

# Peter Martin - Biography

Raised by parents who are both classical musicians, Peter began studying violin and piano at age three. After graduating from high school, Peter received the Presidential Scholar in the Arts award from President Reagan. He then attended The Juilliard School in New York on scholarship, studying with Martin Canin, until moving to New Orleans in 1990. While in New Orleans Martin honed his skills working with key musicians such as Nicholas Payton, Germaine Bazzle, Chris Thomas, Alvin Batiste, Brian Blade and Victor Goines. He also embarked on an active solo career and toured and recorded with artists such as Betty Carter, Wynton Marsalis, Dianne Reeves, Chris Botti, the Jazz at Lincoln Center Orchestra, Roy Hargrove, and Joshua Redman. Peter performed on and arranged Dianne Reeves' Grammy winning release A Little Moonlight as well as co-produced her 2004 Blue Note CD Christmas Time Is Here. Peter appeared in George Clooney's 2005 film Good Night, and Good Luck as well as being featured on the Grammy® winning soundtrack. Martin's latest release In the PM is available on MAXJAZZ Records. Peter Martin is a Steinway Piano Artist.

## SELECTED MEDIA APPEARANCES:

The Today Show (NBC)  
Good Morning America (ABC)  
Good Night And Good Luck (Warner Bros.)  
Live from Lincoln Center (PBS)  
"Lush Life" (PBS)

## SELECTED DISCOGRAPHY:

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|-----------------|----------------------------|-------------|-----------------------------------|
| Peter Martin    | Something Unexpected       | MaxJazz     | 2001 <i>(artist and producer)</i> |
| Peter Martin    | In The P.M.                | MaxJazz     | 2005 <i>(artist and producer)</i> |
| Dianne Reeves   | Good Night & Good Luck     | Concord     | 2005 <i>Grammy® winner</i>        |
| Dianne Reeves   | Billy Strayhorn: Lush Life | Blue Note   | 2007                              |
| Dianne Reeves   | Christmas Time Is Here     | Blue Note   | 2004 <i>(artist and producer)</i> |
| Dianne Reeves   | A Little Moonlight         | Blue Note   | 2003 <i>Grammy® winner</i>        |
| Wynton Marsalis | All Rise                   | Sony        | 2002                              |
| Johnny Griffin  | Chicago, New York, Paris   | Verve       | 1995                              |
| Victor Goines   | Love Dance                 | Criss Cross | 2007                              |