

WORLD WIDE ENTERTAINMENT SYNOPSES

'AUDREY HEPBURN'

'The Magic of Audrey'

There was always something very special about Audrey Hepburn. She was, *is*, truly an original, and remains an enduring icon of elegance and taste. Around the world, her extraordinary legacy continues to touch millions of people, whether through watching her famous films *Breakfast at Tiffany's*, *Roman Holiday* and *My Fair Lady*; or through her various charities, which she supported right up until her death from colon cancer in 1993. In many ways, the story of Audrey Hepburn reads a little bit like a fairy tale. She was born in Brussels, Belgium, on the 4th of May, 1929. Her family was well-to-do, with aristocratic connections. From an early age she studied ballet; then moved onto acting when noticed by the right people. Seemingly overnight, the young girl from the chorus line was now in the headlines. She became an award winning screen star; and a world-wide sensation. But as in any fairy tale, Audrey's story has a dark side. It began in the early 1930's as Europe was besieged by Hitler's Germany. Her father left the family and her mother moved them to Holland, where Audrey helped her mother keep their family alive, but only barely. The horrors of war stayed with Audrey, and she used her experiences to help others in need through her charity work for Unicef. In the end, she was as well-known for her compassion as she was for her creative spirit.

Bonus Features:

My Fair Lady | Fashion | Italian Drive-in | Leading Men | Little Black Dress | Unicef | Victory Day | Awards and Credits

My Fair Lady – Chronicles how Jack Warner lobbied for Audrey to be cast in *My Fair Lady*; also the enormous attention to detail in every aspect of the production.

Fashion – The fashion that Audrey made famous, including that timeless classic, the little black dress in *Breakfast at Tiffany's*.

Italian Drive In – The backdrop to the movie "*Roman Holiday*" is famous for both its ancient and modern theatres.

Leading Men – Throughout her career, Audrey starred with some of Hollywood's most famous leading men, including Gregory Peck, Cary Grant, Sean Connery and Rex Harrison.

Little Black Dress – It may be just a little black dress, but the gown worn by Audrey in *Breakfast at Tiffany's* has done some very big things. Designed by Givenchy, the dress was the essence of Audrey chic.

Unicef – Audrey Hepburn loved helping people in need, and her generosity of spirit was evident in her work as Goodwill Ambassador for Unicef.

Victory Day – A short featurette on the elation of Victory Day, the day World War 2 officially ended. For Audrey and her family it was a momentous occasion, as they'd suffered terribly during Germany's invasion of Europe.

Awards and Credits – Chronicles Award ceremonies attended by Audrey, awards and nominations won by Audrey Hepburn for her roles in *A Nun's Story* and *Roman Holiday*