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## SNAPSHOT

Born to Indian Gujarati parents and brought up in Nairobi, Rekha grew up surrounded by music from a very young age. Rekha's love for singing began under the strong influence of her mother. Exploring both Western and Indian classical and light forms of music, she has spent the last fifteen years performing across the world on many prestigious platforms. She has also trained in semi-classical Indian music at Suresh Wadkar's music school in Mumbai as well as participated in various musical workshops held by the BBC.

## THE BEGINNING

'My mum saw something in me when I was really young and pushed me to start singing lessons. I did a lot of theatre in Kenya as a child and somehow I fell madly in love with singing.'

'I have trained in both English and Indian music since the age of 5 and developed my knowledge and technique in both dimensions. I have been lucky enough to pass my Grade 8 in Piano, but my first love is Indian music and I am a huge Bollywood fanatic. In my younger years I listened to the heavenly voices of Lata Mangeshkar, Asha Bhonsle, Kishore Kumar & Mohammed Rafi amongst the legends of Hindi Cinema and more recently in my twenties I have been heavily influenced by the next generation of super singers, Udit Narayan, Kumar Sanu, Alka Yagnik, Sonu Nigam, Shreya Ghoshal and Sunidhi Chauhan.'



## THE STATS

**500+**

Performances  
Worldwide

**7,000+**

You Tube  
subscribers



**15K+**

@RekhatheSinger



**2K+**

@rekha\_the\_singer



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## THE JOURNEY

From 2015 – 2016 Rekha starred in 'Bend It Like Beckham' The Musical in London's West End, playing the role of Simi, the heritage singer.

Rekha was fortunate to be spotted by A R Rahman during the musical and was asked to fly to Chennai to record background vocals for Gurinder Chadha's movie "Viceroy's House" which released in cinemas in March 2017.

Over the years Rekha has performed at the Alchemy Festival in the Southbank theatre with the Concert Orchestra, as part of the London Indian Film Festival, with the CBSO in Birmingham and many other exclusive events in the UK and across the globe.

## COMING SOON

Having performed at over 500 concerts and events worldwide, Rekha's musical journey continues to develop with the release of her first Punjabi single "Dil Wich" in March 2019. She has collaborated with Naughty Boy, Arjun, Ellie Goulding and Preeya Kalidas and is excited to release new material and projects that are in the pipeline.

## VENUES & FESTIVALS

### PRESS + FEATURES

BBC Asian Network	Bombay Times
B4U	Bend it Like Beckham (Theatre)
Sony TV	Viceroy's House (Movie)
Eastern Eye	Alchemy Festival
Mumbai Mirror	London Mela

### COLLABORATIONS

NAUGHTY BOY	PREEYA KALIDAS
KAYKAY CHAUHAN	CHIRAG RAO
ARJUN	ZAYN
ELLIE GOULDING	SINGH PRODUCTION
A R RAHMAN	

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## PERFORMANCES & APPEARANCES

Rekha has been performing for the last 15 years as a professional singer. During this time she has been part of many events including music festivals, Mela's, live theatre and collaborated with various Western and Indian artists.

She has performed at some very famous venues and been part of some very prestigious music presentations including Alchemy & The London Mela.

Rekha is very well known to all the leading Asian Tv and Radio networks and is recognised as one of the UK's leading Asian Female vocalists. She has been interviewed by all the major networks and remains a positive role model to the next generation of UK talent.







Actress Priyanka Chopra opening a movie has a Netflix series *Wild*. She is being lined up by religious guru Rajneesh as an assistant, Ma Anand Sheela. While, there are strong rumours that Aamir Khan wants to produce a movie on the same subject matter. The movie would be produced by the team up on the...

## REKHA'S HEARTFELT TUNE

ONE of my favourite singers, Rekha Sawhney, is due to release her first Punjabi love song *Dil Wich* later this month. The gifted artist has worked with music producer GSooni on a song that is set to show off her remarkable range.

"This is an independent release and personifies me as an artist. *Dil Wich* is a ballad full of colour and tradition with a real urban vibe. It is a perfect mix of Indo-western and I can't wait for people to hear it," said Rekha.



## MESSAGE

Im and it's lead star Richa Chadha. "I am so overwhelmed with her generosity. It feels great to be mentioned by an Oscar-winning actress. We're all touched," said Richa.

THE most heart-warming moment for me from the *Bend It Like Beckham* musical was seeing Rekha Sawhney in the supporting cast. It was finally great to see the best-kept secret

of British music get such a big platform to showcase her talent. Hopefully she will kick on from here and show off her impressive vocal range in more high-profile projects in the future.

# Rekha Sawhney shoots for success

THE SINGER REVEALS HER HIGHLIGHTS FROM *BEND IT LIKE BECKHAM* AND FUTURE PLANS



CHALLENGES: Rekha Sawhney and (right) with All Rahman

by ASHAD NAZIR

**FOR a long time, Rekha Sawhney remained one of the best-kept secrets in British music.** The versatile singer was first discovered by director Gurinder Chahal, and brought on board for the musical *Bend It Like Beckham* in the supporting role of the gifted singer's mother. Her performance, which earned her high-profile roles, led to her musical coming to an end on Saturday night in a glorious way. With a long forward to showcasing off her impressive vocal range on new and projects including answering our questions.

**How did you get caught up with the project together to talk about music, but *Bend It Like Beckham* journey, inspirations, future plans and more.**

**What has the whole *Bend It Like Beckham* experience been like?**

I used to visit London every summer during the school holidays, while I lived in Newport, and would love to be a part of the project. I was always a fan of her music and I always dreamed of starting in one of those musical shows. Being in *Bend It Like Beckham: The Musical* has been more than a dream come true for me. The past few years have truly been unforgettable.

**Which was your most unforgettable moment from the musical?**

Every show has been a beautiful experience, but the moment I still never forget is when All Rahman was on the stage. I was my first and he brought me out backstage and complimented me. I was sobbing for a few days.

**What are your most memorable moments from the musical?**

All of our memories come to me. The show, but who did you enjoy performing for most?

All of them. All Rahman for sure, and the incredible moments that he played for me. He is the most generous and it was an honour to receive that song from him.

**What is the biggest thing you learned during the *Bend It Like Beckham* adventure?**

One thing that I learned from this experience is that you can do anything if you put your mind to it. I had to learn a lot of things, but I was lucky to have my stage coach and my manager. I was able to learn from them and I was able to perform with confidence and joy.

**As a singer, what are your biggest challenges?**

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**What are your future plans?**

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**What are your unmissable songs or your most loved songs?**

After this year, I put down some vocals for an uptempo dance track, with a Bollywood feel called *Diya*. I have a great feeling about the track and cannot wait for it to be released.

**How do you make a new album plan going forward?**

I have decided that my next album will be a mix of new music and old songs. I want to explore new sounds and genres, but I also want to stay true to my roots. I want to explore new sounds and genres, but I also want to stay true to my roots.

**What are your favourite songs to perform live?**

I love singing in Hindi for most, romantic ballads with beautiful melodies. I think that's due to my childhood and influences around me.

**What is a new style of singing you haven't tried but would love to?**

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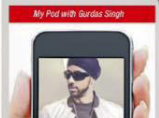
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My Pal with Gardish Singh

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