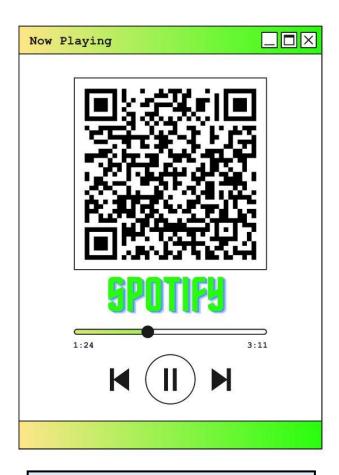


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April's Musician of the Month









About: Bessie Smith (1894 – 1937) was an African-American blues singer widely renowned during the Jazz Age. Nicknamed the "Empress of the Blues", she was the most popular female blues singer of the 1930s. Inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame in 1989, she is often regarded as one of the greatest singers of her era and was a major influence on fellow blues singers, as well as jazz vocalists.

Genres: Blues, Jazz

Active from: 1912 - 1937

Origin: Chattanooga, Tennessee, U.S.A.

Books to read...

If you like Bessie Smith, try...







- Billie Holiday
- John Lee Hooker
- Etta James

