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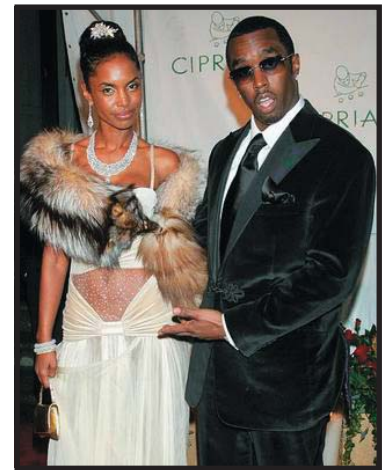
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## P. Diddy's Royal 35th Birthday Ball

The invitation read, "Throw caution, conservatism, and trend to the wind. Marvel in the spectacle that is fashion." And what a spectacle it was. Though covered extensively by the world-wide media, we thought we'd give our readers an inside look at one of the splashiest parties New York has seen in a long time as rap impresario, actor, and fashion designer **Sean "P. Diddy" Combs** celebrated his 35th birthday on November 4th at Cipriani Wall Street.

Dubbed, *P. Diddy's Royal 35th Birthday Ball*, a star-studded crowd of 1,500 well wishers gathered at 55 Wall Street, to celebrate in style at a party hosted by restaurateur **Giuseppe Cipriani**. Hank Lane Music was chosen to provide all of the live music at the event and P. Diddy personally selected all of the musical components and styles of music. **Herald trumpeters** were perched on the neo-classical building's balcony as celebrities arrived on the red carpet that included stars such as, **Bruce Willis, Carson Daly, George Hamilton, Tony Danza, Vivica A. Fox, Tatum O'Neal** and **Milla Jojovich**. There was also actress **Tara Reid** who generated her own publicity. And, of course, there was **Paris Hilton**. Hip-Hop, rap and R&B stars including **Usher, Jay-Z, Kanye West, JaRule** and **Ice-T** were there, too, along with fashion designers **Tommy Hilfiger, Donna Karan** and **Betsey Johnson**. And how could we forget what seemed like the hundreds of fashion models including the super **Naomi Campbell**, go-go dancers, and acrobats who hung from the 70 foot high ceiling! Joining the mix were executives and staff of P. Diddy's **Bad Boy Records** and **Sean John** apparel company along with singers **Mariah Carey, Janet Jackson, Paulina Rubio, Sean Lennon**, and the legendary record executive **Clive Davis**.

As guests entered the party, they were greeted by **three beautiful harpists** at one entrance and a row of **twenty-four violinists** at the other. Inside the main ballroom Hank Lane Music bandleader **Harris Lane** directed a **25 piece orchestra** that featured a front line of eight singers, including a Frank Sinatra sound-alike, that played the great popular American standards and classic R&B. Following the band, **DJ QTip** took over with emcee **Doug E. Fresh**. (See more P. Diddy party photos on page 3)



▲ Sean "P.Diddy" Combs arriving at Cipriani Wall Street with girlfriend Kim Porter.



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▲ Bandleader Harris Lane directed a twenty-five piece orchestra for P. Diddy's 35th birthday bash.

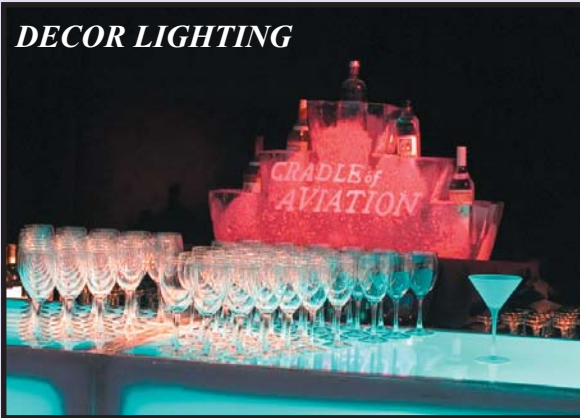


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▲ Harris' band featured a front line of eight vocalists including a Frank Sinatra sound-alike.

**Fusion Lighting by Marcus Mordachini**

We are pleased to announce that **Fusion Lighting**, the event production and lighting division of Hank Lane Music, has been named as the exclusive event lighting company for the **Cradle of Aviation Museum** in Garden City, Long Island (NY). The museum's unique exhibits provide wonderful oppurtunities to use Fusion's creative lighting designs and special lighting effects for private parties and events. Here are just a few examples. For more, logon to [www.fusion-enterprises.com](http://www.fusion-enterprises.com).



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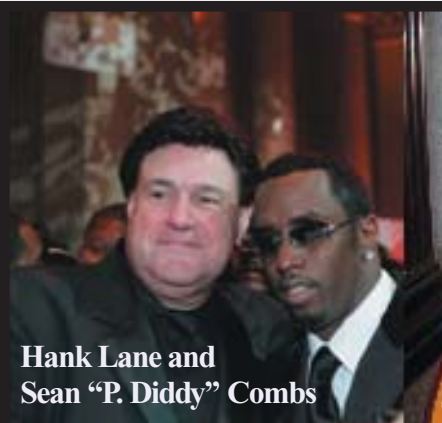
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# More Photos from P.Diddy's Birthday Bash



Hank Lane and Sean "P. Diddy" Combs



Tony Danza poses with our harpists.



Our Erik Marshall actress Tara Reid, Harris Lane



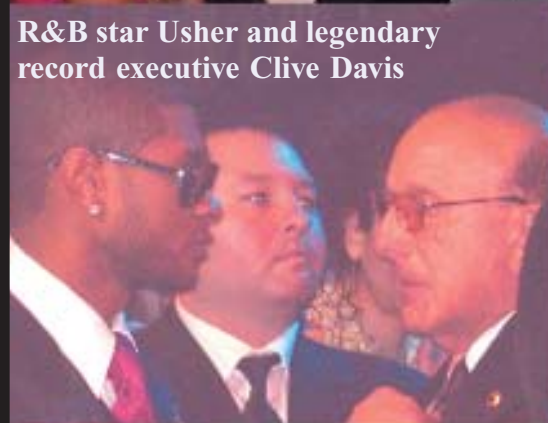
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Hank Lane vocalist Curtis Parris & actor Marlon Wayans



R&B star Usher and legendary record executive Clive Davis



Rapper & actor Ice-T, Hank Lane vocalist Bobby Atiko, Harris Lane



Hank Lane vocalist Lori Roth & singer Mariah Carey



Hank Lane bandleader Marc Stevens, actor George Hamilton, Rebecca Wolff.



Harris Lane on the bandstand.



Bandleader Harris Lane, Tony Danza, Hank Lane vocalist Bobby Atiko.



## And in Other News...

### HANK LANE MUSIC TO PERFORM AT THE WHITE HOUSE IN DECEMBER

We are very pleased to announce that Hank Lane Music has been asked to perform at the White House in December. **Michael Herman** will direct the band in the nation's capital. We'll have a complete account in our spring edition.

Ring in the new year with Hank Lane Music! Hank Lane bands and musicians and More Than Music DJ's and entertainers will be appearing at a number of public New Year's Eve celebrations throughout New York City. Join us at the **Essex House, Harry Cipriani, Mandarin Oriental, the**



▲ *Mike Herman*



**Rainbow Room, Ritz-Carlton-Central Park, Ritz-Carlton-Battery Park, The St. Regis, and the Waldorf-Astoria.** If you are heading to Atlantic City, NJ, **Steve Delisi** will be leading his band at **Caesar's Atlantic City**. Call your favorite location for details and information. To all of our loyal clients, we wish you a happy, healthy, and successful 2005!

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