

D avid Hugo was born and raised in New York City to a musical family. His mother Laura was a radio soloist and his grandfather was singer and instrumentalist, Luke Barrett, who played with the famed Henry Jerome Orchestra on CBS Radio. David was drawn to the Arts at a very early age, operating and performing at his very own neighborhood theater.

David is a musical theater graduate of the Dillard School of the Performing Arts. At age 18 he started a musical group, David Hugo and Special Way and they were discovered by the Trinity Broadcasting Television Network. David for many years was featured on many of their television programs. Soon David began writing songs and making records. His first major recording, "Reservations Required" was produced by Theresa Warner and included an electrifying musical-dramatic, "The Dream Sequence" which also featured Grammy Awards winner, Sandi Patty and Shirley Caesar. This recording was a nominee at the Dove Awards in Nashville. David's songs have also competed in the John Lennon International Song Writing Competition.

In 2002, David received a commendation from Queen Elizabeth for his song, "Trust In The Lord" the powerful duet with Soprano Jamie Ellen DeOllveira, which he wrote after the death of Diana, Princess of Wales. David's recording, "Forever' which was produced by Don Johnson, features his song, "Somewhere In Time" which David wrote to coincide with the popular poem, "Footprints In the Sand."

Some interesting facts, David also sang as a backup singer for Grammy Award winner, Larnelle Harris. In 2013, David served as Musical Director for Praisefest West Palm Beach at the Meyer Amphitheater, a major music festival. David's other talents include his experience as a voice-over talent, David has recorded many commercials for many major corporations. Amongst some of David's many successful recordings in his duet with Soprano, Kimberly Mitchell, recording "All I Ask Of You" from Andrew Lloyd Webber's "Phantom of the Opera" on AEG Music.

Some years later, his collaboration with Producer Omar Leslie produced such wonderful hits as "The Great I Am" and "Sing Jerusalem!" More recently, David's Christmas recordings, the dramatic orchestral of "O Holy Night" as well as "Merry Christmas with Love" are popular radio plays nationwide. David has also performed in major theatrical productions, including leading roles in Showtime Productions, "Keep On Dancing." For over 40 years, David has reached audiences both here and abroad with his warm rich baritone vocals.

In 2024, David released one of his greatest hits, "All My Hope". The song was written by David and produced by Bruce Danna. The song and music video bring inspiration to believers around the world.

Today, working with long-time friend and composer Gail Smith, David has three musical programs for concerts. "Love Songs Tonight", which features some of the greatest love songs ever written, "It's Christmas", which has a wonderful collection of holiday favorites, and "Share The Love", which is an inspiring array of gospel favorites. David's legacy has long been to inspire the listener through his music, whether performing on television, in concert halls, ships, festivals, churches, or prisons. Inspiring hearts to faith, hope, and love; David's artistic abilities are still captivating!