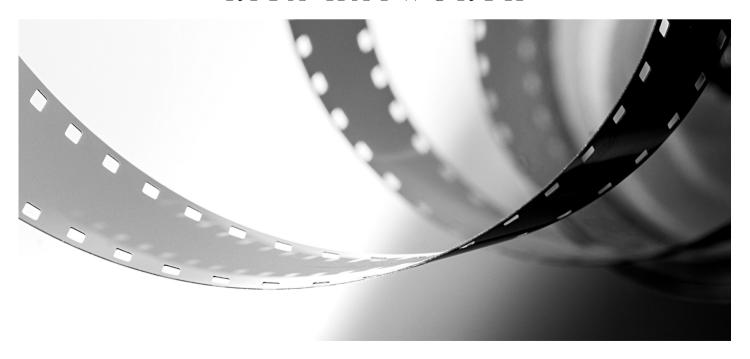
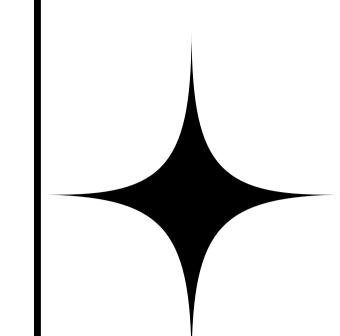
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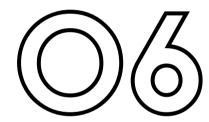


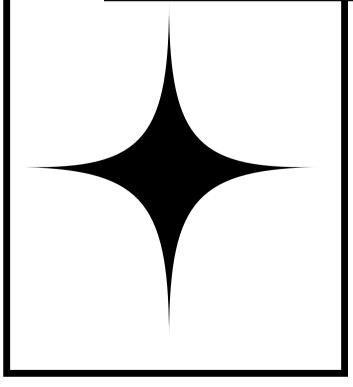
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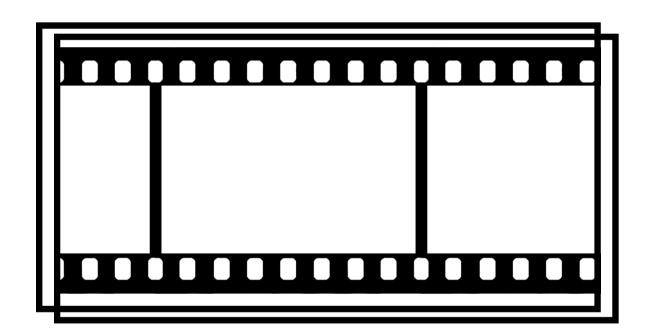


"Who wouldn't prefer having breakfast in bed to getting up at the crack of dawn and having a cup of coffee in a studio makeup department?"

BORN: 17th Oct 1918, Brooklyn DIED: 14th May 1987, New York

Rita Hayworth was born Margarita Carmen Cansino in 1917, into a family of dancers. She was taking lessons by the age of three, on stage and made her film debut in an uncredited role with her family age 8 in 'La Fiesta' in 1926.

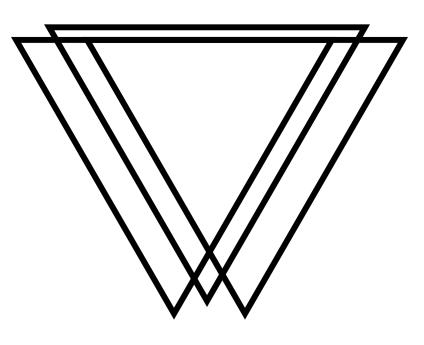
She was spotted and signed to Fox studio and made her first film in 'Dante's Interno' at age 16 under her real name, Rita Cansino. But they failed to make use of her full potential.



Following a series of small parts she was dropped by Fox but, thanks to her first husband Edward Judson, she was picked up by Columbia who changed her name to Hayworth, raised her hairline and started her on the path to stardom.

In 1941, after a series of smaller roles, Hayworth hit the big time having success with 'The Strawberry Blonde' followed swiftly by the film that made her a star 'You'll Never Get Rich', where she co-starred, and danced gloriously, with Fred Astaire.

In her teens, Hayworth was her father's professional dance partner



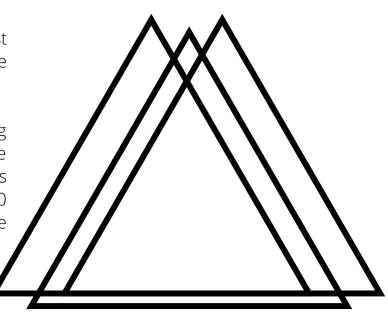
Hayworth's star continued to shine and 1946 brought her the iconic role of 'Gilda', which cemented her in film history and in the public imagination. Unfortunately it cemented her as Gilda and Hayworth would spend the rest of her career and a substantial portion of her personal life, trying to get out of Gilda's shadow.

Even so, she made many notable films after Gilda, including 8The Lady from Shanghai' in 1947 and 'Miss Sadie Thomson' in 1953.

"EVERY MAN I HAVE EVER KNOWN HAS FALLEN IN LOVE WITH GILDA AND AWAKENED WITH ME."

Hayworth married five times, most famously to Orson Welles and the Prince Aly Khan.

In 1960, at just 42, she began showing signs of early onset Alzheimer's that were initially mistaken for alcoholism. She was wasn't correctly diagnosed for another 20 years and Hayworth died of the disease in 1987 at the age of 68.



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