read "Some Blossom Dearie as actually sung a song about me" which of course created a stir among jazz fans.

And I agree, the internet has only been of good to Dusty!

Re: Dusty's media coverage

by **Sue**

Posted: **Sat Jun 26, 2010 8:59 pm**

These days, i don't think there is *enough* media coverage especially when it comes to things like anniversaries ; ten years after her death etc, while it seems that John Lennon, Elvis Presley are celebrated all the time.

The internet has been brilliant for her. Not only the music clips on Youtube but the interviews too. Then we have places like Amazon where you can get most of her CD's, books and DVD's and even get to see what other people have to say about it. I would be completely lost without the internet as i'm sure we all would.

Sue xx

Re: Dusty's media coverage

by **Tommy Stevens**

Posted: **Wed Jun 30, 2010 12:45 am**

Sue wrote:

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Sue xx

You're setting the bar pretty high there. Elvis and The Beatles were the two most popular acts in the last 60 years. Hardly anyone is going to be celebrated like them. Michael Jackson. Jimi Hendrix. Probably Mick Jagger after he dies. Maybe Diana Ross, though I doubt it.

I think Dusty doesn't do badly. She's better remembered than Sandie Shaw or Lulu, and they're still alive.

Re: Dusty's media coverage

by **humboldt**

Posted: **Wed Jun 30, 2010 9:01 am**

Following on from Tommy's last sentence Dusty is more famous & well regarded than her peers *because* she died. It's ironic that if she had still been with us LTD and all the books, CD's & DVD releases that we have had in the last 11 years may never have happened. As I see it when an artist like Dusty dies the existing fan base goes into mourning and the demand for product goes up. The media interest introduces new fans and so the cycle continues. This happened many years ago with the likes of Jimi Hendrix & Janis Joplin both of whom still have a very strong & active following.

All artists maintain that they have been misquoted by the press, it's a fact of life and good PR. I think that on the whole Dusty's media coverage has been very positive & supportive. If you are famous skeletons will fall out of the cupboard, that's another fact of life and Dusty was no different. In her case they just made me love & understand her more.