

SUSAN BOYLE

PROFESSIONAL SINGER

Susan Boyle rocketed to fame after an appearance on Britain's Got Talent in 2009. Both the judges and the audience initially laughed when she expressed her desire to be a professional signer, underestimating her abilities based on her slightly unorthodox way of presenting herself. She then shocked them with her extraordinary voice, and has since gone on to have am incredibly successful singing career.



Susan Boyle is from West Lothian, Scotland, and was raised believing that she had some form of brain damage. It wasn't until she was in her fifties that she received a diagnosis of autism, which she has described as a relief



Since her rise to fame on Britain's Got Talent, Susan Boyle has sold more than 20 million albums



I Dreamed a Dream, Boyle's first album, was recognised as the fastest selling UK debut album of all time



Susan Boyle has spoken on several occasions about being bullied, both as a child and an adult. On a return to Britain's Got Talent in 2012 she sang 'You'll See,' said to be a riposte to those who once bullied her



She is known as a philanthropist, singing at and donating to numerous events to raise money for charity



"Maybe a champion for those who maybe don't have the confidence to do things. For those who maybe don't have a voice. The ones who people tend to ignore. I feel I'm a champion for them."

"If my story means anything, it is that people are very often too quick to judge a person by the way they look or by their quirks of behavior. I may not have quite the same sense of humour as other people, but at least I do have a sense of humour, and I've needed it! As a society, we seem to have very tight restrictions on what is considered "normal.""

