

NEW ORLEANS GARDEN DISTRICT ORCHESTRA (NOGDO)

BIOGRAPHY

This jazz orchestra was organized by drummer and bandleader, David W. Hansen following his purchase of an amazing big band music library from friends in New Orleans. The library consists of five or more prominent band leaders' repertoire spanning more than a century of written music.

The nogdo has performed with 12 to 16 band members and also added two vocalists bringing the full jazz orchestra to an amazing 18 piece powerful big band.

The nogdo has a huge repertoire of pre-jazz and jazz ranging from classic standards, very old New Orleans traditional jazz and big band classics, standard stock and custom arrangements, military marches, fanfares, and hand written unique arrangements of New Orleans songs. There are over 2500 arrangements in the band's library dating from the 1890's through arrangements written today.

This library is truly a treasure and it is an amazing event when we have the full band performing material from this repertoire.

The jazz orchestra has performed entertaining dance sets, historical timeline performances, formal Mardi Gras Balls (called a Tableau), my "Jazz History Show" to the "Tribute to New Orleans Music" performances.

We can perform full sets or time period performances with:

1890's to 1916 ... A Pre-Jazz Performance!

1917 to 1929 ... Introduction to Jass, Jazz, Hot Jazz and the roaring 20's!

1930 to 1950's ... The classic Big Band Era.

1890's to 2014 ... a selection of our favorite big band charts!

This jazz orchestra fits well into larger budget corporate events, weddings, jazz festivals and Television/Film productions. We will work with you to customize our repertoire to fit your needs.

The musicians who make up the New Orleans Garden District (Jazz) Orchestra are selected from the very best New Orleans has to offer.

Current performances with the nogdo include private events for annual Mardi Gras Tableau (Carnival Balls), corporate events and weddings.

Call us today!

