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# TIMELINE OF EVENTS

**Jan. 19-20:** Fantasia travels to Atlanta to audition for the show and is chosen as one of the 117 eventually selected to go to Hollywood from 70,000 auditions in Atlanta, Houston, Los Angeles, San Francisco and Hawaii.

**Feb. 4:** Fantasia is chosen by the judges as one of the 32 semi-finalists.

**Feb. 11:** America votes for Fantasia to become one of the first two semifinalists to advance to the finals, along with Diana DeGarmo.

**March 16:** In the first round of the finals, featuring soul classics, Fantasia performs "Signed, Sealed, Delivered."

**March 23:** In round two, featuring a country theme, Fantasia performs "Always on My Mind."

**March 30:** In round three, featuring a Motown theme, Fantasia performs "I Heard It Through the Grapevine."

**April 6:** In round four, featuring the songs of Elton John, Fantasia performs "Something About the Way You Look Tonight."



**April 13:** In round five, featuring songs from the movies, Fantasia performs "Summertime" from "Porgy and Bess."

**April 20:** In round six, featuring the songs of Barry Manilow, Fantasia performs "It's a Miracle."

**April 21:** Fantasia has her first close call, coming in as one of the two lowest vote-getters. But she survives as Jennifer Hudson heads home.

**April 27:** In round seven, featuring the songs of Gloria Estefan, Fantasia performs "Get on Your Feet."

**May 4:** In round eight, featuring songs of the Big Band era, Fantasia performs "Crazy Little Thing Called Love" and "What Are You Doing the Rest of Your Life."

**May 11:** In round nine, featuring disco tunes, Fantasia performs "Knock on Wood" and "Holding Out for a Hero."

**May 12:** Fantasia finds herself in the bottom two for the second time, but she once again survives as La Toya London is sent packing.

**May 18:** Fantasia sang "Chain of Fools," originally performed by Aretha Franklin, Ike and Tina Turner's "Fool in Love" and Whitney Houston's "Greatest Love of All." Fantasia and Diana DeGarmo were voted into the final two.

**May 25:** In the finals, Fantasia sang "All My Life," "Summertime" and "I Believe."

**May 26:** In a two-hour finale, Fantasia was crowned the newest "American Idol," capturing the majority of the 65 million votes cast.

**June 22:** Fantasia's first single, featuring "I Believe," "Chain of Fools" and "Summertime," is released, with many Triad stores selling out by mid-morning.

**June 29:** Fantasia earns a No. 1 record. Her single sells 140,000 copies in its first week, topping the singles chart.



**July 13:** Fantasia sings National Anthem at Major League Baseball's All-Star Game in Houston

**July 14:** American Idols Live! Summer Tour begins in Salt Lake City

**Aug. 21:** American Idols Live! Tour makes stop in Winston-Salem