Marilyn Maye

**Marilyn Maye** (born April 10, 1928) is an [American](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/United_States) [cabaret](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cabaret) singer and [musical theatre](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Musical_theatre) [actress](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Actress). She began her career as a young child performing in Kansas in both live concerts and on the radio. After graduating from high school, she moved to Chicago where she drew the attention of [Steve Allen](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Steve_Allen), performing first on *The Steve Allen Show* and later [*The Tonight Show*](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/The_Tonight_Show).

She holds the distinction of being the most frequently heard singer in the history of the latter program. She made numerous recordings with [RCA](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/RCA) during the 1960s, after which she has had a highly successful career as a cabaret artist, continuing to this day. She has also occasionally appeared on the stage in musicals.[[1]](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Marilyn_Maye#cite_note-ON-1)