

**Debbie Gibson**  
**Pop Icon and Broadway Star**

For more than 25 years, Debbie Gibson has proven she's an entertainer of immeasurable talent. From singer, songwriter and musician to actress and dancer, she embodies what it truly means to be an entertainer. A music prodigy, Gibson exploded on the Billboard Pop Charts at the tender age of 16 with the self-penned "Only In My Dreams." The "Original Pop Princess" quickly became the youngest artist ever to write, produce and perform a No. 1 hit song, "Foolish Beat," and entered the Guinness Book of World Records. To date, she is still the youngest female to hold that record. Gibson has sold more than 16 million albums worldwide, performed for British Royalty and hosted "The American Music Awards," produced by friend and legend Dick Clark.

After conquering the pop world with three consecutive albums and world tours, she set her sights on the theater and starred in 17 musicals in 17 years. Gibson made her mark in the Broadway production of "Les Miserables" as Eponine. She broke box office records in the London West End production of "Grease" as Sandy. She then took the stage in the U.S. Broadway tours of "Grease" as Rizzo and "Funny Girl" as Fanny Brice. Gibson also wowed critics as Belle in Disney's "Beauty and the Beast," Gypsy Rose Lee in "Gypsy," The Narrator in the national tour of "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat," Cinderella in the national production of "Cinderella" with EarthaKitt, Velma Kelly in "Chicago," and, Sally Bowles in the Broadway revival of "Cabaret" with Neil Patrick Harris.

Continuing to dazzle with entertainment magic, Gibson bridged the gap between pop music and Broadway with her one-woman show "Pop Goes Broadway." During her sold out summer run in 2008 at The Concert Venue at Harrah's, critics agreed it was "the best show Atlantic City has seen in quite some time...it's totally entertaining." Phil Roura of the New York Daily News said, "she has mastered her craft to the point where she just doesn't perform a song – she embraces it and delivers it with her own special stamp of approval." To fill her passion of mentoring and fostering young performers and songwriters, she also created "Debbie Gibson's Electric Youth," a series of performing arts camps and music boot camps.

Gibson made her debut in the world of orchestration for Dr. Rutledge's documentary, now available on demand, "3 Billion and Counting," about Malaria prevention in third world countries. She collaborated on the score and the powerful closing credits song, "Rise," which was shortlisted for an Academy Award nomination. Gibson then released a new album, "Ms. Vocalist," from Sony Japan that was top 10 on the Billboard charts. The first single, "I Love You," hit No. 1 and she headlined a sold out tour.

In 2011, Gibson starred with Tiffany in the SyFy hit "Mega Python Vs. Gatoroid," which led to a joint sold out tour as well as a performance on GMA's Summer Concert Series. She also appeared in Katy Perry's hit music video for "Last Friday Night (TGIF)." As a spokesperson for Children International, she spent

time in impoverished villages in Manila. For more than 20 years, she has been a child sponsor and advocate. In 2012, she raised more than \$50,000 for Children International on "The Celebrity Apprentice," and made a cameo in the film "Rock of Ages," as part of Russell Brand's Rocker Posse.

Gibson starred as a celebrity judge on "Sing Your Face Off," a music competition show that aired on ABC in the summer of 2014. She joined an esteemed list of musical performers as a 2014 inductee of the Long Island Music Hall of Fame. Currently, she's starring in the 2015 UP original movie, "The Music In Me," featuring a new, original song "Promises," collaborating with Jimmy Van Patten on an original Broadway musical, "The Flunky," and starting pre-production on a new album of original pop songs to be recorded in 2015. From No. 1 hits and platinum albums to starring roles on Broadway, film and TV, Gibson is a true entertainer with timeless talent and charisma.

### **Career Highlights**

- Guinness Book of World Records for youngest person ever to write, produce, and perform a number one single ("Foolish Beat")
- More than 16 million albums sold worldwide
- Starred in more than 15 national theater tours and regional productions
- "Foolish Beat" – #1 on Billboard Chart – 1988
- ASCAP Songwriter of the Year (tied with Bruce Springsteen) – 1989
- Debut Album of the Year – "Out of the Blue" – New York Music Awards – 1989
- Debut Artist of the Year – New York Music Awards – 1989
- Headlined Prince's Trust – 1989
- "Lost In Your Eyes" #1 on Billboard Chart – 1989
- "Electric Youth" #1 on Billboard Chart – 1989
- Co-host of the American Music Awards – 1989
- Headlined San Remo Music Festival
- Rock Producer of the Year – American Songwriter Awards – 1990
- Artist of the Year – New York Music Awards – 1990
- Song of the Year – "Lost In Your Eyes" – New York Music Awards – 1990
- Best Pop Female Vocalist – New York Music Awards – 1990
- Nominated Favorite Female Music Performer – People's Choice Awards – 1990
- Nominated Best Pop Female Vocalist – American Music Awards – 1990
- Starred on Broadway in "Les Miserables" as Eponine – 1992

- Performed for UK royalty and US Presidents
- Headlined Atlantic Record's 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary at Madison Square Gardens with Led Zeppelin and The Who
- London's West End Production of "Grease" as Sandy (9 months Sold Out/SRO)
- Starred on Broadway in Disney's Beauty and the Beast" as Belle -1997/98
- Judge on American Juniors – 2003
- Broadway revival of "Cabaret" as Sally Bowles (dir:RobMARshall/Sam Mendes co-starring Neil Patrick Harris) – 2003
- Partnered with Kurt Browning – Skating with Celebrities – 2006
- Founded "Debbie Gibson's Electric Youth" – 2008
- Founded "Gibson Girl Foundation" – 2009
- Starred in "Mega Shark vs. Giant Octopus" – 2009
- "I Love You" #1 on Billboard Japan Chart – 2010
- Children International spokesperson – 2010
- Guest Starred in "Cirque Dreams Jungle Fantasy" at MGM/Foxwoods – 2010
- Starred in "Mega Python vs. Gatoroid" – 2011
- Appeared in Katy Perry's music video for "Last Friday Night (TGIF)" – 2011
- Cameo in film "Rock of Ages" – 2012
- Competed in season 5 of "Celebrity Apprentice" (raised more than \$50,000 for Children International) – 2012
- Celebrity Ambassador for Hooplaha.com – 2012
- NBA New York Nicks Half Time Show – 2013
- Co-Headlined "Hit Parade" in Santiago, Chile – 2014
- "Mega Shark vs. Mecha Shark" – 2014
- Celebrity Judge on ABC's "Sing Your Face Off" – 2014
- Long Island Music Hall of Fame Induction – 2014
- Starring in "The Music In Me" on UPTv – 2015