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MUSIC FOR
THE
MASSES

Suggested entertainment acts
January—June 2007



Strings Jazz Cover and Party Bands MCs and Hosts

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Setting the mood with the right entertainment, in style

Thank you for considering Music for the Masses for your next event, be it a small and intimate affair or a large and brash occasion we have the breadth and depth of talent to entertain you and your guests in style.

In this flyer:

Music for the Masses has is very discriminating when deciding who to represent; in short we wouldn't be happy with an act that we wouldn't book ourselves, so therefore we take our time in selecting new acts.

With this philosophy as a cornerstone of our business you can be assured the acts we showcase in this *Suggested Acts* flyer are the best of each category available right now in Victoria. In some cases we may have as few as one act in a category because there is simply no better act available.

This *Suggested Acts* flyer is updated quarterly, sometimes more frequently and serves as a sampler of the fine acts that we represent. Please note this is by no means our entire line-up.

Each act featured here has a link to further information and in most cases sample songs for you to download and listen to. We encourage you to follow those links and where possible listen to as many of the sample songs as you can so you can make an informed choice as to the right entertainment for your event.

The descriptions for each act have typical ensemble size and pricing based on this, however please note most if not all acts do perform either in smaller or larger groups and can accommodate literally a function of any size.

Once you have found an act you like, please contact us on our toll-free number **1800 468 742** to arrange a tentative booking. We will confirm availability and send our contracts to you. All acts are booked upon signing of a contract and receipt of a booking deposit.

Assuring you of the best possible service always,

Glen McBride, Proprietor, MFTM Pty LTD

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We'll set the mood with these fine Jazz acts



The Plezurhounds

With the Swing resurgence, a fashionable Lounge culture, and Latin music's screen hit The Buena Vista Social Club, the comfortable sophistication of live Jazz is more than ever "in vogue"

Excellent service, fine dining and timeless Jazz hits: an invitingly accessible and winning combination

One of our most asked-for acts, The Plezurhounds take jazz back to its soulful roots, playing hits from Miles Davis, Dizzy Gillespie, Dave Brubek and more from similar eras, The Plezurhounds are a delight to listen to and will surely make any event truly sophisticated

Ensemble size: Typically three, up to five. Can be instrumental and/or vocal
Typical engagement fee: Trio For 3 x 45 minute sets approx \$1650.00 inc GST
Other combinations and set durations by quotation.

Sound samples online at <http://www.mftm.com.au/demos/plezurhounds/>

Annemarie Sharry Ensemble

The smooth vocal styling of Annemarie Sharry bring a sophisticated sense of musicianship to bear on the jazz classics. She performs with ensembles ranging in size from duo to quintet, delivering moods that vary from mellow and intimate, to up-tempo and exciting. an outstanding vocalist and ensemble leader, Annemarie and her group perform classics such as 'girl from ipanema', 'the look of love' and 'fever' – a perfect compliment to your next sophisticated event.

With Annemarie's alluring vocal stylings enhanced by Dale's sympathetic accompaniment, this Melbourne ensemble meld popular jazz and Bacharach / Jobim evergreens to communicate the essence of a repertoire that allows for perceptive re-interpretation



Ensemble size: Typically three, up to five. Vocal ensemble
Typical engagement fee: Trio For 3 x 45 minute sets approx \$1650.00 inc GST
Other combinations and set durations by quotation.

Sound samples online at <http://www.mftm.com.au/demos/annemarie/>

We'll set the mood with these fine Jazz acts



The Incident!

A dynamic duo with a sound that rivals larger ensembles, The Incident! are a refreshing change from the norm and will be thoroughly entertaining.

Not only is The Incident a fine Jazz act, their repertoire extends well beyond traditional "Jazz" styles, moving into 60's and 70s soulful and laidback hits, classic hits as well as today's easy listening tunes from the likes of Sade and Norah Jones.

The Incident are very popular with wineries, river cruises, luncheons and dinners. Easily adapted to suit any function type The Incident represent excellent value for money while not compromising sound quality

Ensemble size: Typically duo, but can be up to five-piece. Usually a vocal ensemble

Typical engagement fee: Duo For 3 x 45 minute sets approx \$1250.00 inc GST

Other combinations and set durations by quotation.

Sound samples online at <http://www.mftm.com.au/demos/theincident/>

Peter Roberts

Jazz Pianist Vocalist

Peter Roberts has gained a reputation in Sydney as an impressive jazz pianist vocalist, performing regularly as soloist and sideman with many of Australia's top musicians at venues such as the Basement, the Side on Cafe, and the Harbourside Brasserie to name a few. In 1998 Peter graduated from the prestigious Jazz studies course at the Sydney Conservatorium of Music with a Bachelors degree in jazz performance, studying with teachers such as Mike Nock, Judy Bailey, Paul MacNamara, Roger Frampton, Gordon Brisker, Craig Scott and Dick Montz. In his final year at the Conservatorium Peter was awarded the Jack Chrostowski award for jazz piano, and was pianist for the Conservatorium's Big Band.



Ensemble size: Soloist as pianist / vocalist, also available as three piece Jazz ensemble

Typical engagement fee:

Soloist for one hour: \$440.00 inc GST

Jazz Trio 3 x 45 minute sets approx \$1650.00 inc GST

Other combinations and set durations by quotation.

Sound samples online at <http://www.mftm.com.au/demos/peterroberts/>

We'll set the mood with these fine String acts



The Enigma String Quartet

The Enigma String Quartet draws on the considerable talent of Academy Musicians from the Australian National Academy of Music to provide musical performances for your special event (be it a wedding, dinner or party for 2 to 2000 people). You can be assured that the Enigma String Quartet consists of musicians of only the highest calibre, as all members hold University-level performance degrees, and have appeared with numerous professional orchestras, including the Sydney Symphony Orchestra, the Melbourne Symphony Orchestra, Orchestra Victoria, Tasmanian Symphony Orchestra and the West Australian Symphony Orchestra.

When Music for the Masses searched for a String ensemble for our clients, we went straight to the best in the market. You can be assured that there is simply no better option available, anywhere!

Ensemble size: Quartet: 4 Players, instruments vary according to assignment

Typical engagement fee: First hour—\$660 inc GST, second and subsequent hours \$290 inc GST

Trios, duos and soloists are available by quotation.

Sound samples online at <http://www.mftm.com.au/demos/enigma/>

We'll set the mood with this fine a cappella trio

The Moodists

“Three beautiful voices harmonising together, without accompaniment—vocal music in its purest form”

The Moodists have been performing as an a cappella trio for the last four years. They each bring a love of vocal music and a wealth of personal performance experience to the group. Classical, Jazz and popular songs are all part of The Moodists extensive repertoire.

Performance highlights include:

Festival occasions at the Victorian Arts Centre

Performances for the Australia Day launch at Federation Square. Entertainment for corporate functions at Crown Casino in Melbourne. The Moodists have also performed at many community festivals such as the City of Yarra Christmas Carnivale and have had extensive experience at private functions and weddings



Ensemble size: Trio—vocal a cappella

Typical engagement fee: First hour—\$880 inc GST, second and subsequent hours \$330 inc GST

Duos and soloists are available by quotation.

Sound samples online at <http://www.mftm.com.au/demos/moodists/>

We'll set the mood with our fine Pianist and vocalist



Matthias Peitsch

Matthias Peitsch has been playing piano since his parents took him to to his first lesson over 15 years ago.

He studied classical piano and progressed through to Grade 6 AMEB standard on piano with excellent results. He then made a brash decision and decided to study as many other styles of music as he possibly could. These included Jazz, popular, latin and many other styles in between.

Available either as a solo performer or as part of a larger ensemble, Matthias' talents are engaged for literally all kinds of occasions, from wedding ceremonies to light music over a luncheon and all kinds of events in between

Ensemble size: Soloist

Typical engagement fee: First hour—\$440 inc GST, second and subsequent hours \$220 inc GST

Additional accompaniment is available, please enquire

Sound samples online at <http://www.mftm.com.au/demos/matt/>

We'll set the mood with this fine Harpist and Singer

Linda Beatty

Exquisitely elegant, a harpist adds an extra dimension of stylish sophistication to any even, be it a wedding ceremony or reception or a corporate event.

Linda offers an elegant and hauntingly beautiful performance blend as harpist and singer for corporate functions, weddings and concert events. Irish melodies intermingle with mystical songs of the Celts, popular and classical favourites complement the charm that comes only from a song

sung in French. And by providing in one package the unique choice of instrumental only or the combination of voice and harp, she is unlike any performer in Melbourne.

With a Diploma of Music from Griffith University's renowned Queensland Conservatorium of Music and, from the tender age of twelve, studying with The Melbourne Symphony Orchestra's principal harpist, music is a way of life.

For over ten years she has added style and elegance to prestigious events around Melbourne, Queensland and NSW. This included performing for 'The Melbourne Club', 'Conrad Treasury Casino', 'QLD Law Society', 'Commonwealth Bank', 'Myers', 'Porsche', 'The Hilton' and 'Dom Perignon' as well as many private functions with both indoor and outdoor settings.

Ensemble size: Soloist

Typical engagement fee: One hour—\$385.00, two hours \$550.00, additional hours \$72.00 (All inc GST)

Sound samples online at <http://www.mftm.com.au/demos/linda/>



We'll set the mood with this fine duo



Tea rose duo

The Tea Rose Duo present salon or palm court music in a contemporary way. Whether you see them live, or listen to their CD recordings you will be entertained and relaxed by them. Ideal for a romantic evening or a relaxing spell... a dinner party or some mellow music to brighten up your day.

Bernard and Sarah Depasquale use their classical training as a starting point for their performances. Ragtime, jazz, blues, classical and gypsy all make their presence felt in their diverse programmes. Listen to Sarah weave a magic spell with her violin as she travels from country to country and genre to genre. Sarah's vivacity and joy are perfectly balanced by Bernard on the piano as he calmly accompanies her on their travels.

The Tea Rose Duo present popular and classical favourites on violin and piano. "Easy listening instrumental music that's relaxing, romantic and perfect for cocktail parties and weddings".

Live performances are regularly described as "outstanding" and "superlative". Their recordings are perfect for dinner parties - even better for lovers... (of fine music!). Let this multi award winning duo from South Australia enchant you with their own inimitable style and finesse.

"Spending an hour with Sarah and Bernard Depasquale is like spending an hour with your best friends" - Shannon Caton, Messenger Newspapers, April 7 1999

The Tea Rose Duo have picked up 5 SAMI awards in the public voting over the last 3 years and have twice been voted "Best Band/Artist in SA" and "Best New CD Release in SA".

Ensemble size: Duo: Piano and Violin

Typical engagement fee: One hour—\$780.00, three hours \$990.00, four hours \$1200.00 (All inc GST)
(Three hour and greater bookings will be in 45 min sets with 15 min breaks)

Sound samples online at <http://www.mftm.com.au/demos/tearose/>



We'll set the mood with this fine Party and Cover Band **Fat Sam & The Toothpicks**

Fat Sam and the Toothpicks specialises in performing the authentic sounds of Funk, Soul, Disco and Rock 'n' Roll.

Fat Sam and the Toothpicks features some of Melbourne's finest musicians to provide an evening of entertainment for your function, with a stage line-up adapted to suit your requirements and budget.

Available typically as a five piece, however can accommodate smaller or larger ensembles according to the function requirements, Fat Sam and the toothpicks have a pull, lush sound that is anything but laid-back, entertaining from the first chord through to the last encore you and your guests will be yelling for MORE!

Ensemble size: Five Piece (Typical, depends on assignment)

Typical engagement fee: From \$2700 inc GST, depends on assignment, ensemble size and production

Sound samples online at <http://www.mftm.com.au/demos/fatsam/>

We'll set the mood with these fine Cover and Party Bands



Savanna

SAVANNA has become Melbourne's Premiere Corporate, Wedding and Five Star Function Band - performing the Classic Hits of Yesterday and Today-Jazz, Ballads, Latin, Rock, Pop & Disco from the 40's,70's,80's,90's to Now.

Savanna's Strength is its enormous 'Talent & Versatility', With an Exciting Collaboration of some of Australia's Finest Entertainers!

When its FUN you want, its Savanna that you must have!

Playing everything from 50's, big-band styles through to 80's cheesy party songs and today's top 40 hits, Savanna are the right band for those who want to party.

Ensemble size: Typically five piece through fifteen "Big-Band" style. Vocal party band

Typical engagement fee: Five piece For 4 x 45 minute sets approx \$2550.00 inc GST

Other combinations and set durations by quotation.

Sound samples online at <http://www.mftm.com.au/demos/savanna/>

Funk 'N Soul

A fresh, young group of classically trained musicians doing what they love most—playing music.

As their name suggests the music Funk 'N Soul play is influenced by the booty shakin era of the 70's and 80s—all the songs you love to dance to.

Funk'n Soul are equally at home in dinner suits for those formal occasions as they are for a laid back afternoon affair!



Fresh, Vibrant and most importantly, FUN!

Funk N' Soul are fast gaining a reputation for a band that loves to get their clients partying—early and often.

Engaged for a broad variety of occasions their repertoire is all fun, all dancing and all party.

Funk 'N soul features the vocal sounds of Michelle Hefner out front allowing a wide

Ensemble size: Typically five. Vocal ensemble

Typical engagement fee: Five piece for 4 x 45 minute sets approx \$2000.00 inc GST

Other combinations and set durations by quotation.

Sound samples online at <http://www.mftm.com.au/demos/funknsoul/>

We'll set the mood with this fine Latin band



Bossa Negra

Bossa Negra is a new band that conveys and invokes the excitement of Brazil's crazy carnivals, football, beautiful beaches and the exhilarating nightlife of Rio de Janeiro

Formed in Melbourne by drummer Howard Lee, this band is dedicated to the performance of Brazilian music. After almost 2 years traveling in Brazil and studying the numerous Brazilian music styles from Recife down to Rio de Janeiro, he has compiled a repertoire that includes the styles of samba, frevo, maracatu, forro, MPB (Brazilian pop) as well as the famous bossa nova that dominated the world since the 1960's.

Songs made famous by well known Brazilian composers and musicians such as; Antonio Carlos Jobim, Sergio Mendes, Jorge Ben Jor, Joao Gilberto, Elis Regina, Djavan, Milton Nascimento, Luiz Gonzaga and Pixinguinha are all included in the band's repertoire.

From a large ballroom to a small café, Bossa Negra are flexible in adapting to all occasions, venues and budgets in the following formats: **Quintet (with vocals)** - Vocals, drums, bass, guitar, saxophone **Quartet (Instrumental)** - Drums, bass, guitar, saxophone **Trio (Instrumental)** - Bass, guitar, saxophone and **Duo (Instrumental)** Guitar, saxophone

Typical engagement fee: Please enquire, varies according to number of players and number of sets
Sound samples online at: <http://www.mftm.com.au/demos/bossanegra/>

We'll set the mood with this fine Operatic Quartet



Fourtissimo

The *fourtissimo* opera quartet is a stylish, young and talented group of opera singers who perform a wide repertoire of music - ranging from classical quartets to contemporary pieces

Being experienced performers *fourtissimo* know how to entertain, and coupled with their classically trained voices, they provide a breathtakingly beautiful performance

Fourtissimo are happy to tailor performance pieces according to client requirements and also have a large range of songs which they perform on a regular basis. Some examples include:

Bella figlia dell'amore, Rigoletto - Verdi
Nessun Dorma, Turandot - Puccini
Barcorolle, Tales of Hoffman - Offenbach
All I ask of you, Phantom of the Opera - Lloyd-Webber
Time to say goodbye,
One Hand, One Heart, West Side Story - Bernstein

Libiamo, La Traviata - Verdi
Au Fond Du Temple Saint, Pearl Fishers - Bizet
Flower Duet, Lakme - Delibes
Amigos Para Sempre - Lloyd-Webber
Tonight, West Side Story - Bernstein

Ensemble size: Quartet, although can perform as trio with a reduced repertoire
Typical engagement fee: Please enquire, varies according to assignment

Sound samples online at: <http://www.mftm.com.au/demos/fourtissimo/>

We'll set the mood with these fine Masters of Ceremony



Xavier Diaz

Xavier's experience as a performer is extensive and he draws upon this knowledge when working as an MC and Presenter for Corporate Events, Weddings, Fundraisers and Retail Promotions.

Some of his credits include: Hosting Marstel Terminals Grand opening of their new State of the Art Facility at Coode Island. Melbourne City Mission's Fundraising event for the 2005 Homeless not Helpless campaign at QV, Melbourne. The Grand Opening of Wellington Square Shopping Centre and Hosting the Vijawada Orphanage Auction Fundraiser.

Be it a corporate end of year event, an awards evening or a Wedding reception, Xavier's experience in these and numerous other fields of public speaking and performing allows him to conduct these events professionally and with just the right amount of charisma.

Typical engagement fee: Varies according to assignment, quotations are provided after an initial consultation with clients

Jeremy Samuel

Corporate MC, Conference leader and motivator.

Jeremy's business card reads "Chief laughter officer" and that pretty much sums up everything about Jeremy.

Not that he takes things light-heartedly, indeed quite the opposite.

Jeremy heads up what he calls "The laughter company" where the philosophy is that humour is one of the most powerful tools available for boosting effectiveness for individuals and organisations.

"We are all about using humour to create serious performance improvement.

Individual effectiveness is enhanced through the power of lightening up. This is integrated through skills such as communication, conflict resolution, problem solving and stress management. "

For organisations, building humour and fun into the culture increases staff engagement, which leads directly to productivity gains, greater revenue through stronger customer relationships and reduced costs of recruitment, absenteeism and careless errors.

The Laughing Company is committed to delivering fun, engaging high-impact training, workshops and seminars that lead to tangible, measurable outcomes.

We facilitate events that are based on our values of light-heartedness, fun and serious performance improvement. As such, our programmes are not spectator sports. Participants will be on their feet, moving around, working in teams, laughing and experiencing in order to anchor the material and provide a safe environment to practice new skills.

Typical engagement fee: Every customer event is quoted only after consultation with the client
Please enquire.



We'll set the mood with these fine Combined entertainment & DJ packages



Platinum package

Ideal for events such as Wedding receptions, corporate dinners, fundraisers and more. Combining the "Best of both worlds" you can choose to have a String Quartet or a Jazz Trio for your pre-dinner drinks or arrivals phase of your function, then using the resources of our sister company, DJs of Distinction, have a 5 hour DJ entertainment package for the remainder of the evening

The Platinum package allows clients to have their entertainment "Both ways" - live entertainment and then a DJ for partying.

Options:

Pianist for one hour then a DJ of Distinction package for 5 hours *or*
String Quartet for one hour then a DJ of Distinction package for 5 hours *or*
Jazz instrumental trio for one hour then a DJ of Distinction package for 5 hours *or other live music options*

The package is very flexible, other combinations may also include for example a harpist, or you may extend the time of the live performer for a small additional fee.

Pricing:

Platinum package with Pianist—\$990 inc GST
Platinum package with String Quartet—\$1200 inc GST
Platinum package with Jazz instrumental trio \$1400 inc GST

DJs of distinction

Impeccably attired, music savvy, corporate and wedding DJs

"A totally unique approach to supplying DJs to your most important events, with a focus on quality and outcome for your event and breaking down traditional stereotypes. DJs of Distinction as its name suggests, delivers a quality performance each and every time"

Music for the Masses' sister company, DJs of Distinction is just as its name suggests—DJs who break the stereotypes normally associated with hiring a DJ.

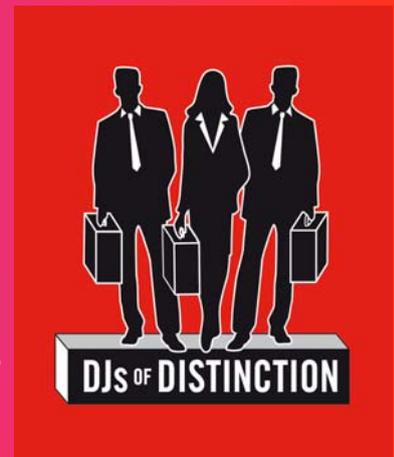
DJs of Distinction know their music, and their events. Be it a Wedding reception or a corporate dinner, a Christmas party or a product launch, the DJ you choose through the DJs of Distinction website will make your event one to remember, and most importantly—FUN.

Visit the website to view the biographies of some the DJs and of course be sure to download their near 40,000 track music database.

Typical engagement fee: DJs of Distinction have two packages that consist of DJ, light and sound equipment, access to the entire music library (As mentioned almost 40,000 tracks) and 5 hours party time.

Basic package: (Up to approx 150 guests) \$595.00 inc GST
Deluxe DJ package: (From 150 to approx 500 guests) \$795.00 inc GST

Online: www.djsofdaydistinction.com.au or telephone 1300 768 935



We'll set the mood with many more kinds of acts, performers and entertainers.

In this document we've just scratched the surface of the possibilities limited only by your imagination.

Thinking "Outside the square" is one of the things we do very well, and our clients reap the benefits of our experience and network of contacts throughout the entertainment industry.

If you have an idea that is not covered in this document please don't hesitate to drop us a line, or pick up the phone and we can have a chat about some of the many other possibilities available to you.

About Us

Music for the Masses is a Melbourne-based entertainment company servicing all of Victoria.

We focus on giving our clients an event to remember, and make it our duty to ensure the entertainment will run smoothly on the big day. We do this by using a wide range of professional musicians, **not** hobbyists, to play your function.

We'll work with you one-on-one to find the best entertainment, tailored to your individual needs and what you want your night to be.

While our list of acts covers a broad spectrum of styles, we do not have a cattle-call list of performers. Our artists are hand picked because of their reliability, and because they're some of the best in the business.

That's what our boutique style is all about: no-risk acts that have been handpicked after seeing them, in action, at parties and events. So we know what our customers will get.

Our acts can adapt their look to your night, whether it's black-tie or a laidback outdoor event. They can cater to a casual, intimate backyard gathering or an opulent, hundred-plus banquet!

Music for the Masses was established in 1992. Our Managing Director has had over twenty years experience entertaining 'the masses'.

Our aim has always been to provide the best possible entertainment to make any function a success.

Music for the masses: You supply the event, we'll supply the mood

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