**Sarah Vaughan**

**Sarah Lois Vaughan** (March 27, 1924 – April 3, 1990) was an American [jazz](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jazz) singer, described by music critic [Scott Yanow](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Scott_Yanow) as having "one of the most wondrous voices of the 20th century."

Nicknamed "Sassy" and "[The Divine One](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jazz_royalty)", Sarah Vaughan was a four-time [Grammy Award](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Grammy_Award) winner, including a "Lifetime Achievement Award". The [National Endowment for the Arts](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/National_Endowment_for_the_Arts) bestowed upon her its "highest honor in jazz", the[NEA Jazz Masters](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/NEA_Jazz_Masters) Award, in 1989.