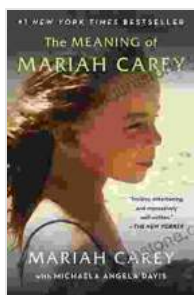


# The Enduring Meaning of Mariah Carey: A Cultural Phenomenon

Mariah Carey is an American singer, songwriter, record producer, actress, and businesswoman. She is known for her five-octave vocal range, her melismatic style of singing, and her signature whistle register. Carey is the best-selling female artist of all time, with over 200 million records sold worldwide. She has won five Grammy Awards, 19 American Music Awards, and a Billboard Icon Award. Carey's music has been praised for its emotional depth, its technical virtuosity, and its crossover appeal. She is considered one of the greatest singers of all time.



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## Early life and career

Mariah Carey was born on March 27, 1969, in Huntington, New York. Her mother, Patricia, was a former opera singer, and her father, Alfred Roy Carey, was an aeronautical engineer. Carey's parents divorced when she was three years old, and she was raised by her mother and stepfather.

Carey began singing at a young age, and she performed in her church choir. She also took piano lessons and studied music theory. Carey's early influences included R&B, soul, and gospel music.

In 1988, Carey met Tommy Mottola, the head of Columbia Records. Mottola was impressed by Carey's vocal abilities, and he signed her to a recording contract. Carey's debut album, *Mariah Carey*, was released in 1990. The album was a commercial success, and it spawned four number-one singles: "Vision of Love," "Love Takes Time," "Someday," and "I Don't Wanna Cry." Carey's success continued with her second album, *Emotions*, which was released in 1991. The album featured the hit singles "Emotions," "Can't Let Go," and "Make It Happen." Carey's third album, *Music Box*, was released in 1993. The album was a critical and commercial success, and it spawned the hit singles "Dreamlover," "Hero," and "Without You." Carey's fourth album, *Merry Christmas*, was released in 1994. The album was a commercial success, and it spawned the hit single "All I Want for Christmas Is You." Carey's fifth album, *Daydream*, was released in 1995. The album was a critical and commercial success, and it spawned the hit singles "Fantasy," "One Sweet Day," and "Always Be My Baby." Carey's sixth album, *Butterfly*, was released in 1997. The album was a critical and commercial success, and it spawned the hit singles "Honey," "My All," and "The Roof." Carey's seventh album, *Rainbow*, was released in 1999. The album was a critical and commercial success, and it spawned the hit singles "Heartbreaker," "Thank God I Found You," and "Can't Take That Away." Carey's eighth album, *Glitter*, was released in 2001. The album was a commercial failure, and it spawned the hit single "Loverboy." Carey's ninth album, *Charmbracelet*, was released in 2002. The album was a commercial success, and it spawned the hit singles "Through the Rain" and "Boy (I Need You)." Carey's tenth album, *The Emancipation of Mimi*, was

released in 2005. The album was a critical and commercial success, and it spawned the hit singles "It's Like That," "We Belong Together," and "Shake It Off." Carey's eleventh album, *E=MC<sup>2</sup>*, was released in 2008. The album was a critical and commercial success, and it spawned the hit singles "Touch My Body," "Bye Bye," and "I'll Be Lovin' U Long Time." Carey's twelfth album, *Memoirs of an Imperfect Angel*, was released in 2009. The album was a commercial failure, and it spawned the hit single "Obsessed." Carey's thirteenth album, *Merry Christmas II You*, was released in 2010. The album was a commercial success, and it spawned the hit single "Oh Santa!" Carey's fourteenth album, *Me. I Am Mariah... The Elusive Chanteuse*, was released in 2014. The album was a commercial failure, and it spawned the hit single "You're Mine (Eternal)."

## **Personal life**

Mariah Carey has been married twice. She was married to Tommy Mottola from 1993 to 1998. She was married to Nick Cannon from 2008 to 2016. Carey has two children, Moroccan and Monroe, with Cannon. Carey has also been romantically linked to Derek Jeter, Luis Miguel, and Bryan Tanaka. Carey is a Christian. She is also a vegetarian. Carey has been open about her struggles with mental health, including bipolar disorder. Carey is a supporter of various charities, including the Fresh Air Fund and the Make-A-Wish Foundation. Carey is also a vocal advocate for LGBTQ rights.

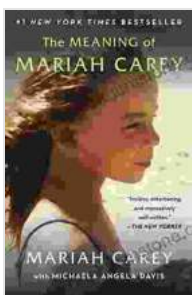
## **Legacy**

Mariah Carey is one of the most successful and influential singers of all time. She has sold over 200 million records worldwide, and she has won numerous awards, including five Grammy Awards, 19 American Music

Awards, and a Billboard Icon Award. Carey's music has been praised for its emotional depth, its technical virtuosity, and its crossover appeal. She is considered one of the greatest singers of all time. Carey's legacy extends beyond her music. She is also a successful businesswoman, and she has launched several fragrances and clothing lines. Carey is also a philanthropist, and she has supported various charities throughout her career. Carey is a role model for many people, and she is an inspiration to singers and musicians around the world.

Mariah Carey is a cultural phenomenon. She is one of the most successful and influential singers of all time. Her music has touched the lives of millions of people, and her legacy will continue to inspire generations to come.





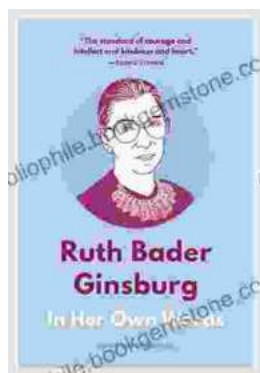
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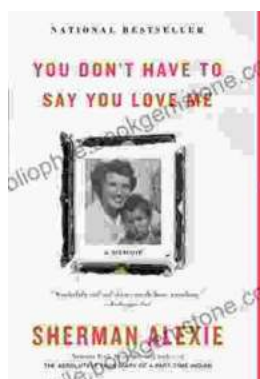
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