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There's something simply sublime about soft jazz in an outdoor setting and Lamorinda residents will have an opportunity to experience just that at the annual Big Band Concert from 4 to 6 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 23 at the Lafayette Christian Church Courtyard Patio in the Grove, featuring The Lafayette Studio Big Band - a 17-person Count Basie, Frank Sinatra-style jazz orchestra.

Having played weddings, festivals, corporate events, and even backyard parties, The Lafayette Studio Big Band boasts performers who have worked with The Temptations, The Fifth Dimension, Frank Sinatra Jr., Bob Hope, The Harry James Orchestra, Judy Collins, Joe Henderson, Joel Dorham's Afro Latin Octet, Pete and Sheila Escovedo, Richard Bean, Rawl Rekow, Wayne Wallace, Michael Wolfe, Tom Politzer, Wayne Bergeron, The Coasters, The Drifters, and more. Its musicians have been in opening acts for musical greats like Earth Wind

and Fire, Chicago, Ray Charles, Joe Williams, Lou Rawls, Nancy Wilson, Earl Kluh, Diane Shur, David Bowie, The Stray Cats, Van Halen, Stevie Nicks, Men at Work, Confunkshun, and The Spinners, Carmen McRae, Dave Brubeck, Dick Dale and The Del Tones, Ike and Tina Turner, The Beach Boys, Righteous Brothers, Kenny Rogers and The First Edition.

Don't miss this fun afternoon in this beautiful oak grove. No reservations required. There is a suggested donation of \$20 for adults, and \$5 for a refillable glass for craft beer or wine and snacks. To listen to a sample of music, visit www.lafayettebigband.com. For more information, call (925) 283-8304.

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