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Tonight viewers met the final six masked celebrities, Bagpipes, Rockhopper, Poodle, Panda, Snow Leopard and Traffic Cone. After all had performed, it was Snow Leopard who was unmasked and revealed to be Gloria Hunniford OBE, correctly guessed by panellist Jonathan Ross.

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Q&A with Gloria Hunniford.

Have you watched The Masked Singer before?

I have indeed. I have watched both series because I was very intrigued as it has many layers as a programme.

If you've watched before, do you have a favourite previous character?

Swan was a lovely costume. I like the prettier ones. Swan was a very intricate costume (although) I suspect it was hard to wear.

What made you decide to take on the challenge?

It was exactly that. I'm of a certain age and it was a challenge. It sounded like a lot of fun and I thought I'd like to try it.

How hard is it to keep the secret?

Very very hard. Even to this day only three people in my family know. You get the point that you are so afraid of mentioning it that as time passes, you look back and think did I actually do that. I'm looking forward to seeing the finished show.

How excited are you for the big reveal and who do you think amongst your friends/family will be the most surprised?

I think they are all going to be absolutely amazed, particularly my rather grown up grandchildren, because they wouldn't have heard me do anything like that before or seen me do anything like that before. I only sing occasionally and after a few glasses of wine so they wouldn't be expecting anything. I think it will be amazing.

What did you think of your mask, your overall look and the character you got to play?

I loved the character and I loved the whole costume. I think the costume people are utterly breathtakingly amazing and I loved it.

How about the clue packages - what kind of input did you have on those and do you have a favourite nugget of information from them?

Only in as much as you are obviously talking about your life and they are things that you have done. So yes you do have input but we were trying to put them off the trail quite a lot. Jonathan of course, I've met so I wasn't surprised that he got it quite quickly.

Were there any nerves when you first performed as your character or did being hidden inside the costume make you feel more confident?

I think when you are hiding behind the costume it does take away some of the nerves. The biggest nerves that I had was the fact that I couldn't see where I was going.

What did you think of the panel's guesses?

I thought some of them were hysterical but it was Jonathan who made the connection with the clues.

If you could wear your mask and costume just one more time what occasion would you choose to wear it to?

I'd love to have it for Christmas day and walk in on the whole family.

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