



prince: a royal journey through music

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He has seven Grammy awards, an Academy Award and was inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame in 2004 during his first year of eligibility. What more could this musician want? Freedom. He was eventually granted that, too, when he fought the good fight and was released from a major record label contract. Today, Prince owns and controls anything that he creates. It's been one heck of a journey, but well worth the ride!

1978: For You
"Soft and Wet"

1979: Prince
"I Wanna Be Your Lover"
"Why You Wanna Treat Me So Bad?"
"Sexy Dancer"

1980: Dirty Mind
"Uptown"
"Dirty Mind"
"Head"

1981: Controversy
"Controversy"
"Let's Work"
"Do Me, Baby"
"Sexuality"

1982: 1999
"1999"
"Little Red Corvette"
"Delirious"
"Automatic"

1984: Purple Rain
(Academy Award winner)
"When Doves Cry"
"Purple Rain"
"Let's Go Crazy"
"I Would Die 4 U"
"Take Me With U"
"Baby, I'm a Star"
"The Beautiful Ones"
"Darling Nikki"

1985: Around the World in a Day
"Raspberry Beret"
"Paisley Park"
"Pop Life"
"America"

1986: Parade
"Kiss"
"Anotherloverholenyohead"
"Girls & Boys"
"Mountains"

1987: Sign O' the Times
"Sign of the Times"
"U Got the Look"
"If I Was Your Girlfriend"
"I Could Never Take the Place of Your Man"
"Hot Thing"
"Housequake"
"Adore"

1988: Lovesexy
"Alphabet Street"
"Glam Slam"
"I Wish U Heaven"

1989: Batman Soundtrack
"Batdance"
"Partyman"
"Scandalous"

1990: Graffiti Bridge
"Thieves in the Temple"
"Round and Round"
"Question of U"

1991: Diamonds and Pearls
"Gett Off"
"Cream"
"Diamonds and Pearls"
"Money Don't Matter 2 Night"
"Insatiable"

1992: Prince and the New Power Generation
"My Name Is Prince"
"Damn U"
"The Morning Papers"
"Sexy M.F."
"7"

1993: The Hits: The B-Sides
"Nothing Compares 2 U"
"Pink Cashmere"
"Irresistible Bitch"

1994: The Beautiful Experience
"Most Beautiful Girl in the World"

1995: The Gold Experience
"Gold"
"I Hate U"

1996: Chaos and Disorder
"Dinner with Delores"

1996: Emancipation
"Somebody's Somebody"
"Betcha by Golly, Wow"
"The Holy River"

1998: Crystal Ball
"Love Sign"

1998: New Power Soul
"The One"
"Come On"

1999: The Vault: Old Friends 4 Sale
"She Spoke 2 Me"

1999: Rave Un2 the Joy Fantastic
"The Greatest Romance Ever Sold"

2001: The Rainbow Children
"Muse 2 the Pharaoh"

2002: One Nite Alone ... Live!
"Anna Stesia"

2004: Musicology
"Musicology"
"Cinnamon Girl"
"Call My Name"

2006: 3121
"Black Sweat"
"Fury"

2007: Planet Earth
"Guitar"

2009: Lotus Flow3r

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