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The Dix Hills Performing Arts Center Presents  
***The Sounds of Swing & Sinatra***  
with Gayle Scott and Lou Moneta  
and New York's Most Dangerous Big Band

*Inspired jazz program will be held Aug. 8 at 2 p.m.*



**July 12, 2010, Dix Hills, New York** – The Dix Hills Performing Arts Center presents “The Sounds of Swing & Sinatra” starring vocalists Gayle Scott and Lou Moneta with New York’s Most Dangerous Big Band here at the Center, Aug. 8 at 2:00 p.m. Tickets are \$25.

The matinee highlights collaboration between Gayle Scott and Lou Moneta, two vocalists who are inspired and influenced by whom they consider to be the greatest singers, lyricists, and musicians of our time. Through their interpretation of this music they pay homage to all of these wonderful artists.

“Swing” or “swing jazz” was an outgrowth of jazz, the uniquely American music form, in the United States in 1930. Due to the excitement of the music’s strong rhythmic component with the standup bass and drums working together, it quickly became popular for dancing and fueled the popularity of dance halls. The rhythm created a solid base beneath a strongly orchestrated brass and woodwind ensemble topped by jazz improvisational solos, often with a vocalist or stringed instruments. Swing would become the dominant form of popular music by 1935 and would remain so through the end of World War II.

Frank Sinatra, perhaps the greatest popular vocalist in American history, rode this wave of swing paved by great jazz band leaders like Cab Callaway and instrumental soloists like Benny Goodman, Tommy Dorsey and Charlie Christian, to name a few. Sinatra, who would team up with band leader Nelson Riddle, would change the nature of popular music with his smooth voice, unique musical phrasing and increasingly emotional and introspective songs.

Gayle and Lou will sing Sinatra and all the classic jazz standards. They will be accompanied by the critically acclaimed New York’s Most Dangerous Big Band, an exceptional group of musicians who have performed with them at many of the top Jazz Festivals in the country.

Gayle and Lou have performed at many of the most exclusive clubs throughout the tri-state area including The New York Athletic Club, The Harmonie Club and Club Macanudo. They have also performed at the Tillis Center, Jones Beach, Queens theatre in the Park, Nassau Museum of the Arts and many private country clubs across Long Island, New Jersey and Staten Island.

**The Dix Hills Performing Arts Center**

*The Dix Hills Performing Arts Center is located at Five Towns College, 305 North Service Road, Dix Hills, New York, 11746-5857. For more information and ticket sales, please contact the Dix Hills Performing Arts Center box office at (631) 656-2148 or visit online at [www.DHPAC.org](http://www.DHPAC.org). Become a fan on Facebook! (Dix Hills Performing Arts Center).*

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