## Down for the Count Swing OrchestraBiography

Down for the Count are a mini big band who bring the sounds of the Swing Era back to life, with an electrifying show full of incredible energy and musicianship.

Since bursting onto the scene at Twinwood Festival in 2013, Down for the Count have quickly earned themselves a reputation as one of the hardest swinging bands in the UK. They are constantly in demand, and have sold out shows at Ronnie Scotts Jazz Club, Hideaway Streatham, Pizza Express Jazz Club Soho, Le Caveau de la Huchette (Paris) and the opening night of The London Jazz Festival two years in a row.

The band have released [three albums](https://www.downforthecount.co.uk/%7BlocalLink%3A2950%7D), which have been played on Clare Teal's BBC Radio 2 show, and during the 2020 COVID-19 crisis they released an "[Orchestra in Lockdown](https://www.facebook.com/watch/?v=1013966442334684)" video, described as "awesome!!!" by Michael Bublé and receiving over 160,000 views in less than two weeks.

The band recreate classic tunes from the likes of Duke Ellington, Count Basie, Ella Fitzgerald, Louis Armstrong and Glenn Miller. But this is no mere nostalgia trip – Down for the Count perform each song in their own unmistakeable style, breathing new life into the best vintage music.

Combine that with the band’s top class instrumental solos, sublime vocal performances, and irresistible humour and joie de vivre, and you get a show that will leave you feeling uplifted and wanting more.

What they’ve been saying…

“Awesome!!!”
***Michael Bublé***

“A breath of fresh air on the swing scene.”
***Twinwood Festival***

“Love this! Just lovely.”
***Clare Teal***

"The band grabbed the audience from the first downbeat and kept them enthralled right up to the encore."
***Jazz Journal***

“One hellova celebration of vintage music.”
***TimeOut London***

"Classic set-pieces well played with exuberance and care… a sure-fire winner. Look out for them."
***Jazz Rag***

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