

## 4.30.08: So I Think You Can't Dance

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Who went home this week?

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Oh the medley. I think this was the worst group sing in the history of the show. My husband & I literally LoLd watching Brooke try to dance.

Jason was safe. So was Archuletta. Then the other David. So that left both girls, Syesha & Brooke in the Bottom 2.

The Ford commercial to 'Catch the Wind' was bad this week as well. It was stupid. Then Neil Diamond performed his new song & my family couldn't figure out what was so odd about it. It looked like he was guitar-not-in-syncing. I don't know if he was lip syncing as well. It was just all very odd.

Brooke is finally put out of my misery. She bawled. Next week is rock n roll hall of fame. If you are interested in checking out Neil Diamond:

NEIL DIAMOND LIVE CONCERT TOUR OF A LIFETIME TICKETS ON SALE NOW!

Legendary Singer Launches 37-City North American Tour

Starting July 19th in St. Paul, Minnesota

Tour Coincides with the May 6th Release of Highly-Anticipated New Album

HOME BEFORE DARK

To the delight of his millions of fans, legendary singer, songwriter and performer Neil Diamond will return to concert stages this summer for a 37-city North American tour, promoted nationally by AEG Live. Tickets for the North American tour, scheduled to kick off July 19th in St. Paul, Minnesota, went on sale today for shows in St. Paul, MN; Chicago, IL; Washington, DC; New York, NY; Boston, MA; San Jose, CA; Los Angeles, CA; and Dallas, TX. Tickets for the remaining markets will go on sale Friday, May 2nd. Fans should visit [neildiamond.com](http://neildiamond.com) and check local listings for updated information. The North American leg follows a series of European dates starting May 24th in Rotterdam, with new dates recently added to accommodate an overwhelming demand for tickets.

With a four-decade long career that has seen more than 125 million records sold worldwide, 36 Top 40 hits, a Grammy, a Golden Globe and thousands of sold-out shows all over the globe, Neil Diamond remains one of the most vital and innovative forces in modern music. The 2008 summer tour will deliver a familiar yet unique fan experience featuring amazing production, innovative stage design and, of course, an unparalleled set list of Diamond's most beloved hits. In addition to classics such as "Sweet Caroline," "I'm a Believer," and "Cherry, Cherry," Diamond will perform new, never before performed live songs from his upcoming, highly anticipated album, Home Before Dark, his second collaboration with renowned producer Rick Rubin, to be released by Columbia Records on May 6th.

Diamond announced the tour in a surprise televised appearance at the Boston Red Sox season opener at Fenway Park on April 8th. During the traditional eighth-inning sing-a-long of Diamond's classic "Sweet Caroline,"-a longtime Fenway tradition-the singer appeared in a televised, big-screen broadcast, proclaiming to fans that he will be performing live in concert at the historic Fenway Park on Saturday, August 23rd, 2008.

Tickets for select markets are available now at [http://www.ticketmaster.com/artist/734917?camefrom=CFC\\_WIRESET](http://www.ticketmaster.com/artist/734917?camefrom=CFC_WIRESET). In addition, I Love All Access is proud to be the exclusive provider of VIP ticket package experiences for the tour. Fans should visit [iloveallaccess.com](http://iloveallaccess.com) for more information and to purchase VIP tickets.

Diamond's prolific body of work includes "You Don't Bring Me Flowers" (the powerful duet with Barbra Streisand), "I Am, I Said" and "Cracklin' Rosie," as well as hits from his album and movie *The Jazz Singer* ("America," "Love on the Rocks") and from his acclaimed 2005 album *12 Songs*. The album marked his first project with Rubin, which entered the *Billboard* Top 200 at No. 4 - marking Diamond's highest-charting debut to date - and offered a stripped-down, emotionally honest and passionately compelling approach that continues on *Home Before Dark*.

Like all great Neil Diamond albums, *Home Before Dark* is a powerful work, crossing generational lines with an extraordinary range and level of songcraft. Imbued with the same style of inspired melodies that has made his music so enduring, the album's highlights include the stunning lead single "Pretty Amazing Grace" and a striking duet with the Dixie Chicks' Natalie Maines entitled "Another Day (That Time Forgot)." The new collection was written by Diamond and recorded in Los Angeles with guitarist Mike Campbell, keyboardist Benmont Tench (Tom Petty & The Heartbreakers), bassist/acoustic guitarist Smokey Hormel and guitarist Matt Sweeney. The album will also be available as a deluxe version that includes two bonus tracks and a DVD with rare footage of Diamond in the studio.

NEIL DIAMOND 2008 NORTH AMERICAN TOUR DATES

## July

19	St. Paul, MN	Xcel Energy Center
22	Sioux City, IA	Tyson Events Center
24	Omaha, NE	Qwest Center Omaha
26	Chicago, IL	United Center
29	Indianapolis, IN	Conseco Fieldhouse
31	Detroit, MI	The Palace of Auburn Hills

## August

3	Cleveland, OH	Quicken Loans Arena
5	Washington, DC	Verizon Center
7	Hartford, CT	XL Center
9	Philadelphia, PA	Wachovia Center

12	New York, NY	Madison Square Garden
14	New York, NY	Madison Square Garden
18	Pittsburgh, PA	Mellon Arena
20	Albany, NY	Times Union Center
23	Boston, MA	Fenway Park
25	Columbus, OH	Value City Arena at The Schottenstein Center
27	Green Bay, WI	Resch Center
29	St. Louis, MO	Scottrade Center

## September

14	Winnipeg, MB	MTS Centre
16	Edmonton, AB	Rexall Place
18	Calgary, AB	Pengrowth Saddledome

20	Vancouver, BC	General Motors Place
22	Portland, OR	Rose Garden
24	Seattle, WA	KeyArena at Seattle Center
26	Sacramento, CA	ARCO Arena
28	San Jose, CA	HP Pavilion

## October

1	Los Angeles, CA	Hollywood Bowl
2	Los Angeles, CA	Hollywood Bowl
7	San Diego, CA	San Diego Sports Arena
10	Phoenix, AZ	Jobing.com Arena
12	San Antonio, TX	AT&T Center
14	Houston, TX	Toyota Center

16	Dallas, TX	American Airlines Center
19	Oklahoma City, OK	Ford Center
21	Tulsa, OK	BOK Center
24	Tampa, FL	St. Pete Times Forum
26	Ft. Lauderdale, FL	BankAtlantic Center
28	Orlando, FL	Amway Arena Orlando
30	Jacksonville, FL	Jacksonville Veterans Memorial Arena

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