Noel Catura - Saxophone and Vocalist for the JC Smith Band

Another San Jose native, award winning Noel Catura (saxophone and vocals) anchors the band with his rich tonal color that solidifies the band's sonic identity. Noel has worked with Joe Louis Walker, Chris Cain, John Lee Hooker, Bobby Wamack, Charles Brown, Sista Monica, Mary Wells, Eddie "Clean Head" Vinson, Albert King, Ike Turner, Robben Ford, and a long list of others. Noel has been a professional musician, composer, arranger, and educator in the San Francisco Bay Area for over 40 years in many genres, including blues, jazz, funk, Latin and R&B. Noel has performed around the globe at many prestigious venues and festivals including the Apollo Theater (New York), Royal Albert Hall (London), Blue Note (New York), Buddy Guy's Legends (Chicago), Montreal Jazz Festival (Canada), Notodden Blues Festival (Norway), Belgium Rhythm and Blues Festival, West Palm Beach Jazz Festival (Florida), Monterey Jazz Festival, and San Jose and San Francisco Jazz and Blues Festivals. Noel currently performs with his own ensemble as well as the J.C. Smith Band, Golden State Warriors Bay Blue Notes Band, Matt Finders & Friends and other notable bands on the West Coast.

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