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Background information				
Born	September 28, 1929 (1929-09-28) (age 82)			
Mangeshkar in 2008				
Genres	Film music (playback singing)			
Occupations	Singer			
Instruments	Vocals			
Years active	1942–present			

Lata Mangeshkar (Marathi: Boom September 28, 1929) is a singer from India. She is a best-known and most respected playback singers in India.^{[1][2]} Mangeshkar's career started in 1942 and has s six and a half decades. She has recorded songs for over a thousand Hindi films and has sung songs in over th regional Indian languages and foreign languages, though primarily in Hindi. She is the elder sister of singer A and Hridayanath Mangeshkar, Usha Mangeshkar and Meena Mangeshkar. She is the second vocalist to have awarded the Bharat Ratna, India's highest civilian honour.^[3]

Mangeshkar was featured in the *Guinness Book of World Records* from 1974 to 1991 for having made the mo in the world. The claim was that she had recorded approximately 25,000 solo, duet, and chorus-backed song languages between 1948 to 1974. Over the years, while several sources have supported this claim, others have concerns over its veracity, claiming that this number was highly exaggerated and that Mangeshkar's younger Bhosle, had more song recordings than she had.^{[4][5]} In 2011 *Guinness* officially acknowledged Bhosle as the recorded artist in music history.^[6]

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Early life

Lata Mangeshkar was born in Sikh Mohalla,^[7] Indore, in the Central India Agency (now part of Madhya Prad father, Pandit Deenanath Mangeshkar who belonged to a Gomantak Maratha Samaj family from Goa, was a and theater actor. Her mother Shevanti (Shudhamati) who was from Thalner, Maharashtra, was Deenanath'. The family's last name used to be Hardikar; Deenanath changed it to Mangeshkar in order to identify his far native town, Mangeshi in Goa. Lata was named "Hema" at her birth. Her parents later renamed her Lata aft character, Latika, in one of her father's plays, *BhaawBandhan*.^[8] Lata is the eldest child of her parents. Meel and Hridayanath are her siblings in sequence.

Mangeshkar took her first lessons from her father. At the age of five, she started to work as an actress in her musical plays (*Sangeet Natak* in Marathi). On the first day in the school, she started teaching songs to other c the teacher stopped her, she was so angry that she stopped going to the school.^[8] Other sources cite that she because they would not allow her to bring Asha with her, as she would often bring her younger sister with he

Singing career

Early career in the 1940s

In 1942, when Mangeshkar was 13, her father died of heart disease. Master Vinayak (Vinayak Damodar Karna owner of Navyug Chitrapat movie company and a close friend of the Mangeshkar family, took care of them.

Mangeshkar sang the song "Naachu Yaa Gade, Khelu Saari Mani Haus Bhaari" which was composed by Sada Nevrekar for Vasant Joglekar's Marathi-language movie *Kiti Hasaal* (1942), but the song was dropped from t Vinayak gave her a small role in Navyug Chitrapat's Marathi movie *Pahili Mangalaa-gaur* (1942), in which sl Chaitraachi Navalaai" which was composed by Dada Chandekar.^[8] Her first Hindi song was "Mata Ek Sapoo Badal De Tu" for the Marathi film, *Gajaabhaau* (1943). Mangeshkar moved to Mumbai in 1945 when Master company moved its headquarters there. She started taking lessons in Hindustani classical music from Ustad Khan Bhendibazaarwale. She sang "Paa Lagoon Kar Jori" for Vasant Joglekar's Hindi-language movie *Aap Ki* (1946),^[8] which was composed by Datta Davjekar. Mangeshkar and her sister Asha played minor roles Vinaya Hindi-language movie, *Badi Maa* (1945). In that movie, Lata also sang a bhajan, "Maata Tere Charnon Mein. introduced to music director Vasant Desai during the recording of Vinayak's second Hindi-language movie, (1946).

Following the partition of India in 1947, Ustad Amanat Ali Khan Bhendibazaarwale migrated to newly formed Mangeshkar started to learn classical music under Amanat Khan Devaswale. Pandit Tulsidas Sharma, a pupil Ghulam Ali Khan, also trained her.

After Vinayak's death in 1948, music director Ghulam Haider mentored her as a singer. Haider introduced N

producer Sashadhar Mukherjee, who was working then on the movie *Shaheed* (1948), but Mukherjee dismiss Mangeshkar's voice as "too thin."^[8] An annoyed Haider responded that in the coming years the producers a directors would "fall at Lata's feet" and "beg her" to sing in their movies. Haider gave Lata her first major br song "Dil Mera Toda," from the movie *Majboor* (1948).^[8]

Initially, Mangeshkar is said to have imitated Noor Jehan, but later she developed her own style of singing.^[8] in Hindi movies are primarily composed by Urdu poets and contain a higher proportion of Urdu words, incl dialogue. Actor Dilip Kumar once made a mildly disapproving remark about Mangeshkar's Maharashtrian ac singing Hindi/Urdu songs; so for a period of time, Lata took lessons in Urdu from an Urdu teacher named S

"Aayega Aanewaala," a song in the movie *Mahal* (1949) was composed by music director Khemchand Praka synced on screen by actress Madhubala.

1950s



Mangeshkar as a young woman

In the 1950s, Mangeshkar sang songs composed by various music directors of the period, including Anil Bisw such as Tarana and Heer), Shankar-Jaikishan, Naushad, S. D. Burman, C. Ramchandra, Hemant Kumar, Salil Khayyam, Ravi, Sajjad Hussain, Roshan, Kalyanji-Anandji, Vasant Desai, Sudhir Phadke, Hansraj Behl, Madar Usha Khanna.

Mangeshkar sang many raga-based songs for Naushad in movies such as *Baiju Bawra* (1952), *Mughal-E-Aze Kohinoor* (1960). *Ae Chorre Ki Jaat Badi Bewafa*, a duet with G. M. Durrani, was her first song for composer, duo, Shankar-Jaikishan, chose Mangeshkar for *Aag, Aah* (1953), *Shree 420* (1955), and *Chori Chori* (1956). Befe composer Sachin Dev (S. D.) Burman chose Mangeshkar as the leading female singer for his musical scores i (1951), *House No. 44* (1955), and *Devdas* (1955). However a rift developed between Lata and Burman in 1957,

not sing Burman's compositions again until 1962.^[8]

Mangeshkar won a Filmfare Best Female Playback Award for Salil Chowdhury's composition "Aaja Re Parde *Madhumati* (1958). In the early fifties, Lata Mangeshkar's association with C. Ramchandra produced songs in as Anarkali, Albela, Asha, Pehli Jhhalak, Shin Shinkai Bublaa Boo, Azad and Amardeep. For Madan Mohan, sł for films like Adalat, Railway Platform, Dekh Kabira Roya and Chacha Zindabad.

1960s

Mangeshkar's song "Pyar Kiya To Darna Kya" from *Mughal-E-Azam* (1960), composed by Naushad and pict Madhubala, still remains famous . The Hawaiian-themed number "Ajeeb Dastaan Hai Yeh" from *Dil Apna A* (1960) was composed by Shankar-Jaikishan and picturized on Meena Kumari.

In 1961, Mangeshkar recorded two popular bhajans, "Allah Tero Naam" and "Prabhu Tero Naam", for Burn Jaidev. In 1962, she was awarded her second Filmfare Award for the song "Kahin Deep Jale Kahin Dil" from *Baad*, composed by Hemant Kumar.

On June 27, 1963, against the backdrop of the Sino-Indian War, Mangeshkar sang the patriotic song "Aye Me Logo" (literally, "Oh, People of My Country") in the presence of Jawaharlal Nehru, the then Prime Minister o song, composed by C. Ramchandra and written by Pradeep, is said to have brought the Prime Minister to tea

In 1963, Mangeshkar returned to collaboration with S. D. Burman. She also sang for R. D. Burman's very firs *Nawaab* and later for his films such as *Bhoot Bangla* (1965), *Pati Patni* (1966), *Baharon ke Sapne* (1967) and (1969). She also recorded several popular songs for S. D. Burman, including "Aaj Phir Jeene Ki Tamanna Hai' Mera Dil" (duet with Kishore Kumar) and "Piya Tose" from *Guide* (1965), and "Hothon Pe Aisi Baat" from *Je* (1967).

During the 1960s, Lata Mangeshkar continued her association with Madan Mohan which included the songs Nazron Ne Samjha" from *Anpadh* (1962), "Lag Ja Gale" and "Naina Barse Rim Jhim" from *Woh Kaun Thi?* (1 Chup Rahen To" from *Jahan Ara* (1964), and "Tu Jahan Jahan Chalega" from *Mera Saaya* (1966).

The 1960s also witnessed the beginning of Mangeshkar's association with Laxmikant-Pyarelal, the music direwhom she sang the most popular songs in her career. She sang for *Parasmani* (1963) which was their first fil

She also sang several playback songs for Marathi films, composed by Marathi music directors including Hrid Mangeshkar, Vasant Prabhu, Srinivas Khale, Sudhir Phadke and herself (under the name *Anandghan*). During and 1970s, she also sang several Bengali songs, composed by music directors like Salil Chowdhury and Hema

In this period Lata Mangeshkar has recorded duets with Mukesh, Manna Dey, Mohammed Rafi, and Kishore

1970s

In 1972, Meena Kumari's last film, *Pakeezah* released. It featured popular songs including "Chalte Chalte" an Ne" sung by Lata Mangeshkar, and composed by Ghulam Mohammed. She recorded many popular songs fc Burman's last films, including "Rangeela Re" from *Prem Pujari* (1970), "Khilte Hain Gul Yahaan" from *Sharr* and "Piya Bina" from *Abhimaan* (1973).

Lata Mangeshkar's most notable songs in 1970s were composed by Laxmikant-Pyarelal (Laxmi-Pyare) and R Burman^[citation needed]. She recorded several songs composed by Laxmi-Pyare in 1960s and 1970s, many of tl the lyricist Anand Bakshi. She also recorded many hit songs with Rahul Dev Burman in the films *Amar Prem Caravan* (1971), *Kati Patang*(1971), and *Aandhi* (1975). The two are noted for their songs with the lyricists M

Sultanpuri, Anand Bakshi and Gulzar.

In 1973, she won the National Film Award for Best Female Playback Singer for the song "Beeti Na Bitai" fron *Parichay*, composed by R. D. Burman, and written by Gulzar. In 1974, she sang her only Malayalam song "Ka Chenkadali" for the film *Nellu*, composed by Salil Chowdhury, and written by Vayalar Ramavarma. In 1975, a the national award, this time for the song "Roothe Roothe Piya" from the film *Kora Kagaz*, composed by Ka

From 1970s onwards, Lata Mangeshkar has also staged many concerts in India and abroad, including several concerts. Her first concert overseas was at the Royal Albert Hall, London, in 1974. She also released an albur bhajans, *Chala Vaahi Des*, composed by her brother Hridayanath Mangeshkar. Some of the bhajans in the a "Saanware Rang Raachi" and "Ud Jaa Re Kaaga". In the early 70s, she released other non-film albums, such a collection of Ghalib ghazals, an album of Marathi folk songs (koli-geete), an album of Ganesh aartis (all comported by Shrinivas Khale.

In late 1970s and early 1980s, she worked with the children of composers she had earlier worked with. Some composers included Rahul Dev Burman (son of Sachin Dev Burman), Rajesh Roshan (son of Roshan), Anu N Sardar Malik), and Anand-Milind (sons of Chitragupt).

1980s onwards

From 1980s onwards, Lata Mangeshkar worked with music directors including Shiv-Hari, Ram Laxman, and She recorded some non-film songs, including ghazals with Jagjit Singh.

In 1990, Mangeshkar launched her own production house for Hindi movies which produced the Gulzar-dire *Lekin...*. She won her third National Film Award for Best Female Playback Singer for her rendition of the sor Sili" from the film, which was composed by her brother Hridayanath. During the 1990s, she recorded with n including Jatin-Lalit and Nadeem-Shravan. She has sung for Rajshri Productions, including *Maine Pyar Kiya Hum Aapke Hain Kaun* (1994).

Mangeshkar has sung for almost all the Yash Chopra films and films from his production house Yash Raj Film including *Chandni* (1989), *Lamhe* (1991), *Darr* (1993), *Yeh Dillagi* (1994), *Dilwale Dulhaniya Le Jayenge* (1994) *Pagal Hai* (1997) and later on *Mohabbatein* (2000), *Mujhse Dosti Karoge* (2002) and *Veer Zaara* (2004).

A. R. Rahman recorded a few songs with Mangeshkar during this period, including "Jiya Jale" (*Dil Se*), "Khan Gungunane Lagin" (*One Two Ka Four*), "Ek Tu Hi Bharosa" (*Pukar*), "Pyaara Sa Gaon" (*Zubeidaa*), "Lukka c *de Basanti*) and "O Paalanhaare" (*Lagaan*). She made an appearance in the film *Pukar* singing this song.

In 1999, Lata Eau de Parfum, a perfume brand named after her, was launched.^[11]

In 1999, Mangeshkar was nominated as a member of Rajya Sabha.^[12] However, she did not attend the Rajya regularly, inviting criticism from several members of the House, including the Deputy Chairperson Najma H Pranab Mukherjee and Shabana Azmi.^{[13][14]} She stated the reason for her absence as ill-health; it was also re she had not taken a salary, allowance or a house in Delhi for being a Member of Parliament.^{[13][15]}

In 2001, Lata Mangeshkar was awarded Bharat Ratna, India's highest civilian honor. In the same year, she est Master Deenanath Mangeshkar Hospital in Pune, managed by the Lata Mangeshkar Medical Foundation (for Mangeshkar family in October 1989). In 2005, she designed a jewellery collection called Swaranjali, which was Adora, an Indian diamond export company. Five pieces from the collection raised £105,000 at a Christie's au part of the money was donated for the 2005 Pakistan earthquake relief.^[16] Also in 2001, she recorded her firs with the composer Ilaiyaraaja, for the film *Lajja*; she had earlier recorded Tamil and Telugu songs composed

Ilaiyaraaja.

Lata Mangeshkar's song "Wada Na Tod" is in the film *Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind* (2004) and on th soundtrack.

On June 21, 2007, she released an album *Saadgi*, featuring eight ghazal-like songs written by Javed Akhtar an by Mayuresh Pai.^[17]

Lata Mangeshkar records songs for Madhur Bhandarkar *Kitne Ajeeb Rishte Hain Yahan Par* for *Page 3* (2005 *Le* for *Jail* (2009) and, *Kyun Yahan Hota Hai* was recorded years ago for *Corporate* (2006), but is only being u (2012).^[18] ^[19]

Non-singing career

Music direction

Lata Mangeshkar composed music for the first time in 1955 for Marathi movie *Ram Ram Pavhane*. Later in composed music for following Marathi movies under the pseudonym of *Anand Ghan*.^[20]

- 1960 Ram Ram Pavhana
- 1963 Maratha Tituka Melvava
- 1963 Mohityanchi Manjula
- 1965 Sadhi Manase
- 1969 Tambadi Mati

She won Maharashtra State Government's Best Music Director Award for the film *Sadhi Manase*. The song 'Deva Tula" from the same film received best song award.^[citation needed]

Production

Lata Mangeshkar has produced four films:

- 1953 Vaadal (Marathi)
- 1953 Jhaanjhar (Hindi), co-produced with C. Ramchandra
- 1955 *Kanchan* (Hindi)
- 1990 *Lekin* (Hindi)

Awards and recognitions

Main article: Awards conferred on Lata Mangeshkar

Lata Mangeshkar has won several awards and honors, including Padma Bhushan (1969), Padma Vibhushan (Saheb Phalke Award (1989), Maharashtra Bhushan Award (1997),^[21] NTR National Award (1999), Bharat Ratu National Award (2009), three National Film Awards, and 12 Bengal Film Journalists' Association Awards. She four Filmfare Best Female Playback Awards. In 1969, she made the unusual gesture of giving up the Filmfare Playback Award, in order to promote fresh talent. She was later awarded Filmfare Lifetime Achievement Aw

In 1984, the State Government of Madhya Pradesh instituted the *Lata Mangeshkar Award* in honour of Lata The State Government of Maharashtra also instituted a Lata Mangeshkar Award in 1992.

In 1974, The Guinness Book of Records listed Lata Mangeshkar as the most recorded artist in the history, sta

had reportedly recorded "not less than 25,000 solo, duet and chorus backed songs in 20 Indian languages" be and 1974. Her record was contested by Mohammed Rafi, who was claimed to have sung around 28,000 song Rafi's death, in its 1984 edition, the Guinness Book of World Records stated Lata Mangeshkar's name for the Recordings", but also stated Rafi's claim. The later editions of Guinness Book stated that Lata Mangeshkar ha fewer than 30,000 songs between 1948 and 1987.^[23]

Although the entry has not been printed in Guinness editions since 1991, several sources claim that she has r thousands of songs, with estimates ranging up to figures as large as 50,000.^{[24][25]} However, even the earliest claim of 25,000 songs (between 1948–1974) was claimed to be exaggerated by several other sources, with one stating that the number of songs sung by Lata Mangeshkar in Hindi films till 1991 was found to be 5250.^{[26][27} Mangeshkar herself stated that she does not keep a record of the number of songs recorded by her, and that know from where Guinness Book editors got their information.^[29] In 2011 Bhosle was officially acknowledge as the most recorded artist in music history, surpassing Mangeshkar.^[6]

See also

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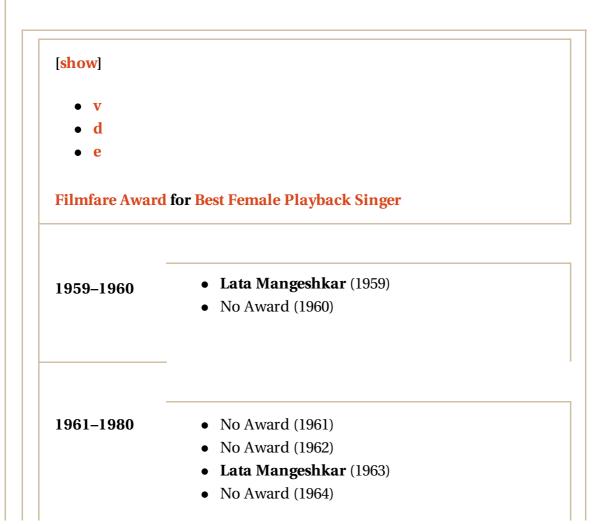


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- Alisha Chinai (2006)
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