# SAM FAZIO vocalist

Chicago-based vocalist Sam Fazio has established a name for himself in the music scene over the past several years. Sam has performed at a wide variety of venues across the country. Sam's repertoire includes a unique mix of music that appeals to a wide range of audiences—from young adults to more mature audiences. Sam's versatility allows him to create the same performance experience regardless of the group size.

### **TESTIMONIALS**

"I booked Sam for a performance in our historic Capitol Theater. He was seated with the audience on the stage providing an intimate experience for both performer and audience. His music mix of jazz, pop and American standards was perfect for the setting and he charmed the audience with his warm, relaxed delivery. He's a true professional to work with from initial booking through end of performance."

"Sam Fazio is a delightful and easy entertainer to work with and creates a quality show. Several audience members asked me to bring him back in future seasons and we would certainly love to have him!"

#### HOLLY MARSHALL

Metropolis Performing Arts Centre Arlington Heights, IL "Sam Fazio performed for our Backstage Jazz Club series during the summer of 2016. Sam was very professional, reliable and easy to work with. He performed a nice varied repertoire that our audience enjoyed."

#### **BETSY WALLMAN**

Trueblood Performing Arts Center Washington Island, WI

#### TIM SAUERS

Overture Center for the Arts Madison, WI







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#### **REVIEWS**

"A singer with a clean, warm voice and attractive delivery, Sam Fazio is not your usual jazz singer, as he blends the type of voice that would sound good on Broadway with an overt Sinatra influence in what is a winning combination."

#### **BRAD WALSETH**

www.jazzchicago.net

"Too long away from music, Sam Fazio has returned and what a delight that is. He is a singer of great gifts and sure charm."

#### RICK KOGAN

The Sunday Papers, WGN Radio

"...Fazio's evocative voice, precise phrasing, and almost operatic delivery that nevertheless avoids theatrical excesses. Comparisions can be made with other male vocalists such as Harry Connick Jr., or the quintessential crooner Frank Sinatra but Fazio is very much his own man."

#### HRAYR ATTARIAN

Chicago Jazz Magazine

"Smooth is being re-defined.
Sam Fazio handles the classics
with gentle, respectful care.
There's a purity in his voice
that puts a wonderful, new spin
on songs that you love."

#### **DEAN RICHARDS**

Entertainment Reporter/Critic WGN 9 and WGN Radio 720

"Sam Fazio...a voice that's warm and inviting, virile but vulnerable: an instrument that borrows from old (Sinatra) as well as new (Kurt Elling). (Sam) makes it sound easy. He belts the Songbook in an open-throated, big-hearted shout that grew up on Broadway. But he tempers it with jazz phrasing. And he cloaks it all in that deceptive nonchalance that Frank and Tony and Mel and Nat brought to the table."

#### **NEIL TESSER**

Chicago Jazz Music Examiner and Author of Playboy Guide to Jazz

"Fazio's 2015 CD, Swingin' Thru the Holidays, [is] one of the best jazz holiday albums."

#### HOWARD REICH

Jazz Critic Chicago Tribune "Sam Fazio's crooning way with standards makes him something of a throwback, but he regularly achieves the highest standard of any gifted singer by making even the old sound new again."

#### TIME OUT CHICAGO

"Sam Fazio won't be a best-keptsecret for long. The Sunday night audience for 'Chicago Music' on 87.7FM has embraced everything we've played so far from his CD, The Songs We Love."

#### RICK O'DELL

WLFM-LP Chicago's Smooth 87.7

## **VENUES**

**CLUBS** Andy's Jazz Club • Birdland • Chicago Yacht Club • Cliff Bell's • City Winery • Conrad Hotel Lobby Bar • Coq d'Or at the Drake Hotel • Davenport's • Empire Room at the Palmer House • Feinstein's at the Loews Regency • Feinstein's 54 Below • Fitzgerald's Nightclub • Flatiron Room • Green Dolphin • Green Mill • High Hat Club • Katerina's • Londonhouse Hotel • 720 Lounge at Hilton Chicago • Noce • Palm Court at the Drake Hotel • Pete Miller's • Redhead • Renaissance Hotel Lobby Bar • Segal's Jazz Showcase • Space • Twelvewest • Untitled • Uptown Underground

FESTIVALS AND CONCERTS Barrington Shores Summer Concert • Chicago Botanic Gardens • Chicago Bulls Pre-Game show • Downtown Evanston Let's Dance • Elmhurst Rock the Block Party • Elmwood Park Summer Concert Series • Ephraim Summer Concert • Festa Italiana • Green Street Cruise Night • Jazz on the Lawn at the Honeywell House • Jazzin in the Streets • Long Grove Apple Festival • Lincoln Square Summer Concert • Morton Arboretum • Munster Summer Concert • Oakley Street Festival • Old Town Art Fair • Orland Park Concert • St Charles Jazz Weekend • Summer Nights at Brookfield Zoo • Taste of Chicago • Taste of Elmwood Park • Taste of Melrose Park • Taste of Oakbrook • The Grape Escape Wine Fest • Two Rivers Wine and Jazz Festival

**PERFORMING ARTS CENTERS** Capital Theater • Maxim's • Mayne Stage • Metropolis • Overture Center • Player's Barn of Farmington Hills • Schauer Arts Center • Skokie Theater • Thelma Sadoff • Trueblood

CASINOS Ameristar • Grand Victoria • Harrah's • Horseshoe • MGM Grand • Palace Station • Rivers

CORPORATE EVENTS AND PRIVATE PARTIES Big Night Chicago • Chicago Flower and Garden Show • Chicago History Museum • Great American Inaugural Ball • Hyatt Regency O'Hare • Mid America Club • McCormick Place • Park West • Pritzker Pavilion • Ritz Carlton • Swissotel • United Center • University Club of Chicago • Wit Hotel