

There's an Act for That

Booking a band or DJ is all about finding a pro who specializes in the musical style you're looking for. When it comes to bands, one size does not fit all; and the best DJs are known for creating a specific kind of party atmosphere. We asked wedding planners **Jo Ann Woodward** of Schwartz & Woodward, **Deborah Elias** of Elias Events, and **Natalie Dawley** of Two Be Wed to recommend entertainment acts for a variety of musical tastes. **EDITOR: KIM FORREST**



CEREMONY & MUSIC

If you want... LATIN FLAIR

Jo Ann's Pick: Mango Punch! "This band can seamlessly transition from current favorites like the Black Eyed Peas' 'I Gotta Feeling' to mariachi music to Spanish rock." mangopunch.com

Deborah's Pick: Yelba "Lead singer Yelba has created an incredible band with a fun and lively Latin twist. This group can play everything from Rascal Flatts to Shakira." www.yelba.net

If you want... AN OLD-SCHOOL VIBE

Deborah's Pick: David Caceres "David, a vocalist and saxophonist, has a very cool 'Rat Pack' vibe. When he's singing, you could swear you were listening to Frank Sinatra." davidcaceres.com

Natalie's Pick: Bryan Anthony "This new-generation jazz singer truly captivates with his renditions of classic ballads—he breathes fresh life into older songs. His style is romantic, elegant, and sophisticated." bryananthonymusic.com

If you want... A DJ WHO CAN READ A CROWD

Natalie's Pick: Bach Sound Productions "Jeremy Holzbach is attentive and organized, and has a diverse song library. He keeps your party on track by accommodating guests of all ages and making sure everyone has a fun time." bachsoundproductions.com

Jo Ann's Pick: Robin Janson from Rock N Robin "Robin really listens to his clients and plays what they want to hear. He has great energy—if he's spinning when dinner is served, we have to beg guests to sit down and eat!" rocknrobin.com

If you want... LIVE BAND, VERSATILE PLAYLIST

Natalie's Pick: The Pictures Band "This Austin-based band provides a bit of everything. They perform songs from almost every era, from the '50s up through current Top 40 hits, as well as disco and funk; they do country really well, too. They've been performing together for over 25 years and are very reliable." thepictures.com

Jo Ann's Pick: Infinite Groove "This show band has the most talented vocalists. They really engage guests and keep them dancing all night long. Plus, they're constantly updating their playlist to include hits from contemporary artists like Lady Gaga and Jason Mraz." infinitegroove.net

If you want... AN '80S COVER BAND

Deborah's Picks: The Spazmatics, Molly & the Ringwalds, 80 Proof "Bands that specialize in hits from the '80s are all the rage at the moment, because that's when a lot of couples who are getting married now were growing up. These three bands provide the nostalgia factor and really get the party hopping." thespazmatics.net; theringwalds.com; 8oproofrocksyoudo.com

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