

BARBRIA DEÁNNE

Barbria DeÁnne is a born entertainer whose life has always been in harmony — literally. Raised in a family where music was the heartbeat of everyday life, she grew up surrounded by gifted relatives whose creativity and spirit shaped her destiny.

She began singing at just three years old with her three older sisters as The Haynes Sisters, a quartet that reflected their family's rich musical legacy. Her mother, Barbara Darleen Grant-Haynes, was a talented songwriter produced by Sam Cooke, whose song "He Cares" became the first single released on his SAR Records label in 1960. Her father, James L. Haynes, sang with The Optimistic Quartet, while her cousins include the late Earma Jean Grant-Thompson, "Queen of Classic Jazz Piano," Marshall Thompson of The Chi-Lites, and Tony Haynes, Grammy-winning songwriter and poet.

From her gospel beginnings to her classical studies and love for the timeless voices of Billie Holiday, Ella Fitzgerald, and Aretha Franklin, Barbria's sound carries a unique blend of soul, grace, and storytelling.

Over the years, she has performed with music icons such as Earth, Wind & Fire, Ray Charles, R. Kelly, Dorothy Donegan, Enchantment, Karen Briggs, Mike Phillips, and comedy greats Bill Cosby and the late Bernie Mac.

A graduate of the Art Institute of Atlanta with a degree in Music Entertainment Management, Barbria now leads her own company, Barbi-Tone Entertainment, where she combines her passion for performance, production, and artist development.

Beyond music, Barbria is a published author, weaving the same emotional depth into her writing as she does into her songs. Her published works include:

The Story Beyond My Song
Baby Takes the Stage
Landscape of Lies

She is also working on an upcoming trilogy and a heartfelt new book titled The Story Beyond My Mother's Song, inspired by her family's remarkable musical heritage.

With her moving single, "If I Could Write a Letter to Heaven," Barbria continues to create art that uplifts, heals, and connects. Whether on stage, on the page, or behind the mic, she remains a voice for truth, legacy, and limitless creativity.

Barbria DeÁnne — where every note, every word, and every story goes beyond the song.