



## Simply Sharon

How she's reinventing herself and the traditional variety show—Osbourne style

**How did you come up with the idea for *Osbournes: Reloaded*, which debuts this month on Fox?** Last year the four of us [Ozzy, Sharon, Kelly and Jack] joined up to host *The Brits*, the English equivalent of the Grammy Awards. We had such a good time we decided we should do something together again.

**You've said that no one's ever seen anything like this new show. Should we be nervous?** It's not scary or mean. It's a bit irreverent. Guests like Britney Spears and Elton John will be doing things you wouldn't normally see them do.

**You're also on *America's Got Talent*. Do you think you're a better judge than Simon Cowell?** I don't think so. Simon has a great instinct for what the general public will like. I'm more extreme in my taste.

**Be honest. Do you think David Hasselhoff is the Paula Abdul of *America's Got Talent*?** Oh, God, yes. He never stops crying. He gets emotionally involved.

**You recently signed a deal to write two novels. How did that come about?** A book company asked if I'd ever thought about it. I said, "Only if it was really dirty and raunchy." And they said, "That's just what we're looking for."

**You were diagnosed with colon cancer in 2002. How did that change your life?** It was a shock because there hadn't been cancer in my family. Ozzy had a nervous breakdown. The kids went crazy. That's the thing about cancer—the whole family gets sick with it.

**But you're okay now?** Yes.

**You're open about having had plastic surgery. What have you had done?** My breasts, my face, liposuction, a tummy tuck, a leg lift ... I've had everything you can think of except for my eyes and lips. I wouldn't touch them.

**Is there any other plastic surgery you would consider in the future?** No, because I've really abused my poor old body that way. I have to respect it and not do any more.

**What would surprise people about you?** I lead a quiet life. It's really hard to get Ozzy and me out to something. There has to be a very good reason to go. —Ellen Byron

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