

ington Heights, Manhattan, were renamed as Paul Robeson Boulevard and Count Basie Place. The corner is the location of 555 Edgecombe Avenue, also known as the Paul Robeson Home, a National Historic Landmark where Count Basie had also lived.

- In 2010, Basie was inducted into the New Jersey Hall of Fame.
- In October 2013, version 3.7 of WordPress was code-named Count Basie.

In 2019, Basie was inducted into the Blues Hall of Fame.

- On June 25, 2019, The New York Times Magazine listed Count Basie among hundreds of artists whose material was reportedly destroyed in the 2008 Universal fire.
- Asteroid 35394 Countbasie, discovered by astronomers at Caussols in 1997, was named after him. The official naming citation was published by the Minor Planet Center on 8 November 2019.

Basie in Sweden



Count Basie's final Roulette recordings before his band would drift artistically throughout the troublesome 1960s, these Stockholm concerts feature Basie's orchestra still in peak form with such soloists as trumpeter Thad Jones, trombonists Quentin Jackson and Benny Powell, Frank Wess on flute and tenor, tenorman Frank Foster, and guest trumpeter Benny Bailey. Highlights include "Good Time Blues," "Blues Backstage," and Irene Reid's outing on "Backwater Blues."

Count Basie was among the most important bandleaders of the swing era. With the exception of a brief period in the early '50s, he led a big band from 1935 until his death almost 50 years later, and the band continued to perform after he died. Basie's orchestra was characterized by a light, swinging rhythm section that he led from the piano, lively ensemble work, and generous soloing. Basie was not a composer like Duke Elling-

ton or an important soloist like Benny Goodman. His instrument was his band, which was considered the epitome of swing and became broadly influential on jazz.

Count Basie introduced several generations of listeners to the Big Band sound and left an influential catalog. Basie is remembered by many who worked for him as being considerate of musicians and their opinions, modest, relaxed, fun-loving, dryly witty, and always enthusiastic about his music. In his autobiography, he wrote, "I think the band can really swing when it swings easy, when it can just play along like you are cutting butter."

- In Red Bank, New Jersey, the Count Basie Theatre, a property on Monmouth Street redeveloped for live performances, and Count Basie Field were named in his honor.
- Received an honorary doctorate from Berklee College of Music in 1974.
- Mechanic Street, where he grew up with his family, has the honorary title of Count Basie Way.
- In 2009, Edgecombe Avenue and 160th Street in Wash-

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Count Basie & His Orchestra

- 1 Little Pony 2:27
- 2 Plymouth Rock 7:00
- 3 Backwater Blues 4:54
- 4 Who Me 3:24
- 5 April In Paris 3:27
- 6 Backstage Blues 5:08
- 7 Good Time Blues 4:58
- 8 Peace Pipe 3:31

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