



John Collin

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JOHN COLLIN, JAZZ DRUMMER

Highlights of Qualifications

- Talented and creative drummer with over 20 years of live band, studio, and stage experience
- Strong ability to read charts (including sight-reading) and transcribe music
- Jazz drumming aficionado

Professional Experience

BIG BANDS

The following is a list of Big Bands that I currently work with or have had the pleasure of working with:

Advocats Big Band
Bob Cary Orchestra
Bob Clegg Big Band
George Lake Big Band
GTA Swing Band
Hurricanes Big Band
John Hood Orchestra
Kerr Street Big Band
MegaCity Swing Band
Metro Big Band
Montcrest Big Band

Music Lovers Big Band
Royal Oaks Big Band
Sheraton Cadwell Orchestras
Sophisticated Swing
Swingline Little Big Band
Swing Shift Big Band
The Isotones Jazz Ensemble
The Jazz Connection Big Band
The OctoKats
Thornhill Swing Band

MUSICALS

The following is a list comprising of some of the many musical theatre productions I have played:

- Brampton Music Theatre: Disney's Camp Rock, Footloose, Peter Pan, The Sound of Music
- Clarkson Theatre: Mame
- Etobicoke Music Theatre: Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat
- Meadowvale Theatre: Beauty and the Beast, Cabaret, Hairspray!, The Who's Tommy
- Spirit Teens Musical Theatre: Anne of Green Gables
- St. Clements School: Fame
- StageWorks Toronto: Parade
- The Lower Ossington Theatre: The Rocky Horror Picture Show

OTHER

The following is a list of various musical projects or ensembles I performed the drums for:

- Band Leader, The John Collin Band
- Numerous original and cover bands of differing styles/genres
- Numerous in-studio and live professional recordings for various solo artists, bands and musicals, including recordings featured on Jazz FM 91.1
- Bomb Girls television series
- Dixie Demons Jazz Band
- East York Concert Band
- The King Edward Choir
- Solo Bell Mobility Tour, Cassie Steele (of television's Degrassi Jr. High)
- Greater Toronto Philharmonic Orchestra
- Sonic Band El-Live Productions, Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam
- Show Band Drummer, Celebrity Cruises

Awards and Recognition

- Best Rhythm Section Player Award, Sheraton Cadwell Orchestra
- Featured in DRUM! MAGAZINE
- Featured in Jazz Music Archives

Teaching Experience

In addition to offering private, personalized drum lessons to students of all ages/experience levels, I have also provided personalized drumming lessons through the following organizations: Long & McQuaid; Love Music; Scarborough Music; and T- Rox Music Academy.

Education & Training

- Over 20 years of drumming experience, with a specialization in jazz drumming
- Received private training on specialized jazz drumming techniques with notable greats including Jim Blackley, Roger Flock, Rick Gratton, Don Vickery and Paul DeLong
- Jazz Music Program, Humber College (1999-2001)

Associations

Toronto Musicians' Association, American Federation of Musicians