The Harlem Renaissance

MUSIC IN HARLEM



Musicians of the Harlem Renaissance

Louis Armstrong
Ella Fitzgerald
Duke Ellington
Billie Holiday
Charlie Parker
Chick Webb
Cab Calloway

Louis Armstrong



Louis Armstrong

Louis Satchmo Armstrong (August 4, 1901 – July 6, 1971), nicknamed Satchmo or Pops, was an American trumpeter, composer, singer and occasional actor who was one of the most influential figures in jazz. His career spanned five decades, from the 1920s to the 1960s, and different eras in jazz.

Famous Songs

What a Wonderful World
When The Saints Go Marching In
Dream a Little Dream of Me
Ain't Misbehavin
Stompin' at the Savoy

Ella Fitzgerald



Ella

Ella Jane Fitzgerald (April 25, 1917 – June 15, 1996) was an American jazz singer often referred to as the First Lady of Song, Queen of Jazz and Lady Ella. She was noted for her purity of tone, impeccable diction, phrasing and intonation, and a "horn-like" improvisational ability, particularly in her scat singing.

Ella's Famous Songs

<u>A-Tisket, A-Tasket</u>

Dream a Little Dream of Me

It Don't Mean a Thing (If It Ain't Got That Swing)



Ella and Louis Armstrong <u>Summertime</u>

Billie Holiday



Billie Holiday

Eleanora Fagan (April 7, 1915 – July 17, 1959), professionally known as Billie Holiday, was an American jazz musician and singer-songwriter with a career spanning nearly thirty years. Nicknamed "Lady Day", Her vocal style, strongly inspired by jazz instrumentalists, pioneered a new way of manipulating phrasing and tempo. There were other jazz singers with equal talent, but Holiday had a voice that captured the attention of her audience.

Billie Holiday Songs

All Of Me
God Bless the Child
I'll Be Seeing You
Strange Fruit

Duke Ellington



Edward Kennedy "Duke" Ellington (April 29, 1899 – May 24, 1974) was an American composer, pianist, and bandleader of a jazz orchestra, which he led from 1923 until his death in 1974 (a career spanning over fifty years.)

Duke Ellington Songs

Take the "A" Train

It Don't Mean A Thing (If it ain't got that swing)

Don't Get Around Much Anymore

Charley Parker



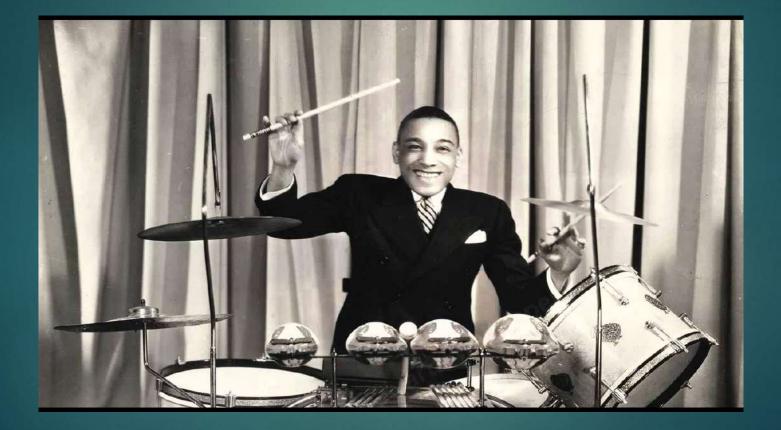
Charley Parker

Charles "Charlie" Parker, Jr. (August 29, 1920 – March 12, 1955), also known as **Yardbird** and **Bird**, was an American jazz saxophonist and composer. Parker was a highly influential jazz soloist and a leading figure in the development of bebop; a form of jazz characterized by fast tempos, virtuosic technique and advanced harmonies.

Charley Parker Songs

Night in Tunisia
Bird of Paradise
Hot House

Chick Webb



Chick Webb

William Henry "Chick" Webb (February 10, 1905 – June 16, 1939) was an American jazz and swing music drummer as well as a band leader. From an early age, he suffered from tuberculosis of the spine, leaving him with short stature and a badly deformed spine which caused him to appear hunchbacked. The idea of playing an instrument was suggested by his doctor to "loosen up" his bones. He supported himself as a newspaper boy to save enough money to buy drums, he first played professionally at age 11. At the age of 17 he moved to New York City and by 1926 (age 21) was leading his own band in Harlem. He alternated between band tours and residencies at New York City clubs through the late 1920s. In 1931, his band became the house band at the Savoy Ballroom. He became one of the best-regarded bandleaders and drummers of the new "swing" style.

Chick Webb Known For

Stompin' at The Savoy
Midnight in a Madhouse

Cab Calloway



Cab Calloway

Cabell Calloway III (December 25, 1907 – November 18, 1994) was an American jazz singer, dancer and bandleader. He was strongly associated with the Cotton Club in Harlem, New York City, where he was a regular performer. Calloway was a master of energetic scat singing and led one of the United States' most popular big bands from the start of the 1930s to the late 1940s. He danced in movies, in one movie, he can be seen performing a gliding back step dance move, which some observers have described as the precursor to Michael Jackson's "moonwalk".

Cab Calloway Songs



The End

More Musicians

Dizzy Gillespie-Trumpet player
 Count Basie-Piano and Band Leader
 Thelonious Monk-Singer and Pianist
 Fats Waller-Pianist and Singer

Dizzy Gillespie



Count Basie



Thelonius Monk



Fats Waller

