Katy Perry Celebrates Fourth of July with Tribute to 2010 Hit ‘Firework’ and Teases ‘Woman’s World’

PEOPLE — Katy Perry is owning the night like the Fourth of July.
he *Teenage Dream* hitmaker shared a patriotic photo on Instagram, paying tribute to her 2010 song “Firework.” In the photo, Perry, 39, poses in a bedazzled, star-shaped swimsuit emblazoned with stars and stripes.



Katy Perry. PHOTO: JULIEN HEKIMIAN/GETTY

The silver straps matched her earrings, and she wore red lipstick to match her red polka-dot bandana.

Perry channeled Rosie the Riveter, posing with one hand on her hip, and flexing her muscles with the other.

“BB UR A FIREWORK □,” she began her caption, adding, “and speaking of work, WOMAN’S WORLD IS GOING TO WORK IN ONE WEEK HAPPY 4TH □□”
Perry previously announced her new single “Woman’s World” on Wednesday, June 19, which is the first time she’s released music since 2020’s *Smile*. The new song is set for release on Thursday, July 11, with the music video premiering the following day.

The “California Gurls” singer gave fans a sneak peek of the new song on Instagram, lip-synching: “Sexy, confident / So intelligent / She is heaven sent / So soft, so strong.”



Katy Perry.LEON NEAL/GETTY
Following the song’s release in 2010, Perry opened up

to *Billboard* about the inspiration behind the lyrics. “It’s a song where I think my purpose to some people might change when they hear it,” she said at the time.

Perry told the publication the idea that sparked the song came from a Jack Kerouac novel, and it’s based on how she would want to be remembered: “Basically I have this very morbid idea . . . when I pass, I want to be put into a firework and shot across the sky over the Santa Barbara Ocean as my last hurrah.”

She continued, “I want to be a firework, both living and dead. My boyfriend showed me a paragraph out of Jack Kerouac’s book ‘On the Road,’ about people that are buzzing and fizzing and full of life and never say a commonplace thing.”

“They shoot across the sky like a firework and make people go, ‘Ahhh.’ I guess that making people go ‘ahhh’ is kind of like my motto,” Perry concluded.

The smash hit has become a major hallmark of pop culture. Perry famously sang “Firework” for the 2021 presidential inauguration of Joe Biden.

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In 2022, the pop star joked that people have been getting the words wrong to the 2010 hit song.

“It’s awe, awe, awe, everybody. Get it right! It’s not ‘Fireworks’ it’s ‘Firework,’ ” she said when Luke Bryan sang the words wrong during an episode of *American Idol*.

She also cheekily called out the moment on Instagram. “FOR THE OFFICIAL RECORD ☝🏻. it is AWE not UP. it is FIREWORK not FIREWORKSSS. Swipe ➡🏻 for proof 🤓,” she wrote.

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