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US TV Burt Bacharach' Pic Debuts on PBS June 1 (#p122631)

by **edjames** » Wed May 29, 2013 5:22 pm

For Dusty's fans in the states...this just released in today's news:

- For over half a century, the immensely popular and immediately identifiable melodies of composer Burt Bacharach have touched millions of music lovers around the world. Bacharach established himself in the 1960s as a topical successor to his Tin Pan Alley predecessors, creating some of the most beloved and successful pop music ever to grace radio, television and film. Hosted by Robert Wagner, this first-time ever archival PBS special includes all the original artists performing Bacharach's hits with rare footage and clips from the 1960s -1980s. MY MUSIC: BURT BACHARACH'S BEST premieres on PBS stations beginning June 1, 2013 (check local listings).

(Photo: <http://photos.prnewswire.com/prnh/20130528/PH20955> (<http://photos.prnewswire.com/prnh/20130528/PH20955>))

Bacharach teamed with lyricist Hal David for a stunning run of classic songs, many in tandem with Dionne Warwick (Walk On By, I Say A Little Prayer, Alfie). British songbird Dusty Springfield introduced the seductive standard The Look Of Love while Tom Jones popularized the playful What's New Pussycat?, Herb Alpert romanticized with This Guy's In Love With You and Jackie DeShannon touched hearts with the iconic What The World Needs Now Is Love. The smashes continued in the seventies when The Carpenters reached #1 with (They Long To Be) Close To You, following another number one evergreen, Raindrops Keep Fallin' On My Head, the Oscar-winning tune sung by B.J. Thomas in the film Butch Cassidy & The Sundance Kid. Soul-pop ensemble The Fifth Dimension presents the sultry ballad One Less Bell To Answer.

The 1980s witnessed more Bacharach chart-toppers such as Arthur's Theme by Christopher Cross and That's What Friends Are For by Dionne Warwick, Stevie Wonder, Gladys Knight & Elton John. Burt Bacharach continues to perform concerts across the globe and his autobiography, Anyone Who Had A Heart, has just been published by HarperCollins.

FYI..the book has several references to Dusty but no meaningful passages of Burt and Dusty together. He is quite respectful of her memory. I wouldn't waste my time on buying the book, but suggest you do what I did. Drop into your local bookstore and spend a few minutes perusing it.

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Re: US TV Burt Bacharach' Pic Debuts on PBS June 1 (#p122775)

by **mnmcv1** » Thu May 30, 2013 4:33 pm

thanks for the heads up, Ed (about the special AND the book!)
will definitely check the special out.

I must admit when Dionne's book came out I did the same thing- popped into a bookstore and skimmed to the Dusty references. And she spoke quite glowingly of Dusty! (of course...she then segued into her adverse feelings toward Cilla...)

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Re: US TV Burt Bacharach' Pic Debuts on PBS June 1 (#p122781)

by **daydreamer** » Thu May 30, 2013 5:17 pm

I have the book on order as I'm a Bacharach fan anyway and there just hasn't been a bio before and I want to read it for that reason. I really hope we in the UK get to see this special and I believe there is a Dusty clip we haven't seen before.

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Re: US TV Burt Bacharach' Pic Debuts on PBS June 1 (#p122811)

by **edjames** » Fri May 31, 2013 2:59 am

I have been told by good sources that Jim Pierson, who produced the special, has included a "rare" video clip of Dusty singing Look of Love which is described as "very moving." Guess I'll be glued to the TV on Saturday night.

Jim Pierson has been involved in a number of Dusty projects and is a big fan of Dusty.

(Personally I'd be happy with the Gypsy camp inspired Red Skelton clip...LOL)

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Re: US TV Burt Bacharach' Pic Debuts on PBS June 1 (#p122812)

by **edjames** » Fri May 31, 2013 3:11 am

Carole, a DVD of this special is available, with extras. It will be offered by PBS stations during the program to help support of public television channels.

I would imagine it'll eventually be available on Amazon and EBay.

Here is one link:

<https://secure.wttw.com/catalog/detail?productid=PBURTP> (<https://secure.wttw.com/catalog/detail?productid=PBURTP>)

Also, preview clips of the program are available at:

<http://video.pbs.org/video/2365018167/> (<http://video.pbs.org/video/2365018167/>)

Not The Look of Love but a stunning substitute!!!

A great pic of Dusty and Burt in this article:

[http://www.witf.org/on-air/2013/05/burt ... s-best.php](http://www.witf.org/on-air/2013/05/burt...s-best.php) (<http://www.witf.org/on-air/2013/05/burt-bacharachs-best.php>)

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Re: US TV Burt Bacharach' Pic Debuts on PBS June 1 (#p122972)

by **edjames** » Sun Jun 02, 2013 1:23 am

Saturday night and I just finished watching the Burt Bacharach's Best PBS Special on one of our local public channels. It will be repeated tomorrow night on another, so we're in for a marathon run of this show as PBS repeats everything over and over.

Yes, Dusty, in an extremely rare clip, lip syncs Look Of Love from her 21 February 1968 appearance on the Jonathan Winters show. It's been 45 years since I had seen that performance! i remember it clearly because of the the gigantic pics of Dusty being moved around the stage behind her. She looks wonderful in a glittery blue dress with green trim and one of her signature big do's.

The rest of the show is a tribute of b&D hit congs from various TV shows featuring Dionne Warwick, BJ Thomas, Tom Jones, The Carpenters, Herb Alpert and others. One of the closing clips is Dusty and Burt's magical A House Is Not A Home duet.

Since the show is being presented during one of the frequent pledge drives for PBS the accompanying CD and DVD are offered.

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Re: US TV Burt Bacharach' Pic Debuts on PBS June 1 (#p123028)

by **Britpop** » Sun Jun 02, 2013 1:58 pm

I caught the end of the show last night, and saw the repeat on another channel this morning. Being aired tonight on Channel 13 here in NY, now I understand the confusion created by all the different listings and times. Great to see her though, fabulous and and gorgeous as always. AHINAH..the best.

Sarah.

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Re: US TV Burt Bacharach' Pic Debuts on PBS June 1 (#p123118)

by **mnmcv1** » Mon Jun 03, 2013 7:48 pm

I was able to catch the performance last minute, and grabbed my phone and took some quick shots. They dont nearly do it justice but I figure for those who've never seen the clip they might enjoy the pics.

Attachments

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Re: US TV Burt Bacharach' Pic Debuts on PBS June 1 (#p123120)by **darren2722** » Mon Jun 03, 2013 7:57 pm

Wow! Absolutely Gorgeous. ❤️ Thanks Markus. 🙌

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Re: US TV Burt Bacharach' Pic Debuts on PBS June 1 (#p123122)by **Frans** » Mon Jun 03, 2013 8:45 pm

Indeed, thank you Markus!

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Re: US TV Burt Bacharach' Pic Debuts on PBS June 1 (#p123124)by **neonouille** » Mon Jun 03, 2013 8:52 pm

Thank you Markus! 🙌🙌 I didn't have the chance to watch this performance. I hope it will be on Youtube or a website like that. 🙌

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Re: US TV Burt Bacharach' Pic Debuts on PBS June 1 (#p123138)by **Cas19** » Tue Jun 04, 2013 4:40 am

Thank you very much Markus, you did great! Would have loved to have seen this.

Casx

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Re: US TV Burt Bacharach' Pic Debuts on PBS June 1 (#p123167)by **karen** » Tue Jun 04, 2013 8:10 am

Thanks Markus , great that you caught these...lovely to see them.. 🙌🙌

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Re: US TV Burt Bacharach' Pic Debuts on PBS June 1 (#p123626)by **neonouille** » Sun Jun 09, 2013 12:39 am

Oh no! 😞 I realized I could watch the show 2 hours after the end of the last broadcast. 🙌

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Re: US TV Burt Bacharach' Pic Debuts on PBS June 1 (#p123640)by **daydreamer** » Sun Jun 09, 2013 7:04 am

Thank you for the photo's Markus, I think she looks amazing, almost identical to how she looked when Cas and I saw her at the Castaways's Club in Birmingham, same dress, same hair 🙌



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Hoping somehow get to view the clip in the not too distant future. And what a great set with all those photos!

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Re: US TV Burt Bacharach' Pic Debuts on PBS June 1 (#p123731)

by **Paula** » Mon Jun 10, 2013 2:39 am

That PBS web site drove me crazy...showed the specials everywhere but couldn't find air dates anywhere , just the date at the end of the month when the viewing would end. 😞

Anyway, caught the last few songs last night ..inc. HINAH. I saw it was airing again today at 3:30 and forgot about it until 4, which means I missed LOL. I did see snippets of it during the fundraising ads....which were many. I wanted to record it but I don't think it's scheduled for another date.

Anyway, about the book...I think Burt B. is a musical genius and it is must Bio for me. Dusty being a part of his musical history just makes it more worth it.

nice shots, Marcus 📷

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Re: US TV Burt Bacharach' Pic Debuts on PBS June 1 (#p123837)

by **BornTooLate** » Tue Jun 11, 2013 12:42 am

So...uh...did anyone happen to catch a certain Leslie Duncan recording a backing track during the end credits? She was one of three backing singers. Bacharach was conducting the orchestra and they were recording for "Always Something There to Remind Me" (not sure what version, though...the film was in color and his hair was too gray for it to be early '60s). If anyone noticed this, chime in.

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Re: US TV Burt Bacharach' Pic Debuts on PBS June 1 (#p123838)

by **BornTooLate** » Tue Jun 11, 2013 1:18 am

It's from "Burt Bacharach Plays his Hits" (ya know- the one that was among Austin Powers' belongings when cryogenically frozen?) Or at least I think it is.


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Re: US TV Burt Bacharach' Pic Debuts on PBS June 1 (#p123952)

by **jeffery** » Wed Jun 12, 2013 2:21 am

BornTooLate wrote:

So...uh...did anyone happen to catch a certain Leslie Duncan recording a backing track during the end credits? She was one of three backing singers. Bacharach was conducting the orchestra and they were recording for "Always Something There to Remind Me" (not sure what version, though...the film was in color and his hair was too gray for it to be early '60s). If anyone noticed this, chime in.

 Yes, I saw her (Leslie), and I was freaking on the back-group's big hair. I'd really like to see the DVD complete with the extended 15 minutes. The show lost continuity as it

was interrupted at least 4 times for the PBS fund drive pitch.

I'm glad they chose to include AHINAH, and make comment on the drama Dusty delivered.

And I thought Ed Sullivan's showering B.J. Thomas during his rendition of RDKFOMH was absurd and uncalled for.

I didn't recognize the gal harmonizing with Burt, and Christopher Cross.

Please tell me who she was. (vaguely familiar, but couldn't come up with her name)

Is this the Austin Powers and Burt clip mentioned. I went wild the first time I saw it.

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