

# Melba Moore: People Need Each Other — Wonderful Part of Life

NEW YORK — Melba Moore, the diminutive singer who can stir an audience with her dynamic four octave voice, believes that the key to her success has been learning that "people really need each other — and that's a wonderful part of life."

"After I had my daughter, Charli, five years ago, I knew that one thing I wanted to share with her was how I lived my life — interacting with people and enjoying them. That's how she's been raised and she's profiting from it."

Miss Moore, who rose to national fame in the Broadway production of "Hair" and won a Tony award for "Purlie," is committed to making the best of her life.

"When I started to travel a lot on tour," she said, "I got very tired. Then I decided that if I was going to spend my life traveling professionally, I'd better start enjoying it."

Now I make it a point to get into the personality of every city I visit," she said. "I look around and approach the city with the attitude of a tourist. It really helps."

She recently traveled from her home in New York City to appear at a free concert in Houston sponsored by Salem cigarettes and KCOH, a local radio station.

"There's a certain excitement about performing at a free outdoor concert," she said. "The people in Houston approached me with 'Hi, Mel' and treated me like one of the family."

During the Salem Spirit Street Scene held in Houston's Clinton Park, Miss Moore sang for 45 minutes before a downpour shortened her performance. Among the favorites she performed was "Lean On Me."

"The crowd in Houston was good to me," she said. "The audience was mainly from the ghetto area around the park. Those people might not have had a chance to see the performance if it hadn't been a free concert. It was special for me to be a part of a festival really meant for people."

In addition to live performances, Miss Moore is busy with a coming recording. "The single will be released in August and the title is 'Love's Comin' At Ya.' It's a song with a 'right now' feeling," she said.

Equally at home before a live audience, in a recording studio or in front of a TV camera, Miss Moore plans to do additional work on television and Broadway.

She reaches out to others through her singing because "of a burning need to share and care about others. Even as a teacher, I wanted to work with others. I never fit the mold of a teacher, but I did have the gift of teaching because I knew that what students needed was training on dealing with others."

Miss Moore taught music in public school before branching out into entertainment. "It really wasn't that big a difference," she said. "I come from an entertainment family and teaching prepared me to get out in front of others and gave me the self confidence that I needed."

Miss Moore thrives on her active schedule. "I'm one of those who believes that a challenge is a necessary part of life — it makes the rewards so much better," she said.

"Fortunately for me, no matter how much is written on the arts, you still have to experience them. That's where I come in. I stay busy bringing my music to the people."

## Tuesday Evening

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7:15	P.M. Magazine	Family Feud	Jeffersons			P.M. Magazine		
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8:00	Universe	Father Murphy	Universe	Great Railway Journeys	Incredible Hulk	Happy Days		Happy Days
8:15	She's With Me		She's With Me			Laverne & Shirley		Laverne & Shirley
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10:00		McClain's Law		Tinker, Tailor, Soldier, Spy	News	Hart To Hart	TBS News	Hart To Hart
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11:00	News	Benny Hill	News	Alfred Hitchcock Dave Allen At Large	M.A.S.H.	News		News
11:15	Alice	Tonight	M.A.S.H.		Odd Couple	Nightline	All In The Family	Nightline
11:30								
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12:00	McCloud		Rockford Files		Perry Mason	Fantasy Island	Atlanta Braves Replay	Fantasy Island
12:15		David Letterman						
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## Wednesday Evening


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7:15	P.M. Magazine	Family Feud	Jeffersons			P.M. Magazine		
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8:00	CBS Reports	Real People	CBS Reports	Primal Man	Incredible Hulk	Greatest American Hero		Greatest American Hero
8:15								
8:30								
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9:00	CBS Movie: "Ohms"	Facts Of Life Love Sidney	CBS Movie: "Ohms"	Chrysler: Then And Now	Merv Griffin	The Fall Guy		The Fall Guy
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10:00		Quincy			News	Dynasty	TBS News	Dynasty
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11:00	News 2	Benny Hill	News	Alfred Hitchcock Dave Allen At Large	M.A.S.H.	News		News
11:15	Late Movie:	Tonight	M.A.S.H.		Odd Couple	Nightline	All In The Family	Nightline
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12:00			Rockford Files		Perry Mason	Love Boat	Atlanta Braves Replay	Love Boat
12:15		David Letterman						
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## Thursday Evening

August 26, 1982

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8:00	Magnum, PI	Fame	Magnum, PI	Fight Against Slavery	Metromedia:	Mork & Mindy Bosum Buddies	TBS Movie:	Mork & Mindy Bosum Buddies
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9:00	Simon & Simon	DH'rent Strokes Gimme A Break	Simon & Simon	Sneak Previews HitchHiker Guide		Barney Miller		Barney Miller
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