

# THE CJC BIG BAND

## Bob Stinson

### Guitar

Bob Stinson has been guitarist and vocalist for the CJC Big Band since 2014. Bob studied under legendary Des Moines jazz guitarist Ben Harrison and has played for The Ray Faubus Orchestra, The Ralph Zarnow Orchestra, The Bob Smith "Glen Miller" Band and the Al Ford Orchestra. In the 1970's and 1980's, Bob fronted his own oldies and top 40 cover band "Jericho". Bob's largest musical influence has been the great Freddie Green, guitarist for the Count Basie Orchestra.

On the vocal side of the ledger, Bob has a passion for the romantic ballad and the music of Billy Eckstine. Bob credits his good friend and vocal coach, Des Moines' own Blues Hall of Fame member, Tina Haase Findlay for keeping his voice in shape. Regarding his time in the band, "[Bob] considers it an honor to work with the incredible musicians in the CJC Big Band. It is an absolute joy to keep this beautiful music alive".

