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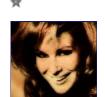
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This is so difficult and subjective, but I saw a posting by Carole from a few weeks ago - the subject was of course the 10th anniversary of Dusty's passing. Carole mentions James Walsh of Starsailor stating on British radio that he rated Dusty ahead of Aretha Franklin, because she lacked the "understatedness" that Dusty possessed. Pretty good point! Also, as great as Aretha is, Dusty I think was more versatile. All of this reminds me of what I read in Dusty's bio about how, when she came to America, she felt kind of insecure and may even have had somewhat of a inferiority complex regarding Aretha and the other American greats. I couldn't understand this, since I feel she was just as great as any of them. Who was "greatest'? The real point is Dusty was (is) among the greatest ever. Guess that's all that's fair to say. And btw, Carole concluded by attaching a You Tube clip of Elton John singing "I Only Want To Be With You" as a tribute to Dusty right after her death. First time I saw this and it got to me, and my eyes started to well up a little - And I'm not a bit ashamed to admit it!

Michael





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>>I couldn't understand this, since I feel she was just as great as any of them .. <<

Have you ever been for an interview and been quite unsure how well you have done? Or compared yourself to someone you think does a particular thing better than you do? I think that is how it was with Dusty in that situation. It's fine us looking in to the situation and thinking how great she was - her perspective was far more subjective (and introverted) and unaffected (positively, at least) by what others may have thought. Self-perception is far more powerful than the perception of others.

Will.

"..so catch me if you can - I'm goin' back.."

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Yes, Will - I've been in that interview situation more time than I would have liked. Same with comparisons with others doing the same thing I did. Your right - I'm sure that was the way Dusty may have felt. I only meant to say how I feel, as someone looking on admiringly and affectionately.

Michael



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Oh yes I realise that and there is absolutely no doubting your affection and admiration for Dusty:)

I only wish you'd joined us here on LTD ages ago!! :)

Will

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Michael Muccino





Thanks, Will! I also wish I had joined much sooner. All of you guys have been really great. Michael



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mssdusty I've got a good thing



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HI MICHAEL GOOD TO HAVE YOU WITH US NOW.







memphisinlondon









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Hi Michael

Although you say Aretha is 'great' I wasn't persuaded you really meant it. I was wondering what music you listen to apart from Dusty and what your favourite Dusty tracks are so far.

I think Dusty's nervousness was entirely understandable. Dusty is on record, as late as the 1980s, saying that if there is a greatest singer then it's Aretha. I listened to a lot of Aretha last year because of Dusty. I can go with Dusty's judgement. Talking about Dusty and Aretha in the same breath is a mark of how great Dusty was. They are different and supremely gifted. Both can astonish me if I really listen. Of course I prefer to listen to Dusty.

If I could sing and got the chance to record at Atlantic's New York studio in the exact place where Dusty recorded her 'Dusty in Memphis' vocals I would be too awestruck to sing a note!

I listened to that Elton John track only last week and I welled up too because Elton really sang that song. It's the best cover of the song I've ever heard.

Memphis

Ever since we met...



Michael Muccino Little by little



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Hello Memphis!

Don't quite understand why you would say you aren't persuaded I meant it when I said Aretha is great. In fact, I feel she's one of the greatest ever - And have felt so for quite a long time. But maybe I wasn't exactly clear, and if that's the case I apologize. But I did say



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that it's very subjective, and that I would choose Dusty - I don't apologize for that! Just my personal opinion. But the other important point I was trying to highlight was that I feel that James Walsh had a very interesting point.

Talk to You Soon! Michael



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Hi Michael

There's no need for an apology. I was just intrigued why you focused on versatilty to set these two Greats apart. Both were versatile. But Dusty was very, very versatile. Perhaps too versatile at the end of the day. But that's the reason why I never get bored with her.

Memphis

Ever since we met...



Cardiff Bluesgirl I'll try anything



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maybe Aretha had better hats (see Obama inaug!!!) but singer wise it has to be our girl for me.

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

liz.







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I really do not undersand why everyone claims Aretha is GREAT, as far as I'm concerned she is good, but hardly NOT GREAT. I like some of her stuff but not all. I know I'm probably the odd one out here, but so be

On the other hand, Dusty Springfield at her best was/is Beyond Great. Simply Superb!!!!!!



Marty

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misty



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But that is precisely the joy of music - we all have different tastes and different favourites. Thank God for it, too - imagine if we all agreed on everything!:)

Will

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I'm with Marty. Some of Aretha's songs appeal but not all. Dusty always has IT! Guess we all preceive differently - and that is great.

misty



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Michael Muccino Little by little



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I think that everyone who has posted a message after my original one here has proved my original point, and why I love talking with you guys so much - That this is so subjective - There is no right or wrong answer - Just our own personal opinions on the matter. And personally, I've really gotten some pretty good insights from all of you. Thanks a

Michael







Marty - I just posted another message on the "If You Could Tell Her" forum, and I hadn't seen your message that you wondered if I actually was around in the '60's as an original Dusty fan. Actually Marty, I was also around in the '50's!

Bless You! I Love You For That!

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Michael



Baby Blue Where am I going?



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LOL Michael, so was I.

Marty

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Originally posted by Michael Muccino

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