



Tommie B



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# Biography

Music has been a constant presence in Tommie B.'s life since he was just five years old, when he began singing in church and wowing the congregation with his impressive talent. But for Tommie, music isn't just a means of making money or gaining fame - it's his passion and his calling. Mogul Russell Simmons once crowned Tommie "A musical genius", a title that only increased the pressure on Tommie to live up to his potential. But for Tommie, the pursuit of greatness is a lifelong journey that he's committed to with all his heart and soul.

Growing up on the West Side of Chicago and later moving to the South Side, Tommie has always been surrounded by music and the arts. By age 11, he was writing songs for himself and others, and he formed his first gospel group, Evidence, soon after. The group went on to become a sensation in the Chicagoland area, performing at churches and local talent shows. The group would later transition to singing R&B and changed their name to Nexx Level.

Thanks to Tommie's dedicated management team at the time, he has met with music industry heavyweights like Jay-Z, L.A Reid, and Russell Simmons. Tommie also made a name for himself as a background vocalist for a number of high-profile artists, including Ginuwine, Dave Hollister, Syleena Johnson, and Tweet. He eventually became a major songwriter in his own right, working on projects with Syleena Johnson, Willie Taylor, and Day26.

Today, Tommie is partnered with his longtime friend Fred Taylor, who formed the production team Toxic Production. Their work on Cardi B's debut album, which includes hit songs like "Bodak Yellow" and "Money Bag", earned them a Grammy and Diamond Selling Status. Toxic Production is now a multi-platinum and Grammy award-winning production company, but Tommie is still committed to giving back to his local community. He's created opportunities for local artists in Chicago by bringing live band open mic nights to the city, including the popular Celeb Night Open Mic, which has attracted celebrities from all over the country.

In addition to his work as a producer and promoter, Tommie is also a talented solo artist. He released his highly anticipated sophomore album titled Trap & Blues, which promises to showcase this unique blend. Tommie's ultimate goal was to create his own genre of music, blending the innovation of today's sounds with the soul of yesterday's legends. With his unwavering dedication to his craft, there's no doubt that Tommie B. is on his way to achieving that goal and leaving a lasting legacy in the world of music.



# Bgv History

Background Vocal



*Diddy Dirty Money*

Tommie B. was casted through Mtv Networks as well as BadBoy to do Background Vocal work for the hit reality series "Making His Band". Tommie was 1 of only 2 Male vocalist to be featured throughout the entire season!



*Dave Hollister*

Although the two are not related, you may hear them refer to each other as cousins. Tommie B. grew up listening to Dave Hollister & would eventually get the opportunity to be employed by his long time musical mentor.



*Syleena Johnson*

Tommie B. began his business relationship with Grammy Nominated singer Syleena Johnson as a songwriter. After hearing him sing what he was writing for her she requested his vocal assistance on tour with her. Tommie is used as a Vocal Director for her bgv section. He sings Tenor, Alto & Soprano for her.

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# BqV History

Background Vocal



*Tweet*

Tommie B. had the pleasure of singing backgrounds for Tweet for a live acoustic album recording she was featured on.



*B. Slade (Tonex)*

A lot of vocalists Tommie B. works with tends to prefer him to be free to feel what he sings while doing bgv's. B. Slade is no exception... Tommie describes working with B. Slade as one of his most free spirited moments in singing backgrounds.



*K. Michelle*

Tommie B. found out that he had to sing bgv's for artist K. Michelle A day before the performance. The show was in Chicago & He was in Atlanta. On top of this he had to learn 10 songs in 24hrs while driving from Atl to Chi.

# BGV History

Background Vocal



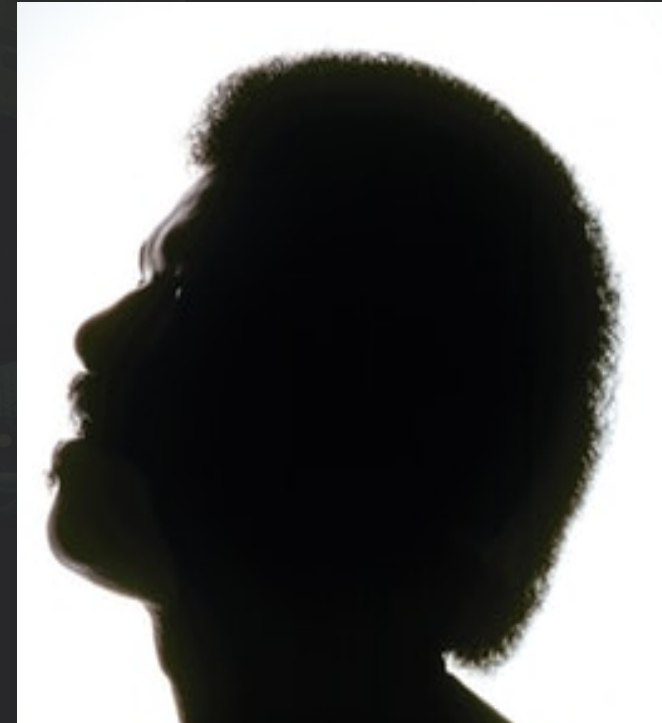
*Ginuwine*

Tommie B.'s God Brothers Redd Ford & Rick Rush has been doing bgv's for Ginuwine since the beginning of his 20 year career. Tommie was invited as a guest to one of the shows & once Ginuwine discovered Tommie was a vocalist through a tip from Redd, Ginuwine gave him an extra mic. Although it was one occurrence, we felt this displayed a great level of professionalism & Tommie Always being prepared!



*Tank*

Tank was one of Tommie B.'s first major producers. Tommie has done leads & bgv's for songs written & produced by Tank in a studio recording atmosphere.



*Syl Johnson*

Tommie B. also had the pleasure of doing some bgv studio work for Blues Legend Syl Johnson; As well as traveling to France to do live bgv work for a set that included himself, his daughter & brother.

A handwritten signature in white ink that reads "Tommie B." with a stylized flourish underneath.

# BqV History

Background Vocal



*Willie Taylor*

Tommie B. & Willie Taylor have been like brothers since high school. After the split from his group Day 26 (aka Diddy's Making The Band 4) Tommie would at often times assist Will during his spot date runs.



*Day 26*

You can also hear Tommie B.'s bgv's, song writing & vocal arrangement work on Day 26 Christmas single titled "This Christmas".

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# Career History

## Artists Collaborations

- Diddy
- Tank
- Syleena Johnson
- Dave Hollister
- Willie Taylor (Day26)
- Avant
- Crucial Conflict
- Twista
- Cardi B.
- The Underdogs
- Jeremih
- K. Michelle
- Tweet
- B. Slade (Tonex)
- Syl & Jimmie Johnson (Blues)

## T.V. Network Appearances

- Mtv
- Tv One
- WCIU
- Fox
- Nbc
- Cbs

## Alias / Group Names

- Tommie B.
- Nexx Level
- LakeShore
- Mixx
- 17th Floor

## Newspaper Write-Ups

- Chicago Sun-Times
- Chicago Tribune

## Online Write-Ups

- [LiveNation.com](http://LiveNation.com)
- [SingersRoom.com](http://SingersRoom.com)
- [ThisIsRnb.com](http://ThisIsRnb.com)
- [YouKnowIGotSoul.com](http://YouKnowIGotSoul.com)
- [ebony.com](http://ebony.com)
- [vibe.com](http://vibe.com)
- [SoulTracks.com](http://SoulTracks.com)
- [HighLineBallRoom.com](http://HighLineBallRoom.com)
- [TvOne.com](http://TvOne.com)
- [RollingOut.com](http://RollingOut.com)
- [NeoSoulCafe.com](http://NeoSoulCafe.com)

## States of Performances

- Alabama
- Arizona
- Arkansas
- California
- Colorado
- Connecticut
- Florida
- Georgia
- Illinois
- Indiana
- Iowa
- Kansas
- Kentucky
- Maryland
- Massachusetts
- Michigan
- Minnesota
- Mississippi
- Missouri
- Nebraska
- Nevada
- New Jersey
- New York
- North Carolina
- Ohio
- Oklahoma
- Pennsylvania
- Tennessee
- Texas

## Recent Credits

- **"Bodak Yellow"**  
Cardi B - Single  
Producer
- **"Money Bag"**  
Cardi B - Single  
Producer
- **"Invasion of Privacy"**  
Cardi B. - Album  
Composer - Production Team  
(Toxic Productions)
- **"Woman"**  
Syleena Johnson - Album  
Composer - Arranger - Vocals  
(Background)
- **"Summer 96"**  
Twista - Album  
Arranger - Vocals (Background)

## Awards

- **Grammy Award Winner**  
(Best Rap Album - Cardi B. 2019)  
Toxic Productions

## Extras

- 4 Years of professional Musical training (including reading music)
- 16 Years of "in the field" musical experience.
- Toured 280 days per year.
- Career spans from 2001 - Present.
- Writer for Millions More Movement compilation album
- Performed at Millions More Movement March

# Industry *M*usician Affiliates



*Isaiah Sharkey*  
Lead Guitar - Grammy Winner

D'Angelo, John Mayer, Patti Labelle, Boyz II Men  
Christopher Martin (Cold Play), etc.



*Derek Dixie*  
Drums - Grammy Nominated

Beyoncé, Jay-Z, SuperBowl, etc.



*Rex Hardy Jr.*  
Drums

American Idol, Mary J. Blidge, Kirk Franklin  
David Foster, Chaka Khan, etc.



*Nisan Stewart*  
Drums - Grammy Nominated

Timbaland, Aaliyah, Ginuwine, Missy Elliott  
Jamie Foxx, 50 Cent, etc.



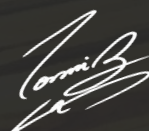
*Amadeus*  
Drums

Trey Songz, VH1, BET, EA Sports, Sprite, etc.



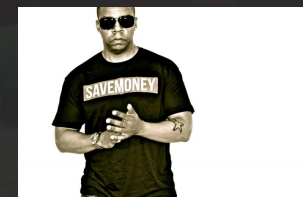
*Tony "Lil' Tony" Russell*  
Bass

Jay-Z, P. Diddy, Jamie Foxx  
Kendrick Lamar (Music Director), etc.



*Steve "Stone" Huff*  
Bass

Joe, R.Kelly, Avant, Yolanda Adams, etc.



*Rodney East*  
Keys - Tony Nominated

R.Kelly, Jamie Foxx, The Isley Brothers  
Yolanda Adams (Music Director), etc.



*Rob Lewis*  
Keys

Christina Aguilera, New Kids On The Block,  
Toni Braxton, Mtv, VH1, etc.



*Marcus Kincaid*  
Keys

Nicki Minaj, Nick Jonas, Mary J. Blidge,  
Camila Cabello, P. Diddy, etc.



*Maurice "MoFitz" Fitzgerald*  
Bass

Beyoncé, Destiny's Child, Yolanda Adams,  
Ron Isley, etc.



*Jamareo Artis*  
Bass

Bruno Mars, SuperBowl, Grammys, etc.







*Tommy B*



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