

Bob Dylan's Life

Robert Allen Zimmerman born May 24 1941 in Duluth, Minnesota known by the pseudonym of Bob Dylan, was an American singer, song-writer, musician and author. He is an influential figure in popular music and culture. He became a reluctant « voice of a generation » when he moved to New York in the 1961 where he wrote songs like « Blowin' in the Wind » and « The Times Are a-Changin' ». Those songs were to become anthems for Civil Rights Movement and anti-war movement.

His recording career goes on for more than fifty years and he explored many musical genres from folk, blues, country to gospel, rock and roll ...

He recorded 38 studio albums, starting with *Bob Dylan* (1968) and still records songs today.

Dylan's lyrics contain political, social, philosophical and literary influences and over the years he defied pop music conventions.

Dylan performs with guitar, keyboards and harmonica. He published his album on Columbia Records and Asylum Records.

Since 1994, he also published seven books of drawings and paintings.

As a musician, he sold more than 100 million records, making him one of the best-selling artists of all time. He received many awards including eleven Grammy Awards, a Golden Globe Award, an Academy Award and many other prizes such as an NME Award.

Nowadays Dylan still receives huge recognition: in 2012 the President Barack Obama gave him the Presidential Medal of Freedom and in 2016 he was awarded the Nobel Prize in Literature « for having created new poetic expressions within the great American song tradition ».

Bob Dylan had two spouses, Sara Dylan from 1965 to 1977 and Carolyn Dennis from 1986 to 1992.

