

Susan Aglukark is an Inuk musician whose blend of Inuit folk music traditions and pop song writing has made her a recording star across Canada.

She has released ten albums to date and is the recipient of four Juno awards. Susan's debut album was released in 1993 entitled the "Arctic Rose", her music explored and expressed her life, her cultural reconnection and personal healing.

Susan's most successful single is "OCM" which reached number one on the Canadian Country and Adult Contemporary Charts in 1995. Her music video "Searching" also won an award at the Canadian Music Video Awards and became very popular on Much Music.

Her awards include the First Aboriginal Achievement Award in Arts and Entertainment and the Canadian Country Music Associations Vista Rising Star award. Susan has been a long advocate for northern Inuit communities, she has served as a national spokesperson for the National Division of the RCMP, National and Alcohol Drug Awareness Prevention Program and as an Ambassador for the Government of the Northwest Territories. Susan also co-founded the Aboriginal Literacy Initiative and founded the Arctic Rose Fund to assist Northern Food Banks. She was also the chair of the board of directors of the Arctic Children and Youth Foundation and represented Inuit at the World Conference on Human Rights in Vietnam. In 2007, she became the official spokesperson for the Indigenous mentorship program, "Empowering Our Little Sisters" and in 2008 Susan became a scholar in residence at the University of Alberta where she mentored Indigenous artists and helped develop a joint Indigenous studies recreation sport and community health degree program. Susan has long dedicated her career to improving the lives of Inuit youth.

One of Susan's most recent projects is a children's book which honours the resilience of the Inuit. She's published a series called "*Una Huna?: What is this?*" which follows a young Inuk girl named Ukpik, the stories take place around the late 18 hundreds and early 19 hundreds as contact between Inuit communities and European traders began to grow in the territory now known as Nunavut.

In 2022, Susan received a special Juno to honour all of her humanitarian efforts. In 2016, she was also a recipient of a Governor General's Performing Arts Award for lifetime artistic achievement. And in 2005 she was named an Officer of the Order of Canada.

Susan has performed for Queen Elizabeth, several Prime Ministers and former South African President, Nelson Mandela.

Susan Aglukark, a voice from the north, heard by the world.

At the National Music Centre, Speak Up! exhibition.