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Beauty Muse: Aaliyah



With 3 platinum albums, a film career, a diverse personal style, a charm and allure all her own, Aaliyah's impact is one we will never forget. Aaliyah Dana Haughton, also known as "baby girl" to close friends and family, dominated the charts in the 90s and beyond with hits like Age Ain't Nothing But A Number, One in a Million, and More Than A Woman. But it was her sweet, humble personality, natural beauty and dynamic stage presence and performances that won over our hearts.

Although ten years have passed since the songstress graced our TV screens and magazines with her brilliant smile, signature side bang with dark shades and smooth dance moves, her career continues to have a lasting effect on fans, musicians and

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entertainers alike.

Sampling her hits *At Your Best (You Are Love)* and *Best Friends*, both J. Cole and Drake have made it clear the influence the R&B princess has had on their lives and how much they miss her presence and aura in the music industry. Through her crunk style matrix-like signature moves, Ciara has clearly looked to Aaliyah's signature dance routines as her choreographic inspiration. Other entertainers such as Alicia Keys, Cassie Ventura, Meagan Good, Tristan Wilds and more have also gone on record to say that her unique style has inspired and impacted their lives.

Aaliyah's presence was clearly unforgettable. In addition to being an award-winning R&B star, who was at a pivotal point in her career at the tender age of 22, she was also in the process making a name for herself in Hollywood with two movies under her belt: *Romeo Must Die* and *Queen of The Damned*. She was also set to star in *Honey*, *The Matrix* and the remake of *Sparkle*. It's unfortunate that we'll never have the opportunity to see how far she could have gone on the big screen or in her music career, for that matter.

But instead of asking 'Why her?', we choose to remember the countless reasons she gave us to celebrate her life, smile, dance like nobody's watching and lip-sync to some of her most notable hits. Years will go by, seasons will change but our love for our muse Aaliyah will always be the same.

Check out photos of her signature beauty look. Although it evolved through the years, Aaliyah rarely strayed from a sleek dark mane, luscious lashes, full lips and glowing, radiant skin:



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What do you think of Aaliyah's look?

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