

# BARBRIA DEÁNNE

It's no exaggeration to call Barbria DeÁnne is a born entertainer and a prolific Singer / Songwriter. As a child, she was surrounded by a harmonious family; all of whom were gifted in their own right, and made beautiful music together.

Having been a vocalist nearly all of her life, Barbria began singing at the ripe young age of three with her three older sisters. That musical chord runs consistently throughout the family, as Barbria's earliest and strongest influences was...

- her mother, Barbara Darleen Grant-Haynes; whose songwriting talents were produced by Sam Cooke and was the first single released on his label, SAR Records {1960, He Cares - The Soul Stirrers featuring Johnny Taylor},
- her father, James L. Haynes; who was a member of the singing group "The Optimistic Quartet,"
- Earma Jean Grant-Thompson; a cousin and Queen of Classic Jazz Piano who played with such artists as Billy Holiday, Duke Ellington, Aretha Franklin;
- Marshall Thompson; a cousin and Grammy award winning singer with the Chi-Lites, and
- Tony Haynes; a cousin and Grammy award winning Songwriter and Poet.

In search of the training that would enable her to artfully develop, and take full command of her abilities, Barbria sang Gospel music in the church and later branched out and began studying classical music. After studying classical music Barbria began studying the classics which included Billie Holiday, Ella Fitzgerald and her all time favorite Aretha Franklin. Barbria began her songwriting career after being encouraged by her band leader. In an effort to see how well received her songwriting talents would be, Barbria entered her song into a songwriting competition and won 1st place her first time at bat.

Barbria began at a very early age building the foundation of what has now become a very promising career. Throughout her career Barbria has performed with such industry giants as Earth, Wind and Fire, R. Kelly, The Late Ray Charles, Mike Phillips, Karen Briggs, Dorothy Donegan, Enchantment, Comedians; Bill Cosby, The Late Bernie Mac and numerous others.

Currently, Barbria continues to build on her strong foundation. As a graduate of the Art Institute of Atlanta and a degree in Music Entertainment Management under her belt. Barbria takes her knowledge of the Music industry and applies them to her daily dealings with her own company where she is Chief Executive Officer of Barbi-Tone Entertainment. In addition to working on her company, she also finds the time to perform consistently and reach out to fans around the world. Barbria DeÁnne maintains that she has not yet discovered what it is she can't do, and with the release of her new single (If I Could Write A Letter To Heaven) Barbria is soaring to new heights.

Barbria DeÁnne has combined her God given talents to create a talented individual who is a triple threat. Barbria has a goal, she is focused, determined and is a talent whom the world deserves to hear. Keep an eager ear out for this treasure for her talents are truly platinum.