

Celebrate the Holidays with Joy and Beauty!



Deck the Halls is a polished gem, packed with variety from four truly versatile performers. If your audience appreciates the wow factor of virtuoso musicianship side by side with humorous storytelling and heartfelt expressions of the true spirit of Christmas, then you will want to bring Deck the Halls to your venue!

Baritone Steven Marking moves easily between the gorgeous classics like O Holy Night, Silent Night, and the sly swing duet Baby It's Cold Outside, which he sings with JoAnn Funk. Steve combines the vocal qualities of the very best baritones with a charismatic stage presence and a masterful sense of drama,

storytelling and comic timing. He performs his own shows (including Our Mighty Mississippi), and has sung with Minnesota Opera, Metropolitan Symphony and Minnesota Choral.

Jazz Singer Pianist JoAnn Funk has been performing Jazz in The Lobby Bar at The Saint Paul Hotel for nine years, with bassist Jeff Brueske. The two are known for their intelligent arrangements, warm swinging sound and wide range of repertoire. "She's part Blossom Dearie, part Dusty Springfield, a bit Nellie McKay, a hint of Norah Jones and a splash of Diana Krall" - Bebopified. JoAnn is also an accomplished classical pianist.

Bassist and Vocalist Jeff Brueske is equally comfortable in traditional jazz swing or lending a touch of arco beauty. With a Master's degree in performance and pedagogy from the University of Minnesota, Jeff Brueske has performed and composed for many classical, jazz, fusion, gospel, and pop ensembles.

Violinist Gary Schulte is a master of improvisation on the violin. A performance graduate of Indiana University, he is a veteran of "A Prairie Home Companion" and has done everything from classical music to collaborative work with dance and theater groups. Sought after as a jazz violinist, he has performed with the greatest artists of the gypsy jazz genre. He lends each song a joyful beauty, whimsy and spirit.

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*Silent Night 1 Wonder As I Wander Have Yourself A Merry Little Christmas Jingle Bells Baby It's Cold Outside O Holy Night Deck The Halls
Gesu Bambino Have a Cool Yule The Christmas Song Joy to the World O Tannenbaum 'Twas the Night Before Christmas ...*