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Michael Bublé is a prominent Canadian singer, songwriter and actor. This young and energetic singer had set his eyes on the world of jazz since childhood. With great jazz legends like Tony Bennett, Frank Sinatra, Rosemary Clooney and Ella Fitzgerald being his inspirations, Michael Bublé followed their footsteps and became a successful classic jazz and soul singer. This Canada-born Grammy-winning singer has won the hearts of a million fans worldwide through his soothing voice and unique style. He credits his ever increasing-fame to his grandfather, who opened him up to the world of music and brought him numerous opportunities to showcase his talent to various artists and celebrities, thereby shaping his career and future. It was through his granddad's collection of records of jazz and soul music that inspired him to take up singing seriously and become a vocalist at such a tender age, something that musicians struggle for years to achieve. His moving and expressive voice went on to break several records on Canadian, American, Australian, and European album charts, with every new studio album. Apart from being a jazz vocalist, he has ventured into acting and songwriting as well, besides taking up several television projects. This singing sensation has won a number of Canadian and international awards for his songs.

- Michael Steven Bublé was born on September 9, 1975 in Burnaby city, British Columbia, as the eldest of the three kids, to salmon fisherman Lewis Bublé and Amber. Since his father was always at the sea fishing, he was brought up by his mother and Italian grandfather, Demetrio Santaga, who introduced him to the world of music and played a major role in shaping up his singing career.
- His talent was noticed by his family during Christmas, when he was 13, while performing on Bing Crosby's 'White Christmas', after which he took singing classes for vocal training. He first performed on-stage at 16 at a nightclub.

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- In order to let the young Bublé perform on-stage with local musicians and showcase his talent, his grandfather would offer free plumbing services at clubs.
- He participated and won a local talent contest, but was later disqualified since he was underage. However, the organizer, impressed by his talent, suggested him to participate in the Canadian Youth Talent Search, which he won subsequently.

- with Elvis's role in the musical 'Red Rock Diner', in Vancouver, in 1996. Here, he met singer and dancer, Debbie Timuss, with whom he shifted to Toronto in 1998 and performed in the musical 'Forever Swing'.
- He debuted on national television, in 1997, with the award-winning 'Bravo!' documentary 'Bid Band Boom!'
- His major break came in 2000 when he was noticed by Michael McSweeney, advisor to former Canadian Prime Minister, Brian Mulroney, who circulated the young aspirant's albums.
- Impressed with his talent, the Prime Minister and his wife invited him to perform at their daughter's wedding, who then introduced him to Grammy-winning producer and Warner Brothers music executive, David Foster.
- He debuted on the silver screen with 'Duets' (2000) starring along with Gwyneth Paltrow and Huey Lewis, followed by the airhead comedy 'Totally Blonde' (2001) and 'The Snow Walker' (2003).
- Initially hesitant, David Foster agreed to sign him to his '143 Records' label and he released his debut album 'Michael Bublé' in February 2003, which became a worldwide hit topping the Australian, UK and Canadian music charts.
- In early 2004, he released his first live DVD 'Come Fly With Me', followed by a two-disc Christmas set of tracks from his previous albums and second DVD 'Caught In The Act' (2005).
- His second studio album 'It's Time' (2005) surpassed his previous album records, selling over five million copies worldwide.
- His third studio album 'Call Me Irresponsible' (2007), which reached number one at the US and Australian music charts, was judged as the year's bestselling album.
- His third DVD 'Michael Bublé Meets Madison Square Garden', as a collection of his most significant performances, was out in June 2009.
- His fourth studio album 'Crazy Love', released in October 2009, topped the Billboard's Canadian Adult Contemporary chart and became Australia's fastest selling album.
- He appeared as a celebrity mentor in series 6 of 'The X Factor' show on ITV network, in the UK.
- He participated in the torch relay of 2010 Vancouver Winter Olympic Games ahead of the opening ceremony and performed at the closing ceremony on a modern version of the song 'Maple Leaf Forever', with other Canadian stars.
- His fifth studio album 'Christmas', released in October 2011, topped both the US and the UK charts.
- His latest studio album 'To be Loved' (April 2013) opened at number one on Billboard 200, and became the fourth consecutive album to top the chart.

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- His album 'Call Me Irresponsible' (2007) reached number one within a week at Billboard 200, a feat which was accomplished by only a few singing legends - Michael Jackson and Sugarland.
- A Starbucks Frappucino commercial launched in 2005, featuring Bublé singing 'Come Fly With Me', was released in the Starbucks edition of 'It's Time'.
- During his 'Crazy Love' Dublin tour, his performance at the Aviva Stadium saw a record-holding 51,700 spectators, his largest ever audience, with all his show tickets sold out in just one day.

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- In 2004, he won the 'New Artist of the Year' award at the Juno Awards for his self-titled debut album.
- In April 2010, he was honored with four Juno Awards – Juno Fan Choice Award, Single of the Year ('Haven't Met You Yet'), Album of the Year ('Crazy Love'), and Pop Album of the Year ('Crazy Love').
- He was awarded with three Canadian Smooth Jazz Awards – Male Vocalist of the Year, Album of the Year ('It's Time'), and Best Original Composition ('Home'), in 2006.
- In 2006, he was bestowed upon with four Juno Awards – Best Single of the Year ('Home'), Best Album of the Year ('It's Time'), Best Artist of the Year, and Best Pop Album of the Year ('It's Time').
- His album, 'Christmas' became the first holiday album to win the Juno Award for Album of the Year, in 2012.
- He won Grammy Awards in the Best Traditional Pop Vocal Album category for his albums 'Call me Irresponsible', 'Michael Bublé Meets Madison Square Garden', 'Crazy Love', and 'To Be Loved'.

- He often ends his concert by singing without a microphone, a habit that began during one of his Los Angeles shows where his microphone went out and he brought down the house with an acoustic version of 'My Funny Valentine'.
- His single 'Home' from his studio album 'It's Time' holds the record for being the most heard song on Canadian radio in 2005, with over 382 million listeners to its credit.

Michael Bublé is a Grammy-winning singer from Canada whose style is inspired by the likes of greats Tony Bennett and Frank Sinatra.

Born on September 9, 1975, in Burnaby, British Columbia, Canada, Michael Bublé is a classic jazz and soul singer who cites Stevie Wonder, Frank Sinatra and Ella Fitzgerald as his major influences. At age 17 he entered and won the British Columbia Youth Talent Search, launching his career.

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Bublé was born on September 9, 1975, in Burnaby, British Columbia. Bublé's father, Lewis, was often out at sea. This left his mother, Amber, and grandfather, Demetrio Santanga, as the primary caregivers for Bublé; and his two younger sisters, Crystal and Brandee.

Santanga's huge collection of records was the foundation of Bublé's passion for classic jazz and soul music. Thanks to famed artists such as Ella Fitzgerald, Stevie Wonder, Frank Sinatra and Tony Bennett, it wasn't too long before young Michael decided that he wanted to follow in their famous footsteps. Said Bublé, "I wanted to be a singer and I knew that this was the music that I wanted to sing."

With the encouragement of his gran dfather, Bublé entered and won a local talent contest. When the organizer, Beverly Delich, later discovered that Bublé was only 17—one year younger than the contest requirements—she disqualified him. Even still, she was so impressed by his talents that she suggested he enter the British Columbia Youth Talent Search instead. Having learned all of his grandfather's favorite tunes, Bublé entered the British Columbia competition and won.

Bublé's success prompted Delich to help him record his first independent CD. In the meantime, Santanga had spread the word that he would offer free plumbing service for anyone who could provide career opportunities for his grandson. Bublé became a regular at several local music venues.

In 1996, Bublé landed a role portraying Elvis in the Vancouver run of the musical *Red Rock Diner*, he later went on toToronto to perform in the cast of another musical revue; this time a big band effort called *Forever Swing* (1998).

Bublé's real break came during a performance at a party for Michael McSweeney, a former advisor to the Canadian prime minister. McSweeney was so impressed with Bublé's performance that he began circulating the performer's independent album, which soon fell into the hands of Prime Minister Brian Mulroney and his wife. In 2000, the couple invited Bublé to sing at their daughter's wedding. At the event, he wowed the bride and her guests with a rendition of Kurt Weill's "Mack the Knife."

During the festivities, the singer was introduced to wedding guest David Foster, a Grammy-winning producer and Warner Bros. music executive. The following year, Foster signed Bublé to the 143 Records label, and the two began work on the singer's first major-label release.

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In 2003, Bublé's first major album was released. The self-titled record was a worldwide success, hitting No. 1 in Australia, going multiplatinum in many countries, and reaching the Top 10 in the UK as well as Canada. The debut album incorporated Bublé's multifaceted talents, especially his aptitude for lending a pop style to old classics such as "Fever," "Moondance" and "How Can You Mend a Broken Heart?" A world tour followed, and Bublé ended 2003 with a disc of Christmas tunes entitled "Let It Snow."

In 2004, at the age of 28, Bublé officially arrived on the international music scene, winning Best New Talent at Canada's prestigious Juno Awards. His third album release, *It's Time* (2005), topped the success of his debut; it sold over five million copies worldwide and remained on the Billboard Jazz charts for two years. The album's single, "Home," was a fan favorite, which Bublé wrote it for long-term love Timuss, and featured her in the video as well as the backing vocals. The song shot to the No. 1 spot in more than 10 countries, and had the distinction of being the most played song on Canadian radio that year.

Bublé's third album, *Call Me Irresponsible,* was released in 2007, and the album debuted at No. 3 on the Canadian charts. That album brought the singer his first Grammy win, taking Best Traditional Pop Vocal Album. Bublé's critics and fans rushed to sing his praises, especially lauding the track "Lost." BY the summer of that year Bublé had sold more than 18 million albums worldwide.

In December of 2008, Bublé branched out into the world of sports when he became a minority owner of the ice hockey team, the Vancouver Giants. He has also began taking on television projects, participating in a documentary called *Music and the Brain* on Canadian TV that discusses the scientific effects of music on human cognition. He then scored a special musical arrangement for a new episode of the hit American sitcom *30 Rock.*

In October 2009, Bublé released C*razy Love*, featuring duets with Sharon Jones and Ron Sexsmith, followed by a six-song album *Special Delivery* (2010) and *Christmas*, a holiday album featuring duets with Shania Twain and Mexican singer Thalia. In 2013, Bublé released *To Be Loved*, a mix of standards and pop songs, including a duet with actress Reese Witherspoon.

In addition to his popularity with fans, Bublé has swept music award ceremonies all over the world, earning another Grammy in the U.S. (2009), one Juno award and five Juno nominations in Canada, a nomination at the Brit Awards and a nomination for an international ECHO award. He has gone on to win the Grammy for Best Traditional Pop Vocal Album a total of four times (2007, 2009, 2010, 2013).

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- *Dream* (2002)
- *Michael Bublé* (2003)
- *It's Time* (2005)
- *Call Me Irresponsible* (2007)
- *Crazy Love* (2009)
- *Christmas* (2011)
- *To Be Loved* (2013)
- *Nobody but Me* (2016)
- *Love* (the release date for his 10th album is same day as Star Ceremony ! November 16, 2018)

Michael Bublé has sold over 60 million records worldwide, performed hundreds of sold-out shows around the globe, and won four Grammys and multiple Juno Awards during the course of his extraordinary career. At two sold-out shows this past summer in London's Hyde Park and Dublin's Croke Park, he received an overwhelming welcome back to the stage from more than 100,000 fans. **Bublé** is scheduled to perform at London's 02 Arena on September 29th and Sydney, Australia's Allianz Stadium on October 5th.

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