

Jay Clayton's Jazz Vocal Practice Series

Volume 1: Vocal Exercise Workouts No. 1 and No. 2

Warm Up and Improve Your "Chops"!

There are two Exercise Workouts on this CD. Both sequences of exercises have been designed for warming up, improving breath control, widening your range, and improving accuracy and intonation. Developing a good daily routine of working with the CD will help you develop control, strength, delicacy and flexibility. Your goal is to sing anything you feel and hear with ease.

Technique in jazz singing is very personal. Every singer is different. There is no prescribed sound in jazz singing. Your voice is you. You develop your own sound through practice and song. Only you know what you need to execute your ideas and express your emotions with confidence.

It is important to be in a good frame of mind when doing vocal exercises. For this reason I talk to you on the CD a little before starting the exercises with the hope that it will help get you into a good spirited and focused mood. Of course, on a good day, if you need no motivation, feel free to fast forward and get right to it!