

DOUG LAWRENCE

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Born in Louisiana and raised in New Mexico, tenor saxophonist Doug Lawrence spent over 25 years making a name for himself in New York City. Doug has performed and recorded with a number of iconic artists including Ella Fitzgerald, Frank Sinatra, Sarah Vaughan, Tony Bennett, Nancy Wilson, Ray Charles, Aretha Franklin, Dizzy Gillespie, Joe Williams, Celia Cruz, Benny Goodman, Stevie Wonder, Buck Clayton, Wild Bill Davis, Jimmy Cobb, Clyde Stubblefield, Donna Summer, Rodney Dangerfield, Joey DeFrancesco and many others. Doug has appeared at virtually every major concert hall and performance venue in the world and has performed for 6 Presidents, the King and Queen of England, Sweden and other Heads of State around the world. For the last 25+ years Doug has been the featured tenor saxophone soloist with the Legendary Multi Grammy® winning Count Basie Orchestra.

Doug continues to get calls to perform and record with many of today's leading artists including Billie Eilish, Ledisi, Dee Dee Bridgewater, Andra Day, Rita Payes, Jamie Cullum, Carmen Bradford, Dianne Schuur, Steve Jordon, George Cables, Peter Bernstein, Louis Hayes, Tadataka Unno and others. In 2023 Doug was inducted into the New Mexico Music Hall Of Fame as well as continuing his long history of appearing on Grammy® Winning and Grammy® Nominated recordings. Doug keeps a busy schedule touring the world performing and recording as a featured solo artist and leader of his own bands, as well as continuing his tenure with the venerable Count Basie Orchestra.