



Janis Joplin



* Born Janis Lyn Joplin

* From Port Arthur Texas, she was a singer/song-writer and arranger

* #28 on Rolling Stones list of All-Time Greatest Singers

* Rose to prominence in the late 1960's as lead singer of *Big Brother & The Holding Company* & as solo artist



* Janis was known for her rough edgy/down and dirty blues influenced vocals

* 1967 *Piece of My Heart*

* Janis joined the choir in high school and was considered an "outsider" because she was different

* She enjoyed listening to records of African-American blues singers

* Part of her unpopularity in Texas was because she spent time hanging around with black friends

* 1966 Janis left Texas and travelled to SF to join Big Brother

* Big Brother performs at 1967 Monterey Pop Festival

* 1967 *Summertime*





* 1968 *Ball and Chain*

* 1969 Janis perform at the Woodstock Music Festival



* 1970 *Me and Bobby McGee*

* Oct. 3, 1970 Janis Joplin was found dead in her hotel room from a heroin overdose
