



**The Duke Ellington Society (TDES, Inc.)**  
 Celebrating the music of Duke Ellington

**Wednesday, March 18, 2009, at 7:30PM**  
 Saint Peter's Church; 54th St. & Lexington Ave

**MEMBERS' CHOICE—A JAZZ POTPOURRI**

Our Members' Choice, this month is **A JAZZ POTPOURRI**. TDES members are invited to make a five-minute presentation including a personal introduction and a musical selection from any of the many recordings by the Duke Ellington Orchestra, small bands, and/or solo. If you wish to make a presentation, call Morris Hodara at **718-463-0085** or e-mail him at **mhodara@aol.com** no later than Monday, March 9.

If Morris does not answer the phone, leave your name, telephone number, and your selection (title, date, album, or other identification) on the answering machine. He'll get back to you. A CD will be prepared only of the choices. Local members are expected to be present at the meeting to introduce their own selections. There is time for about twenty selections of approximately five to seven minutes each, including the members' comments, so long as they do not abuse the time limit.

An out-of-town member can participate by putting his or her choice on an audiocassette or CD with a short personal comment. Send it to **Morris Hodara, 30-20 Parsons Blvd.; Flushing, NY 11354**. If you cannot record your comments, write or type them out and send them by snail mail, e-mail or fax (**718-463-1252**), and one of our local members will read them aloud for you.

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**Saturday, March 14, and Sunday, March 15**

**PREZ FEST 2009—CELEBRATING BILLY STRAYHORN**

TDES is partnering with the Jazz Ministry of Saint Peter's Church to celebrate the music and life of Billy Strayhorn. Join us on Saturday, March 14, 3PM, to listen to his music and hear talks by people who knew him.

Then return on Sunday, March 15, for a variety of programs. See more about the events on page 5.

