



SHÂN COTHI – Presenter

Shân Cothi is a celebrated Welsh classical and music theatre soloist, as well as an accomplished actress and television and radio presenter. Initially a music teacher, her career took off after winning the prestigious Blue Riband at the National Eisteddfod of Wales, leading her to become a professional singer.

Shân gained widespread recognition when she was cast as **Carlotta** in Andrew Lloyd Webber's *The Phantom of the Opera* in London's West End. She later took on the role of **Mrs. Lovett** in *Sweeney Todd*, performing alongside Sir Bryn Terfel at the Llangollen International Musical Eisteddfod and stepping in for Zurich Opera in a last-minute performance.

She has also performed in large-scale productions, including portraying the mythical figure **Ceridwen** in the spectacular *Ar Waith Ar Daith* finale at the Wales Millennium Centre. Her musical releases include the debut album *Passione* with the Welsh National Chamber Orchestra and *Paradwys*, which climbed the classical charts and led to a successful concert tour across Wales.

On Welsh television, Shân starred in the popular drama series *Con Passionate* and hosted a variety of programs, including *Bro* and *Y Sipsiwn*, showcasing her love for Welsh culture and landscapes. She also became known for her journey into competitive horse racing, featured in the documentary *Cheltenham Cothi*, and her climb of Mount Kilimanjaro in support of Velindre Cancer Centre and her charity, Amser Justin Time, raising awareness of pancreatic cancer.

Shân made history when she set a world record for the longest-distance duet, singing *Calon Lân* in a 7,000-mile link-up between Wales and Patagonia for BBC Music Day. She currently hosts the popular morning radio show *Bore Cothi* on BBC Radio Cymru.

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