

# Rania Kurdi

**Location:** Cambridgeshire, UK

**Height:** 5'8" (172cm)

**Build:** Slim

**Playing age:** 30-40

**Appearance:** White, Mediterranean

**Eye colour:** Green

**Hair colour:** Dark brown

**Hair length:** Short

**Voice character:** Assured

**Voice quality:** Clear, warm

**Languages:** English and Arabic

**Accents:** British RP, London, Jordanian, Syrian, Lebanese, Egyptian, standard American, Russian.

## Training

1993-1996: Guildford School of Acting, UK

1991-1993: Performing Arts, Barnet College, UK

## Skills

- Over 20 years of experience in voice-overs for IVR, commercials, documentaries, jingles, radio and television spots
- Improvisational skills
- Basic guitar and dance skills (hip hop, jazz, belly dancing)
- Taekwondo, black belt
- Boxing
- Clean driving license

## Television

- 2013-2014: Writer, Actress and Executive Producer of Jordanian comedy sketch show, The Rania Show.
- 2000: Princess Joanna, Richard the Lionheart's sister, in Syrian historical series The Search for Saladin.
- 1998: Various roles in a daily Jordanian comedy sketch show for the month of Ramadan.

## Presenting

- 2012: Presenter of the Life Achievement Awards at the Tyche Jordan Awards.
- 2011: Presenter of celeb variety show, Nagham min Hayati, with LBC TV (Lebanon).
- 2008-2009: Presenter of Sony's celebrity musical TV show, Karaoke, with Future TV (Lebanon).
- 2006: Presenter of the Dubai International Film Festival's red carpet event.
- 2006: Celebrity host for a CNN special on Malaysia.
- 2002-2004: Co-host of Superstar, the pan-Arab Pop Idol with FremantleMedia (Lebanon).
- 2002: Presenter for Hola Verano, a holiday show for Abu Dhabi TV, live from London studios with Emirates Media Europe.
- 1999-2001: Presenter for Royal Jordanian Airlines inflight videos in Arabic and English.
- 1999-2000: Producer and host of The Rania Talk Show with JTV (Jordan).
- 1998: Producer and presenter for Tune Into Kids with JTV, as part of Unicef's International Children's Day of Broadcasting (Jordan).

## Theatre

- 2015: Sue in Abigail's Party. Viva Theatre Company, Soham.
- 2015: Vern in 5 Lesbians Eating a Quiche. Witchford.
- 2015: The Moaner in The vagina monologues. Viva Theatre Company, Burwell.
- 1997-2000: Various social and political comedies. Rainbow Theatre, Amman, Jordan.
- 1993-96: Roles during GSA training include:
  - Martirio in The House of Bernarda Alba
  - Suzy, an American prostitute, in The Hotel Baltimore
  - Christine in The Maids
  - Desdemona in Othello
  - Nell in Playhouse Creatures.
- 1993: Jaberwocky. Old Bull Arts Centre, Barnet.
- 1992: The Provoked Husband. Gatehouse Theatre Company, Highgate.

## Film

- 2008: Lina, a Palestinian/American mother in independent film, Noor.
- 2005: Lead female role in Egyptian romantic comedy, The Seventh Sense.
- 2001: Ria Hackin in the German film, Journey to Kafirstan, alongside Matthew Burton.

## Singing

Rania is also an established Arabic singer, with two albums and several singles. Her self-titled debut album was produced in 2002 by EMI Arabia.

Her 2005 follow-up, Oulli Leh, was produced by New Century Music and brought her two #1 hits as well as a Best Music Video award for her song, Shayef Nafsak.