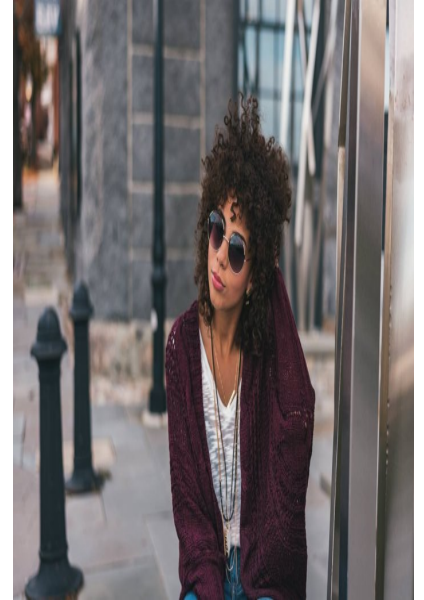


Faces Of New Bedford – #25: Samantha Johnson

Meet Samantha Johnson, a 26 year-old singer.



Samantha moved to New Bedford at the age of 12 from Dennis because her father took on new responsibilities at work, but she secretly thinks he did it because he wanted his family to be more cultured.

As a full time singer, Samantha has been able to travel around the globe. Before her run on America's Got Talent this past summer, she worked on the Michael Jackson Tribute show for four years as the lead female vocalist.

Samantha owes a lot of her drive and determination to the music program she was heavily involved with at New Bedford High School. Under the leadership of Ms. Brasil, she learned how to set goals, create plans to accomplish them and, most importantly, strive towards those goals until they are completed.

With her recent shot to fame, she is constantly being pulled in all directions, one in particular, is to move away. She just couldn't imagine doing that though. Her siblings go to school here, her friends are here, and most importantly her

home is here. Out of the places she's visited New Bedford is different, you can find anything you want here, culture, passion, art. She also enjoys how real people are here, they have real lives with real struggles, and it's hard to find that anywhere else.

"I want people to visit New Bedford like we visit New York, or LA. We have everything we need to make New Bedford a destination, we just have to realize the potential and run with it."

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