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**“One of the BEST jazz/pop vocal ensembles
in the world!”** - San Francisco Chronicle



VOCAL GROUP OF THE YEAR

- LA Music Awards

ARTIST OF THE YEAR

- Seattle Music Awards

BEST UNSIGNED BAND

- Billboard Magazine



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Group Bio

Imagine the smooth soul of **Stevie Wonder**, the percussive power of **Stomp**, the funk and groove of **Earth, Wind & Fire**, the sophisticated harmonies of **Take 6**, and the brass bite of the **Michael Bublé Big Band**...

All created by the human voice alone!

Hailed "one of the best pop/jazz vocal groups in the world" by the San Francisco Chronicle, **m-pact** is respected worldwide as a cutting edge trailblazer in the realm of vocal music. Emerging from an age of auto-tune and overproduction, this Los Angeles-based ensemble has cultivated a new generation of ears hungry for the fresh, raw power of nature's "first instrument" - the human voice.

From the beginning, the "**pact**" of these well-studied masters has been to stay true to **Music**, regardless of style or genre. Their sophisticated sound and accessible appeal have garnered vast accolades, from Vocal Group of the Year (the LA Music Awards), an Indie nomination (the Independent Grammy), and Artist of the Year (Seattle Music Awards), to Grand National Champs of the Harmony Sweepstakes competition and Billboard Magazine's "Best Unsigned Band".

Touring renowned fine arts halls and jazz festivals across four continents, **m-pact** has performed with pop superstars Sheryl Crow, Boyz II Men, Natasha Bedingfield, and Ray Charles to name a few; as well as with jazz legends Natalie Cole, Bobby McFerrin, the Woody Herman Orchestra, the Maynard Ferguson Big Band, and many others. Over the last 2 decades, their signature sound has been used in both TV themes and animated Disney feature films, and is enjoyed on jazz and pop radio worldwide.

"You ROCK, m-pact!" – Sheryl Crow

"A Vocal Wall of Sound." – NPR

Around the globe, audiences are mesmerized by the thrill of **m-pact's** vocal acrobatics, innovative orchestrations, and commanding yet authentic stage presence. Unknowing ears of all ages come expecting entertainment, but leave enriched from an indescribable experience: the musical journey across Technicolor soundscapes produced by this "Cirque du Soleil of Song".

m-pact's studio recordings have received rave reviews and numerous awards, and are frequently selected for inclusion on compilations and "best-of" collections. In August of 2018, the band released their multi-CARA winning 8-song EP entitled "Wonderful World". In addition to new vocal arrangements by current band members, the group also culled the **m-pact** archives to discover a treasure trove of hidden gems which had never been recorded - and in some cases, never performed - before. "This project was an opportunity for us to make a statement about who **m-pact** is today", said artistic director Jeff Smith, "while also shining a light on the legacy of the group's musical history, which we're so proud to be a part of." With this newest release, the members of **m-pact** demonstrated their deep commitment to continuing—and expanding—the tradition of excellence which have made **m-pact** an international sensation.

In 2020, **m-pact** celebrated their 25-year anniversary. While the pandemic may have derailed many of their anniversary plans, **m-pact** fans were delighted by the release of a 2-volume collection called "25 Years of Harmony". This 24-song retrospective included 14 remastered favorites, 6 rare/limited-release recordings from the archives, and 4 brand new, never-before-heard tracks. They also released a 25th anniversary music video of "Change in My Life", featuring 19 past and present band members. For 2023, the guys are working hard to complete their 9th full-length album - a collaborative project with Grammy-nominated arranger & producer, Roger Treece; and they continue to break new ground with exciting music videos and inspiring live performances. All of this leaves no doubt that **m-pact's** music will continue to reach the ears and hearts of music lovers around the world for many years to come.



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Band Members



Aaron Schumacher—Soprano
Ennis, TX
University of North Texas



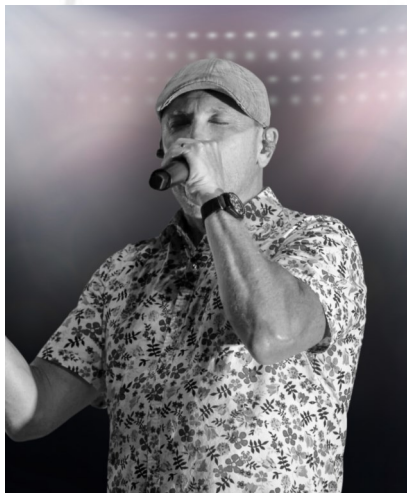
Andy Degan—Alto
Bristol, CT
Central Connecticut State Univ.



Gregory Fletcher—Tenor
Moreno Valley, CA
Cal State Univ-Long Beach



Jamond McCoy—Baritone
Long Beach, CA
Cal State Univ-Long Beach



Jeff Smith—Beatbox/tenor
Oklahoma City, OK
University of Kansas



Daniel Weidlein—Bass
Boulder, CO
Univ. of Southern California

**Polished performers – among THE BEST
in the country.” – NBC’s The Today Show**



Venues & Performances

(NORTH AMERICA)

Venues

Palace of Fine Arts—San Francisco, CA
Marin Civic Center—San Rafael, CA
The Uptown Theatre—Napa, CA
Firehouse Arts Center—Pleasanton, CA
The Granada Theatre—Santa Barbara, CA
Annenberg Theatre—Palm Springs, CA
LA County Museum of Art—Los Angeles, CA
Disneyland Resort—Anaheim, CA
Lewis Family Playhouse—Rancho Cucamonga, CA
Downey Civic Theatre—Downey, CA
Redlands Bowl—Redlands, CA
Armstrong Theatre—Torrance, CA
Beneroya Hall—Seattle, WA
Meany Theater—Seattle, WA
The Triple Door—Seattle, WA
Kirkland Performance Center—Kirkland, WA
Hermiston Auditorium—Hermiston, OR
WOW Hall—Eugene, OR
The Tower Theatre—Bend, OR
Vista Center for the Arts—Surprise, AZ
Kerr Cultural Center—Scottsdale, AZ
Orpheum Theater—Phoenix, AZ
Farmington Civic Center—Farmington, NM
Cox Performing Arts Center—St. George, UT
Alberta Bair Theater—Billings, MT
Helena Civic Center—Helena, MT
Lakewood Cultural Center—Lakewood, CO
Broomfield Auditorium—Broomfield, CO
King Center—Denver, CO
Allen Theatre—Lubbock, TX
Jackson Auditorium—Sequin, TX
Globe-News Center for the Arts—Amarillo, TX
The Clarion—Lake Jackson, TX
Hempstead Hall—Hope, AR
Van Buren Fine Arts Center—Van Buren, AR
Simmons Center—Duncan, OK
The Jazz Lab—Edmond, OK
Gathering Place—Tulsa, OK
Beach-Schmidt Performing Arts Center—Hays, KS
The Granada Theater—Lawrence, KS
McCain Auditorium—Manhattan, KS
Baldwin Auditorium—Kirksville, MO
Sheldon Music Hall—St. Louis, MO
The Capitol Theater—Madison, WI
Bloomington Center for Perf Arts—Bloomington, IL
Dorothy Menker Theater—Palos Hills, IL
Kirkland Fine Arts Center—Decatur, IL
The Arts Center—Council Bluffs, IA
Secrest Auditorium—Zanesville, OH
Kentucky Center for the Arts—Louisville, KY
Clemens Fine Arts Center—Paducah, KY
Tennessee Performing Arts Center—Nashville, TN
Bettsworth Auditorium—Starkville, MS
Brooks Center for the Performing Arts—Clemson, SC
Wortham Performing Arts Center—Asheville, NC
Roswell Cultural Center—Roswell, GA

Artis Naples—Naples, FL
Martin Theater—Panama City, FL
Monroe Community College—Rochester, NY
Rockefeller Arts Center—Fredonia, NY
Drom—New York, NY
Spruce Peak Arts Center—Stowe, VT
Somerville Theater—Boston, MA
The Center at Eagle Hill—Hardwick, MA
Johnny D's—Boston, MA
Hugh's Room—Toronto, ON
(and many more...)

Festivals

Juneau Jazz Festival—Juneau, AK
A Cappella Festivella—Anchorage, AK
Ventura Music Festival—Ventura, CA
Los Angeles A Cappella Festival—Los Angeles, CA
A Cappella Academy—Los Angeles, CA
Chapman University Choral Camp—Orange, CA
Oceanside Jazz Festival—Oceanside, CA
Temecula Film and Music Festival—Temecula, CA
CSU-Fresno Vocal Jazz Festival—Fresno, CA
Cuesta College Jazz Festival—San Luis Obispo, CA
CSU-San Bernardino Jazz Festival—San Bernardino, CA
SCVA Vocal Jazz / A Cappella Festival—Valencia, CA
Mt. San Antonio College Vocal Festival—Walnut, CA
A Cappella Summit—San Rafael, CA
Olympic College Jazz Festival—Bremerton, WA
Jazz-Madrigal Festival—Flagstaff, AZ
Pima College Vocal Festival—Tucson, AZ
Boise State University Jazz Festival—Boise, ID
UNC-Greeley Jazz Festival—Greeley, CO
CHSAA Vocal Festival—Colorado Springs, CO
Mile-High Vocal Jam—Denver, CO
Kent Vocal Festival—Englewood, CO
Casper College Jazz Festival—Casper, WY
Northwest Jazz Festival—Powell, WY
University of Kansas Jazz Festival—Lawrence, KS
Smoky Hill River Festival—Salina, KS
Kansas Music Educators Association—Wichita, KS
Omaha Blues & Jazz Festival—Omaha, NE
Kirkwood Comm. College Jazz Festival—Cedar Rapids, IA
Freedom Festival—Cedar Rapids, IA
Southwest College Vocal Jazz Festival—Creston, IA
Tri-C Vocal Jazz Festival—Cleveland, OH
Nordonina A Cappella Festival—Macedonia, OH
Tiffin Pro-Music Festival—Tiffin, OH
Kettering National A Cappella Festival—Kettering, OH
Western Michigan University Jazz Festival—Kalamazoo, MI
Wausau Vocal Jazz Festival—Wausau, WI
SING! The Toronto Vocal Arts Festival—Toronto, ON
Victoria Jazz Festival—Victoria, BC
Cantando Music Festival—Whistler, BC
The Vocal Summit—Powell River, BC
Brandon Jazz Festival—Brandon, MB
(and many more...)



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Venues & Performances

(INTERNATIONAL)

Europe

London A Cappella Festival—London, UK
Estonia Opera House—Tallinn, Estonia
KUMU Auditorium—Tallinn, Estonia
Parnu Concert Hall—Parnu, Estonia
Vanemuise Concert Hall—Tartu, Estonia
Johvi Concert Hall—Johvi, Estonia
Pärimusmuusika—Viljandi, Estonia
Riga Congress Hall—Riga, Latvia
The Blue Note—Milan, Italy
The Q Club—Padova, Italy
Arena Martinelli Pertile—Montagnana, Italy
Castello degli Ezzelini—Bassano del Grappa, Italy
La Palma—Rome, Italy
Piazza Venezia—Cortina, Italy
Fandango Jazz Festival—Rome, Italy
Veneto Jazz Festival—Venice, Italy
Solevoci Festival—Varese, Italy
Festilac Music Festival—Geneva, Switzerland
Vocal Jazz Summit—Mainz, Germany
Festival for Vocal Music—Leipzig, Germany
Marburg A Cappella Festival—Marburg, Germany
Kastanievej Efterskole—Copenhagen, Denmark
Amersfoort Jazz Festival—Amersfoort, Netherlands
Theatre de Tamboer—Hoogaveen, Netherlands
Rival Theatre—Stockholm, Sweden
(and many more...)

Asia

Seoul Arts Center—Seoul, S. Korea
Sejong Performing Arts Center—Seoul, S. Korea
Fashion Event Center—Seoul, S. Korea
Daejeon Culture & Arts Center—Daejeon, S. Korea
Seongnam Arts Center—Seongnam, S. Korea
Tancheon Music Festival—Seongnam, S. Korea
Phoenix Park—Kangwon-do, S. Korea
Okayama Symphony Hall—Okayama, Japan
Watanabe Vocal Festival—Tokyo, Japan
Metropolitan Art Space—Tokyo, Japan
Hiroko Club—Tokyo, Japan
University Cultural Center—Singapore
Bellini Grande—Singapore
Jak Jazz Festival—Jakarta, Indonesia
(and many more...)

Africa

Tabarka Jazz Festival—Tabarka, Tunisia

“Spectacular performance and a stunning success!” - Seoul Arts Center

Champion and Audience Favorite
- Harmony Sweepstakes International Festival

**“Lord have mercy...
y’all is BAAAAD!!”** - Bobby McFerrin



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Educational Programs

m-pact brings years of professional experience in the entertainment industry to the class room. With six college careers dedicated to music and music education, **m-pact** teaches at summer camps and adjudicates vocal jazz and choral festivals around the world. Sharing a natural affinity for inspiring others, **m-pact** has been a hit headliner of jazz / choral festivals and music education conventions, such as IAJE/JEN, MENC, and many state music educators' conferences.

m-pact offers artist-in-residency programs for school or community choral directors and their ensembles.

Master Classes

A "meet-&-greet the artist" forum, blending brief performance, general history, and individual introductions into a Q-&-A session about **m-pact**'s music and experience; master classes raise overall community/school music appreciation while energizing choral program participation and increasing membership.

Workshops

Selected instructional performances and follow-up discussions designed to target musical and/or non-musical topics needed by and appropriate for your school or community group.

Clinics

Personalized, detail-oriented instruction and hands-on adjudication of host group repertoire and current musical projects in preparation for events and festivals.

m-pact's artist-in-residency programs involve any or all of these components and duration may range from single-day appearances to an intensive, weeklong "music-camp-on-wheels," all of which are tailor made for host group or school educational needs.

DID YOU KNOW?

Many of **m-pact**'s critically-acclaimed vocal arrangements are available at www.m-pact.com/sheet-music

Educational Conferences

- Oklahoma Music Educators Association
- Kansas Music Educators Association
- Jazz Education Network
- American Choral Directors Association
- Oregon Music Educators Association
- Washington Music Educators Association
- Nebraska Choral Directors Association
- Colorado High School Activities Association
- Iowa Choral Directors Association
- Music Educators National Conference
(...and many more)

"That was THE MOST outstanding presentation we've seen in 15 years!"

– Jean Ney, President
Kansas Music Educators Association



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Symphony Show

“Signed, Sealed, Delivered I’m Yours”

m-pact is now booking their long-awaited symphony show, “Signed, Sealed, Delivered I’m Yours”. This exciting new addition to **m-pact**'s program offerings is a one-of-a-kind showcase of the greatest hits of the Motown era. Concert-goers of all ages will be delighted by a musical revue that reads like a “who’s who” of the American songbook, including:

- The Four Tops
- The Temptations
- The Jackson 5
- Marvin Gaye
- Jackie Wilson

and, of course...

- Stevie Wonder

With stellar orchestrations by renowned arrangers Corey Allen (The Manhattan Transfer, Dianne Reeves, Dave Koz) & Allen Carter (Michael Bolton, Patti LaBelle, CBS) combined with **m-pact**'s powerhouse vocals and lush harmonies...this is a musical match made in heaven! And, although this is a symphony show, **m-pact** fans can be sure that they will also be treated to a generous helping of the dazzling a cappella renditions for which the group is most well-known.

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