

Voice of Siri steps forward

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Oh Siri, now we really know you.

The woman behind that comforting and helpful voice on millions of U.S. iPhones and iPads has been revealed. CNN on Friday introduced Susan Bennett, who lives outside Atlanta, as the source of the recorded answers to everything from "What's the weather like?" to "What is the meaning of life?"

Bennett told CNN she started the journey as Siri's voice in 2005, two years before the first iPhone was introduced, offering text-to-speech recordings for four hours a day.

Bennett told CNN that the process of recording the voice that would later become Siri wasn't just answering a string of questions, but rather speaking words and phrases that could be mixed together to form many different answers.

CNN says highly secretive Apple Inc. won't confirm Bennett's legitimacy, but a voice analysis professional told CNN he is "100 percent" sure she's the real deal.

Bennett is the voice of Siri in the United States. Other Siris around the world have already revealed themselves.

Bennett started doing voice work in the 1970s, CNN reported. She's also done a number of television and radio commercials and is the <u>voice</u> of the traveler assistant in Delta Air Lines airport terminals.



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