

‘Britain’s Got Talent’ Phenom Susan Boyle Makes US Solo Debut at Joel Osteen’s Church

Pastors Joel and Victoria Osteen will welcome Susan Boyle to Lakewood Church in Houston, Texas, for her first live solo performance in the U.S. during two Sunday services at 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. CST on Nov. 17. Both services will be live-streamed at [www.lakewoodchurchonline.com](#) and rebroadcast on the Daystar television network three weeks later.

Boyle will perform three songs, including “Miracle Hymn,” an original composition from *The Christmas Candle* film, in which Boyle plays a role, and “O Come, All Ye Faithful,” her duet with Elvis Presley. Both tracks are on Boyle’s upcoming album, *Home for Christmas*, which released Tuesday.

Averaging 43,500 in weekly attendance, Lakewood is America’s largest church and the first stop on Boyle’s U.S. promo tour for her fifth album and her major motion picture debut in *The Christmas Candle*, a feature film based on a novella of the same name by best-selling author Max Lucado.

“Victoria and I, like all of America, fell in love with Susan Boyle the first time we saw her,” Joel Osteen says. “We are delighted and honored that she chose Lakewood Church for her first solo performance in this country.”

Boyle says, “I am really looking forward to attending and performing at Lakewood. This will be the largest audience I have ever performed to in the USA, and I am very excited. I’m also looking forward to my first trip to Texas. Many of my Texan fans have traveled around the globe for me, so I am excited to be visiting their home state and singing in such a wonderful venue. It is also the first time I perform ‘Miracle Hymn’ and ‘O Come, All Ye Faithful’ to a live audience, so it

will be a very special moment.”

Boyle gained worldwide attention with her appearance as a contestant on the TV program *Britain's Got Talent* in April 2009, singing “I Dreamed a Dream” from *Les Misérables*. She has gone on to become a top-selling artist, with more than 20 million albums sold worldwide, and has stormed to the top of the charts in more than 30 countries, garnered two Grammy nominations, and has seen her four albums go multiplatinum in more than 38 countries.

Adding to her myriad talents, Boyle will appear in her first acting role with the release of *The Christmas Candle* next month, in which she stars alongside Samantha Barks (*Les Misérables*) as Eleanor Hopewell, wife of the churchwarden in the enchanting village of Gladbury. The inspirational family film, produced by Impact Productions and Big Book Media and distributed by EchoLight Studios, releases in the U.S. on Nov. 22.

For additional information about Boyle, visit [. To learn more about *The Christmas Candle*, visit \[.\]\(#\)](#)