



FAMILY ACTIVITY GUIDE

Barbra Streisand: Redefining Beauty, Femininity, and Power

Host a Family Singalong

Few people have a voice like Barbra's, but anyone can express themselves through song, and singing together with others is a wonderful bonding activity. Arrange a multigenerational singalong — in person or online.

First, pick some songs. Think about who will be joining the singalong and try to select songs that will appeal to the whole group. If there's a wide age range, choose some from previous decades as well as current favorites. Easy songs with simple lyrics will have the widest reach.

Download song lyrics — even the ones that you think everyone will know. It's easier to concentrate on singing when you don't have to work to remember the lyrics. Email the lyrics to all the singers ahead of time.

Does someone in your group know how to play piano or guitar? Great, download sheet music! Pre-record the music and send the recording to participants so they can practice with it.

If you don't play an instrument, no problem. Search online for karaoke versions of the songs to play on a smart speaker, and send those around for people to practice with too.

If you have enough people, designate certain verses to certain groups. Maybe someone even wants to volunteer for a solo!



Ask singers to gather simple percussion instruments as well — tambourines, egg shakers, bongos, even an upside-down stockpot.

Ready to sing? Set yourself up for success.

If you are gathering in person, arrange yourselves in a circle. It's a great way to make sure everyone can see one another, and it also optimizes group acoustics.

If you are gathering online, make sure people can see each other, so ask everyone to set their screens to gallery view. Whether you are playing karaoke background music or live instruments, turn up the volume of your computer high so that everyone else can hear it. Consider taking turns to avoid the notorious Zoom audio delay.

Bonus: Record yourselves singing and playing, then upload the video to social media so others can feel inspired to sing loud and strong!

