

# Anita Baker

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You leave home to seek your fortune and, when you get it, you go home and share it with your family.

~Anita Baker

Completeness? Happiness? These words don't come close to describing my emotions. There truly is nothing I can say to capture what motherhood means to me, particularly given my medical history.

~Anita Baker

I don't let people use me. That's why I like a small number of people in my life. The more people in my life, the more complex it becomes, so I just try to keep it at a minimum.

~Anita Baker

Time has nothing to do with the gifts that the gods give you; it's what you do.

~Anita Baker

I'm picking and choosing in terms of the stress factor. If it's not fun, I'm not going to do it.

~Anita Baker

I don't think being black has held me back at all. Being black makes you strong.

~Anita Baker

If you have your own agenda and your own style and you don't easily conform to what the masses are doing, you're looked upon as being difficult. Whereas, I think of it as just being an individual.

~Anita Baker

If I could be doing anything, I'd be laying on the floor in my birthday suit eating junk food and watching something dumb on TV.

~Anita Baker

Long tresses down to the floor can be beautiful, but learn to love what you have.

~Anita Baker

Historically, in my generation, all of my heroes and heroines have had issues and problems. We all do.

~Anita Baker

I say if it's going to be done, let's do it. Let's not put it in the hands of fate. Let's not put it in the hands of someone who doesn't know me. I know me best. Then take a breath and go ahead.

~Anita Baker

My father worked on assembly lines in Detroit while I was growing up. Every day, I watched him do what he needed to do to support the family. But he told me, 'Life is short. Do what you want to do.'

~Anita Baker

I think there's no sacrifice too great for family, whether it's career, singing, whatever.

~Anita Baker

Typically, the theme of my albums, if there is a theme, is, 'How does it feel?' And that always leads to love songs. It just does.

~Anita Baker

I'm in love, sweet love. Feel me calling out your name, I feel no shame.

~Anita Baker

I would make far more money if every song were my own, but I don't write to fill up the album with my songs.

~Anita Baker

I used to sing at funeral homes for families that didn't have a vocalist. I

didn't get paid. I needed to sing.

~Anita Baker

I would say that my peak was making my first million at the ripe age of 29, after the first album.

~Anita Baker

Most artists are notoriously insecure, and I fall into that category.

~Anita Baker

I'd love to be the political voice of my generation, but that's not my gift.

~Anita Baker

It's impossible to write and produce a record when your parents are dying. I really tried, I really, really tried, but it just wouldn't come.

~Anita Baker

I'm used to getting up at 7, getting breakfast, getting the kids off to school, and doing the mommy thing and the wife thing and the daughter thing.

~Anita Baker

Chris Brown is brilliant. That cat is crazy brilliant, and I wish him the best.

~Anita Baker

As soon as you get off stage, that's the most dangerous time for a singer to kiss people because your vocal chords are receptive to any kind of germ.

~Anita Baker

When you're away for a long time, tastes change, fans move on. You hate to think about it, but it's an ugly fact of life.

~Anita Baker

I need my career. That's what validates me.

~Anita Baker

I have as many pictures of my vocal cords as I do of my children. I have a great ear, nose and throat doctor, and we look at them - if there's some redness, maybe I'll take a little time off.

~Anita Baker

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