

“SINATRA-BASIE”

WITH BRANDON TOMASELLO AND THE CITY RHYTHM ORCHESTRA

The City Rhythm Orchestra presents a spirited tribute to the famous collaboration of Count Basie and Frank Sinatra. In the 1950's and 60's, these two giants combined forces to set the music world on its ear. Their performances at the Newport Jazz Festival and the Sands Casino in Las Vegas are legendary, and their recording sessions produced albums that have become true classics. The 17-piece City Rhythm big band, featuring singer Brandon Tomasello, has had audiences and critics everywhere raving about this captivating show and the excitement they bring to this music today. The songs, the original arrangements, the musicians, and Brandon's vocal interpretations combine to create an unforgettable evening.

City Rhythm has been dazzling audiences for over 30 years and has earned the reputation as one of today's finest big bands. Led by Pete Spina and Nick Vallerio, the group has been praised by audiences and critics in both their hometown of Philadelphia and around the world. They've been featured at major concert venues in the USA such as the Kimmel Center, Mann Music Center, Lincoln Center, Birdland, the Blue Note, Glen Echo Ballroom, and the Sweets Ballroom; and throughout Europe at festivals in Rome, Florence, Perugia, Amsterdam, Cologne and Bordeaux. City Rhythm has recorded several successful CDs, including "Goin' to Town" (1994), "Swinging Blue" (1997), "City Rhythm Strikes Again" (1999), "Sounds of Hope" (2001), "Vibrant Tones" with renowned jazz artist Joey DeFrancesco on the Hammond B3 organ (2005), and "Songs You Can Live By" (2012).

Brandon Tomasello, known as "The Big Band Singer", has performed across casino showroom stages, festivals, and private events over the last ten years. Most recently, he recorded and released his first studio album with a 28-piece orchestra entitled, "My Kind of Swing" (2020). An alumni of both the Philadelphia Boys Choir and Philadelphia Performing Arts Charter School, Brandon's schooling taught him how to sing, but it was Sinatra who taught him how to swing.

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