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New York City Swing Presents

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Musicians

As the preeminent entertainment company in New York, we have graced the parties of countless Fortune 500 Companies, fundraising organizations, as well as performing for such notable clients as Michael Eisner, Oprah Winfrey at the IRTS Gala, Ted Turner, and Presidential Inaugurals for George Bush and Bill Clinton. New York City Swing has played the weddings of Jamie-Lynn Sigler, Sumner Redstone, David Koch, Rupert Murdoch's son, Gerald Levin's daughter, and an endless roster of celebrities, and sports personalities. We played for the Heisman Trophy Award Dinners for the past 10 years including the most recent 2012 ceremony honoring Johnny Manziel.

DORE DeQUATTRO
Owner, Bandleader,
Trumpet

Dore DeQuattro established New York City Swing thirty two years ago. Dore is an accomplished trumpet player, and bandleader himself. His charisma and effervescence, along with his talented musicians are a joy to experience.

As owner of **New York City Swing, Uptown Swing, Big City Swing Downtown Swing and 52nd Street Swing** bands, Dore will work with each and every client to insure an unsurpassed level of personal service. This in itself is unique to the industry.

You will enjoy working with him to conceptualize your event from beginning to end, exactly as you wish!!

TIM CURTIN
Musical Director, Guitar

Tim has been a guitar player for over 40 years.

He has performed with many legendary artists: Leslie West, Corky Laing, Larry Coryell, Felix Cavaliere, Levon Helm, Lester Chambers, Phoebe Snow and Jack Bruce to name a few. Remember PIG VOMIT, Howard Stern's band? That was Tim and his brother John!

In 1996 after touring Japan with (a then unknown) Christina Aguilera Tim began his career with **New York City Swing**. Tim says, "Performing with this band gave me the opportunity to play with the best musicians that New York City had to offer without the strenuous lifestyle of a touring musician."



In February of 2009 Tim was promoted to Musical Director and continues to perform as the guitarist in what he considers to be the best band in the business.



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ROZ BROWN, VOCALS

Roz appeared on several television programs including Rosie O'Donnell, Good Morning America, All My Children, Third Watch and Law & Order. Roz has also graced the stage by appearing in One Mo' Time, Dreamgirls, Footloose, Hair, Ain't Misbehavin, Little shop of Horrors and most recently, We Will Rock You (the music of Queen). Working in such productions has allowed Roz

to sing and work with Brian May of Queen, Tony Award winning directors Walter Bobbie and Andrew Lloyd Webber, James Rado, Neil Simon, Alan Menken and the late Cy Coleman.

VOCALS

Bigz Benjamin (Hip Hop)

Bigz is truly the last of a dying breed, bringing that gritty hood swag style we have all grown to love for the past 10 years. Reminds you of M.O.P., Jadakiss, Busta, Nas... you get the point. He has made appearances on the summer jam out stage Training Camp Greek Fest etc. This artist is on the rise; definitely a force to be taken seriously.



Andre (Dre) Herriott

Andre', aka "Prince the Star" (PTS) Singer/dancer/entertainer/musician: performing since age nine in various talent showcases and venues including Sweetwaters, Honey Suckles West, Gateway National Park and numerous corporate parties, upscale weddings and many Bar Mitzvahs. Andre is dedicated to the happiness and satisfaction of the client and the events at hand!!



Charlie Howard (Sinatra Performer)



When Charlie Howard steps out on the stage, his presence brings back glory days of the 50s and 60s when Frank Sinatra was in his prime. Charlie grew up in Brooklyn listening to musical greats, like Ella

Fitzgerald, Count Basie, and Duke Ellington. But, he was a true-blue Frank Sinatra fan. While other teens were hooked on the Beatles, he listened to "Old Blue Eyes."

In memory of Sinatra, Charlie Howard has Entertained at President's Inaugural Balls, the Copacabana, the Philharmonic Hall, the John Peel Room, Jilly's, and many other famous venues.

Whether you see him perform with a 8-piece band or full 15-piece orchestra, you will fall in love with this tribute to a Legend – "Frank Sinatra Lives."

Jimi Mitchell



Jimi Mitchell is a talented singer, songwriter and entertainer. Winning first prize seven times at the Harlem's famed Apollo; Jimi's vocal skills have taken him across the United States, as

well as Japan and Europe. Reminiscent of iconic R&B/soul singers like Otis Redding and Stevie Wonder, Jimi's ability to belt out the hits is guaranteed to make any celebration a success.

Yvette Rovira

As a singer/songwriter, Yvette garnered several placements on MTV and VH1 television shows as well as having her song chosen as the theme song for the MTV/LOGO show "The Setup Squad". Yvette's songs have played in the trailer for Tyler Perry's film "For Colored Girls", and in the TV shows "What Chilli Wants", "Fantasia for Real", "Styled by June" and many more...



Yvette sang back-up for Chrisette Michelle, Slick Rick, Big Daddy Kane and Shannon. She currently sings with the acclaimed underground hip hop band, "Lifted Crew".



VOCALS continued

Nikki Z. Sanders

Nikki has been with New York City Swing for over 14 years and has performed at many of our most important gigs: the Heisman Trophy Dinners, Jaime-Lynn Sigler's wedding just to name a few.



Carl Thornton



Carl has performed in numerous theatre, film and television productions. There are too many to list but here's a sampling: theatre: RENT, 5 GUYS NAMED MOE, films: HOLD ONE MOMENT, THE SIEGE, and television shows: THE RUPAUL SHOW, MTV NETWORK, NBC, CBS.

His training includes: Voice: Robert Marks, Laconia Smedley (currently), Acting: The American Academy of Dramatic Arts (currently), Herbert Berghof Studio, Stella Adler Studios, Dance: June Claire School of Dance, Phil Black Dance Studios, The Betsy Dickerson School of Performing Arts.

Robby Bostick, Vocals and Percussion



BAND MEMBERS

Ron "Boz" Bostick: Bass

Performed with Blue Magic, Funkadelic, Della Reese & Super Blue among others. Besides New York City Swing, he plays bass for Lil' Bastad, a unique jazzy/bluesy/funky/soulful/rockin' R&B band.



Ken Levinsky: Keyboards

For over 25 years, Ken has worked as a multi-keyboard player, composer, arranger, and conductor. He has played on albums, film scores, live television, radio broadcasts and over 20 Broadway shows. In addition, Ken has played concerts and festivals, backing well known artists in the



classic rock, jazz, blues, and cabaret fields. A partial list is all we can fit: Live performances with Joe Lynn Turner (Rainbow; Deep Purple), Eddie Money, Mark



Farner (Grand Funk Railroad), Robin Zander (Cheap Trick), Buck Dharma (Blue Oyster Cult), Johnny Mathis.

Steve Williams, Drums

Drummer Steve Williams has toured, performed, and recorded with major artists around the world, including Sade, David



Byrne, Ivan Neville, Keith Richards, Rich Robinson, Digable Planets, PM Dawn, Da La Soul, Vanilla Ice, BaBa Olutunji, Mark Anthony Thompson, Will Downing, Mica Paris, Peabo Bryson, The Family Stand, Zhane, Chuck Jackson and Maxine Brown, and many others.

RODNEY HOWARD, Drums

Rodney breathes life into the tepid, paint-by-numbers method that has become the norm for the modern approach to live music. Injecting a big dose of in-the-moment heart into the world of backing tracks and

"hit the space bar" mentality, he's a reminder that there can be charm and spontaneity in live pop music.

Plays with Avril Lavigne, Gavin DeGraw, Regina Spektor.



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Lou Caputo: Sax

Lou Caputo, has been a professional musician for over thirty years. A multi-instrumentalist (saxophones, clarinets and flutes) he has performed in show bands with the likes of Tony Bennett, Patti LaBelle, Lou Rawls, Frankie Valli, Jack Jones, Frankie Avalon, and a host of others. As well as

the many of the famous Motown acts like the Temptations and the Four Tops. Aside from this he has performed along side of Salsa legends like Candido, Bobby Sanabria and Lou Perez. In 2009, he performed on Harry Connick's album of classic love songs, "Your Songs."



Arno Hecht: Sax

Performed with Rolling Stones, Robert Plant, James Brown, Joan Jett, Ray Charles, Tom Waits, Pat Benatar, J. GeilsBand, Dion, Buster Poindexter, B.B. King, Ronnie Spector, Billy Joel.

Played on: "Living In America" (James Brown), "Hot, Hot, Hot" (Buster Poindexter), "I Hate Myself For Loving You" (Joan Jett), "Word Up" (Cameo), "Unchain My Heart" (Joe Cocker), "Don't Leave Me This Way" (The Communards), "Love Shack" (The B52s). Appeared on David Letterman, The Tonight Show, The Smothers Brothers Comedy Hour, The Jim Henson Hour, SNL.



Eric Huff: Sax

ERIC HUFF, saxophonist, has played and arranged for Beyonce Knowles in addition to also performing with Gloria Gaynor, Jennifer Love Hewitt, Kirk Franklin, Clifton Davis, Melba Moore, Billy Preston, Ron Kenoly, Chops Horns, just to name a few. He has also toured extensively in Europe, Southeast Asia, Bali, South Africa and Russia.



Mike Lewis: Trumpet

Performed with greats: Buddy Rich, Billy Joel, Natalie Cole, Bruno Mars, Sarah Vaughn, Mel Tormé, Bob Hope, Sammy Davis and Rosemary Clooney.

Mike was also band leader for Bill Gates wedding in Hawaii in the early '90's.



Max Swigart: Sax

Max has been seriously living, playing and teaching music for over 25 years. Proficient in all areas and styles of music—with emphasis in the woodwind instruments, keyboards, and drums.

He is a founding member of the touring and professional jazz group, New York City Swing, and has toured with well-known bands throughout North America, Europe, and the Far East.

His career as recording soloist and backup musician includes working with Billy



Eckstein, Joe Williams, Vic Damone, Al Dimiello, Jerry Lewis, Flip Wilson, Shecky Greene, Redd Foxx, Roy Clark, Bobby Gentry, Wayne Newton, Dionne Warwick, Vicky Sue Robinson, The Four Tops, The Temptations, The Drifters, The Marvelettes, and the Angels.

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NEW YORK CITY SWING has been performing at New York's weddings and events for thirty two years. Unparalleled versatility, and world class musicians make New York City Swing the gold-standard in entertainment. We specialize in the full range of dance music through all eras, by real musicians who get it right! We are proud of our exceptional talent.

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