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Shirma's rich and soulful voice makes her one of the most popular singers of the Netherlands. After her appearance in *The Voice*, she made a leap to the next level of her career.

Her musical journey started as backing vocal for artists like Chaka Khan, Michael Bolton, Alain Clark, Candy Dulfer, Henny Vrienten and Anouk. Anouk represented the Netherlands in 2013 at the Eurovision Song Contest and Shirma Rouse was proclaimed as best backing vocal by *The Eurovision Times*.

Shirma has released three albums and her third album, "Shout It Out Loud", was awarded in 2015 with Edison Jazzism Audience Award.

In 2017 Shirma Rouse will celebrate the 75th birthday of Aretha Franklin with "The Queen of Soul Celebration Tour", a series of concerts in the Netherlands and abroad. There will also be a reprise of Shirma self-written sung-through theatershow "Shirma sings Aretha".

In March 2017 Shirma Rouse will release her highly anticipated 4th studio album, *Soul Serenade*, a heartwarming tribute to love with newly written songs, a duet with US soul sensation Ryan Shaw, classic songs like *Imagine* and *Let it be* newly arranged

