Amália Rodrigues

Amália Rodrigues-(July 23, 1920- October 6, 1999) She was born in Lisbon, Portugal. She attended local schools in Lisbon but her education was modest. She popularized fado music, a traditional Portuguese genre that blends melancholic tunes with themes of longing and nostalgia. Fado is characterized by heartfelt vocals and Portuguese guitar. She became known as the "Queen of Fado,"

Amália was not classically trained, and her powerful voice came from natural talent. Some of her famous songs include "Povo Que Lavas no Rio," "Estranha Forma de Vida," and "Uma Casa Portuguesa. Amalia was instrumental in popularizing fado worldwide and travelled internationally throughout her career. She was also a gifted actress. Rodrigues remains the best-selling Portuguese artist in the history of recorded music.