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## **ABOUT LOCAL 802**

The New York City musicians' union (AFM Local 802) represents the city's top professionals, including the New York Philharmonic, Metropolitan Opera Orchestra, New York City Ballet Orchestra, Lincoln Center Jazz Orchestra, all of Broadway, and thousands of freelancers in NYC and beyond.



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LIVE **MUSIC IS** COMING BACK TO NYC HOTELS... **ARE YOU READY? YOUR GUESTS ARE!** 

## LIVE MUSIC IS WHAT YOUR GUESTS WANT

Live music has always added class and prestige to a hotel's branding and style, developing into its very theme and identity. Even a precursory glance back shows the rich history of NYC hotel music. On an economic level, guests spend more when there's live music, which is why more hotels are realizing the added value of live music and are offering a regular schedule of performances.



Since the 1921 founding of Local 802, our city's vibrant hotel sector has enjoyed the exquisite sounds and crowded rooms resulting from the professional union musicians' mark of excellence. Local 802 members are the city's soundtrack. Old New York thrives within the legends and the walls of our luxurious hotels' flourishing ballrooms, classic bars, and scenic rooftops that featured such giants as Benny Goodman, Bobby Short, Rosemary Clooney, Xavier Cugat, Duke Ellington, Hildegarde, and Miles Davis. The MADhattan Room in the Hotel Pennsylvania featured the hippest swing bands and was immortalized in Glenn Miller's hit record "Pennsylvania 6-5000". And the legendary Bobby Short was a perennial at the Cafe Carlyle until his passing. This tradition continues today. Local 802 can boast a century of the best hotel music in New York yet remains at the core of tomorrow's top entertainers.



The musicians of Local 802 are acknowledged as among the very best in the world. Today they're performing throughout the New York area in every genre: jazz, cabaret, classical music and theatre, dance music, pop, and up-to-the-minute hits.