

Bob Marley



Robert Nesta Marley (or “Bob Marley”) is a Jamaican musician who gave Jamaica, as well as its culture and music, a lot of the recognition it has today. Considered to be one of the fathers of Reggae, if you do not already recognize his face, you will most definitely recognize his voice and his music. Bob wrote and performed songs with his band known as “Bob Marley and the Wailers”. Bob’s music combined features of Ska, Reggae, and Rocksteady. He was also known to be an incredible lyricist whose music advocated for social change while simultaneously allowing people to dance and let go. Some of his most popular songs are “Three Little Birds”, “Is This Love?”, “Could You Be Loved”, and “One Love/People Get Ready”.

He has won numerous awards and honors which include but are not limited to the Jamaican order of merit, the Grammy Lifetime Achievement Award, a star on Hollywood's Walk of Fame, the Peace Medal of the Third World, even his own statue in Kingston, Jamaica. When he created the album Exodus, (now infused with bits of British rock, soul, and blues) after moving to London, his new composition still received great amounts of love and praise from listeners.

Not only was Marley a phenomenal musician who had a remarkable influence over people, he also wanted everyone to live together as one and love one another. That is the meaning behind one of his famous lyrics “One love, one heart . . . Let’s get together and feel all right”. Believe it or not, his death in May of 1981 did not alter the lasting impression he has on modern culture. He has sold more than 75 million records worldwide in his lifetime and his music can still be heard all over the world today!