

Mrs. Anita Elizabeth Tynes

Meet Anita Elizabeth Ellis Tynes, a talented and accomplished woman whose journey has been shaped by music, love, and a passion for her Bahamian heritage.

Born as Anita Elizabeth Ellis to the proud parents of the late Mr. and Mrs. Franklyn, known as 'Count Bernadino' and Marilyn Ellis, she was destined for greatness. Today, she is lovingly called 'Nita' by those close to her and is recognized as one of the most popular female artists in the Bahamas.

Anita's musical journey began by following in her father's footsteps. A gifted musician, entertainer, and singer, she has traversed the globe, promoting the Bahamas for over thirty years, captivating audiences in the United States, Canada, Mexico, Italy, and Dubai. Remarkably, she holds the distinction of being the first Bahamian female featured on the Steel drums, having dedicated an impressive thirty-eight years to mastering her craft.

Her career was ignited in 1984 when she performed at the poolside of The Cable Beach hotel during its official opening. Since then, Anita has graced numerous stages, from intimate gatherings to high-profile events, sharing her talent with notable figures such as the late former President of the United States, George Bush Sr., Merv Griffin, Vanessa Williams, and many more.

Beyond her musical prowess, Anita finds joy in various hobbies, including gardening, baking, and cooking. Her love for the beach and appreciation for excellent sushi restaurants are well-known among her friends and family. She cherishes her loyal companion, a British Bulldog named Daisy.

Notably, Anita's strong faith is an integral part of her life. She worships at The Lutheran Church of Nassau, John F. Kennedy Drive, where she showcases her musical talents by singing and playing solos on the steel-drums during church services.

Anita's path to success was not without its twists. Although she initially pursued accounting, she realized her true passion lay in music after earning her associates degree. She credits her father for passing down the musical genes that led her to follow her heart.

Today, Anita holds significant roles in her community, demonstrating her commitment to uplifting and celebrating Bahamian culture. She serves as the President of the United Artists Bahamas Union, dedicated to enhancing local and international recognition for Bahamian talent, while also advocating for the betterment of both young and older artists. Additionally, she serves as the President of Zeta Amicae of Nassau, Bahamas, Theta Epsilon Zeta Chapter, Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporation, where she actively contributes to community-building efforts.

Throughout her life's journey, Anita's unwavering faith and reliance on prayer have been her guiding forces. She places God first in everything she does, a value that underpins her life and achievements.

As Anita Elizabeth Ellis Tynes continues to make an indelible mark on the world of music and community development, she exemplifies the power of passion, talent, and faith. Her commitment to the Bahamian culture and her unwavering dedication to her artistic endeavors and community service make her a truly inspiring figure.