

Buffy Sainte-Marie, CC (born Beverly Sainte-Marie, c. February 20, 1941) is an Indigenous Canadian-American singer-songwriter, musician, Oscar-winning composer, visual artist, educator, pacifist, and social activist. Throughout her career in all of these areas, her work has focused on issues facing Indigenous peoples of the Americas. Her singing and writing repertoire also includes subjects of love, war, religion, and mysticism. She has won recognition, awards and honours for her music as well as her work in education and social activism. Among her most popular songs are 'Universal Soldier', 'Cod'ine', 'Until It's Time for You to Go', 'Now That the Buffalo's Gone', and her covers of Mickey Newbury's 'Mister Can't You See' and Joni Mitchell's 'The Circle Game'. Her music has been recorded by Elvis Presley, Neil Diamond, Cher, Donovan, Joe Cocker, Jennifer Warnes, Barbra Streisand, Shirley Bassey, Roberta Flack, Janis Joplin, and Glen Campbell.

In 1983, Sainte-Marie became the first Indigenous person to win an Oscar. Her song 'Up Where We Belong', co-written for the film *An Officer and a Gentleman*, won both the Academy Award for Best Original Song at the 55th Academy Awards and the Golden Globe for Best Original Song.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v= 2DpY_eXPZM

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UNTIL IT'S TIME FOR YOU TO GO
BUFFY SAINTE-MARIE

You're not a dream
You're not an angel
You're a woman

I'm not a king
I'm a man
Take my hand
We'll make a space
In the lives that we planned
And here we'll stay
Until it's time for you to go

Yes we're different worlds apart
We're not the same
We laughed and played
At the start like in a game
You could have stayed outside my heart
But in you came
And here you'll stay
Until it's time for you to go

Don't ask why
Don't ask how
Don't ask for ever, honey
Love me, now

This love of mine
Had no beginning it has no end
I was an oak now I'm a willow
Now I can bend
And though
I'll never in my life see you again
Still I'll stay
Until it's time for you to go

Don't ask why of me
Don't ask how of me
Don't ask forever of me honey
Love me Love me

You're not a dream
You're not an angel
You're a woman
I'm not a king
I'm a man
Take my hand
We'll make a space
In the lives that we planned
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Until it's time for you to go

Lyrics: Buffy Sainte-Marie (1968)
Neil Diamond 1970
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