**kool & the gang**

Jazz. Funk. R&B. With a musical career that has bridged genres—and eras—how can you begin to put a label on Kool & the Gang?

Formed as a jazz ensemble in the mid-'60s, Kool & the Gang became one of the most inspired and influential funk units during the '70s. They continued their career as one of the most popular R&B groups of the '80s—after their breakout hit Celebration in 1979. Now, Kool & the Gang is securing their permanent place in musical history—becoming one of the most highly sought-after touring musical groups four decades after they got their start.

Kool & the Gang relies on their jazz backgrounds and long friendship to perform soulful songs ranging from old favorites like Too Hot and Celebration to hits like Joanna and Cherish. With seven gold and platinum albums, numerous top 40 songs and thousands of appearances around the world—Kool & the Gang is singing their way into musical history.

Read more at: www.koolandthegang.com

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**blue orchid orchestra**

Flappers, flivvers, big band lovers and speakeasies take note.

With a mix of ‘30s-style swing and ‘20s-style dance, the eleven-piece Blue Orchid Orchestra gets ready to play tunes perfect for dancing the lindy hop, peabody, charleston, collegiate shag, foxtrot—and a dash of tango.

The Blue Orchid Orchestra, brought to life by Michael Arenellan, performs authentic transcriptions of reawakened original tunes from the industrial revolution—the hottest epoch in jazz and rhythm history. With saxophones, cornets, violins, a piano, brass and banjos the Orchestra creates a scandalously fun dance atmosphere for all generations.

And for those with two left feet—don’t worry—professional dance teachers are part of the show to teach the crowd and make sure everyone can groove to the sizzling rhythms.

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