



## Press Kit

America's Premier "Chicago ...and More" Horn-Band Tribute Experience · [brasstracksband.com](http://brasstracksband.com)

### THE SHOW

#### One Night. Every Great Horn Band. Ever.

Brass Tracks Band is America's premier "Chicago ...and More" tribute act. Founded in Cincinnati, Ohio in 2013, the band is an 8-piece powerhouse — anchored by a world-class three-piece brass section — dedicated to recreating the sound and power of Chicago and every iconic horn band of the 1960s, '70s, '80s and beyond, live, just like it was recorded.

Every show opens and closes with Chicago's greatest hits. In between, audiences experience the top songs of legendary acts from Rock & Roll Hall of Fame members Chicago to multi-platinum Earth, Wind & Fire, Blood, Sweat & Tears, Tower of Power, Stevie Wonder and many more. It's a high-energy, fast-paced, all-ages show built for one thing: filling the dance floor.

*"Get up off your brASS and dance!"*

### AT A GLANCE

<b>Founded</b>	2013 — Cincinnati, Ohio
<b>Lineup</b>	8 pieces, including a 3-piece brass section
<b>Genre</b>	Horn-driven Rock, Funk, Jazz-Rock, R&B and Soul
<b>Format</b>	"Chicago ...and More" — opens & closes with Chicago
<b>Best for</b>	Festivals, casinos, amphitheaters, fairs, corporate events, private parties & weddings
<b>Based / touring</b>	Ohio, Indiana, Kentucky and the Midwest
<b>Repertoire</b>	40+ songs across the golden era of horn bands

### REPERTOIRE

**Artists in the show:** Chicago (headliner, performed in full) · Earth, Wind & Fire · Tower of Power · Blood, Sweat & Tears · Stevie Wonder · Average White Band · Al Green · Santana · The Commodores · Kool & the Gang · and many more from the golden era of horn-driven music. A complete song list is available on request.

### THE LINEUP

#### World-Class Musicians. One Legendary Show.

**Jevon Kennedy · Lead Vocals · Front Man**

Soulful, versatile front man equally at home with an intimate ballad or a full-horn anthem. For over a decade he's fronted the band across hundreds of shows — from the Frazee Pavilion to the Ohio State Fair, casinos, festivals and corporate events.

**Hal Melia · Saxophone · Musical Director**

Internationally acclaimed saxophonist who has recorded and arranged with the Tower of Power Horns, the Buddy Rich Band, and Billy Vera and the Beaters, and appeared in major films including *Bugsy* and *Dick Tracy*. Adjunct Professor at Central State University.

**Andrew Duncan · Trombone**

Principal Trombone of the Lexington Philharmonic, Professor of Low Brass at Central State University, and former Music Director of the U.S. Air Force Band of Flight. Has appeared with the Cincinnati Pops and recorded in Capitol Records Studio "A." An Endorsing Artist for Bach Brass.

**Sean Fitzpatrick · Trumpet**

Cincinnati-based trumpeter who began performing at age 5. Has played with The Northern Lights Jazztet, The Blue Birds, and most recently Motown legends The Four Tops. Holds degrees in Music Education and Jazz Trumpet Performance.

**Kevin Clark · Guitar**

A versatile rock, R&B and blues guitarist whose country roots blossomed into a commanding electric style. From razor-sharp Chicago riffs to deep Tower of Power grooves, Kevin delivers every night — a veteran of Second Shift and now Brass Tracks Band.

**Tim Jennens · Keyboards · Vocals**

A professional musician since age 18, Tim has opened for The Rippingtons, Larry Carlton and Najee, and performed alongside The Beach Boys, The Commodores and The Righteous Brothers. A multi-keyboardist, vocalist, composer and arranger who joined the band in 2015.

**Don Overberg · Bass Guitar**

A deep, rolling groove that anchors the band. Don has also provided sound engineering and lighting for national artists including Aretha Franklin, Toby Keith and Tony Bennett.

**Kevin McCloskey · Drums · Booking**

One of the most solid drummers in the business, Kevin has performed with the Dayton Philharmonic Orchestra and shared stages with Maynard Ferguson, Buddy Rich, .38 Special and Rick Derringer. He also serves as a primary booking contact.

## PRAISE

*"There's nothing like the power of a Rock Band with a full brass section."*

— **Dayton Daily News**

*"Generally we don't have dancers in the crowd but Thursday night was definitely an exception. You guys had those people moving!"*

— **Adam Helms, River's Edge Amphitheater Concert Series**

*"While we present 25–30 acts every summer, BTB has become one of my personal favorites, and is an audience favorite as well!"*

— **Tim Rowe, Executive Director, Springfield Arts Council**

*"Nothing gets a crowd jumping like horn-driven Rock 'n' Roll and R&B, which makes Brass Tracks Band the perfect band."*

— **Dayton.com**

## SELECTED VENUES & STAGES

The Frazee Pavilion — Kettering · Ohio State Fair · Sorg Opera House — Middletown · The Lyric Theater — Blue Island, IL · Gilly's — Dayton · Hard Rock Casino — Cincinnati · Easton Town Center — Columbus · Columbus Jazz & Rib Fest · Hollywood Casino — Columbus · Hollywood Casino — Dayton · Hollywood Casino — Lawrenceburg, IN · Belterra Casino — Cincinnati · Belterra Park Gaming — Cincinnati · Miami Valley Gaming — Lebanon · Wheeling Island Casino — WV · RiverScape MetroPark — Dayton · Levitt Pavilion — Dayton ·

Veterans Park Amphitheater — Springfield · River's Edge Amphitheater — Hamilton · Eichelberger Amphitheater — Huber Heights · North Park Amphitheater — Springboro · Austin Landing Concert Series — Dayton · Granville Summer Concert Series — Bryn Du Mansion · Centerville / Washington Twp. Americana Festival · Honor and Remember Music Festival — Fairfield · Dayton Lights in Flight Fireworks Festival · Drees Pavilion — Covington, KY · Jags — West Chester, OH · Buckeye Lake Yacht Club · Prairie Creek Park — Frankfort, IN — and more across Ohio, Indiana & Kentucky.

## WHY BUYERS TRUST THIS STAGE

**They keep coming back.** Springfield Arts Council, Hollywood Casino, and other venue partners have booked BTB again and again. Repeat business is the clearest signal a band delivers.

**Independently verified, not self-proclaimed.** Organizers from amphitheaters, arts councils and concert series back it up in their own words — as does the Dayton Daily News.

**Built for rooms like yours.** A track record across corporate events, amphitheaters, festivals and private events — not just bar gigs. BTB reads a mixed, all-ages crowd and keeps it engaged for a full set.

**One act, no substitutes.** A premier “Chicago ...and More” horn-band tribute — the 8-piece professional lineup pictured is the lineup that shows up. No backing tracks, ever.

**13 years, hundreds of shows, one reputation.** Founded 2013, built on a lineup with 30+ years of stage experience before BTB existed.

**Easy to book, easy to work with.** Riders, stage plot and logistics are dialed in before you ask. Inquiries get a response within 24 hours.

## BOOKING & CONTACT

Make your event unforgettable — we respond to booking inquiries within 24 hours.

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