

2021 Music Awards

Spotify: Calypso catches on overseas

Although some might be tempted to believe that calypso is largely listened to by an older audience, data from the audio streaming and media services company Spotify showed Gen Z (18-24) makes up for 15 per cent of its calypso listeners.

It said in a release that whilst one in five listeners of calypso is in the age group 35-44, the genre is consumed amongst all ages.

Calypso has its own playlist on Spotify and is among the most streamed local genres in TT.

Although he is not a calypsonian, American singer Harry Belafonte – credited with popularising calypso to international audiences in the 1950s – is the most streamed artiste in the genre, Spotify said.



Calypso Rose's catalogues dominate the most played songs in the calypso genre on Spotify. -

It added that his and Calypso Rose's catalogues dominate the most played songs in the genre.

Most-played artistes:

Harry Belafonte

Calypso Rose,

Aldwyn "Lord Kitchener" Roberts

Kentrick "Lord Creator" Patrick

Slinger "Mighty Sparrow"
Francisco

David Rudder

American actor and singer Robert
Mitchum

Barbadian calypso band The MerryMen

The Jamaican Steel Band

Jamaican band Byron Lee and the Dragonaires.

Most-played calypso:

Belafonte's Jump in the Line, followed by his Banana Boat (Day –O) and then Calypso Rose's Calypso Blues.

Where people listen:

Outside of TT, calypso was most consumed in: the US, France, Canada, UK, Germany, Australia, Spain, Netherlands, Mexico and Italy.

What age groups listen?

23.9 per cent of calypso listeners are 35-44 years old

16.1 per cent are 30-34

15.4 per cent are 18-24

15.3 per cent are 25-29

14.8 per cent are 55 and older

12.4 per cent are 45-54

2.2 per cent are 0-7 year-olds

The data was compiled over the last 90 days, Spotify said.

source:

Calypso History Month honours Bro Resistance

Melissa Doughty, Newsday, Friday, October 8, 2021

<https://newsday.co.tt/2021/10/08/calypso-history-month-honours-bro-resistance/>

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The full list of awardees are:

Song of the Year: Vicadi Singh – Never Gonna Leave

Top Male Performer: Vicadi Singh

Top Female Performer: Vanita Willie

Best New Artist: Camille Ranjitsingh

Breakthrough Artist: Tony Cuttz

Best Producer: Big Rich

Best DJ: DJ Satish

Best Videographer: Shane SR Digital

Best Dance Group: Khalnayak

Best Band: Dil-E-Nadan

Boodram Holass will be inducted into the Chutneymusic.com Hall of Fame and will receive a small cash token, the release said.

Dil-E-Nadan cops best band award from Chutneymusic.com

Newsday Reporter, Friday, December 10, 2021

<https://newsday.co.tt/2021/12/10/dil-e-nadan-cops-best-band-award-from-chutneymusic-com/>