

# JAMES EVERETT

US singer **James Everett** comes from the villages of jazz, blues, soul and gospel, creating a vocal performance fusion of R&B/Neo-soul with the passion to inspire others with songs riding on the edge of that timeless vibe. As one fan puts it “This is what we’re missing, romance, respect and the ability to weave through the genres with style. James is magnetic and charming.”

A native of San Francisco, James musical journey began at the age of 4 while sitting on a church pew with his feet dangling, looking up at his big sister amid the sound of jubilant tambourines in syncopation to hands clapping. Inspired by a number of musical influences (Frank Sinatra, Luther Vandross, Smokey Robinson, Peabo Bryson, Al Jarreau, Gospel, Jazz, Soul and Johann Sebastian Bach), James found his baritone-tenor (falsetto eclectic) vocal style. It was not just men who inspired James to sing, he particularly paid close attention to the likes of Sarah Vaughn, Nancy Wilson, Minnie Riperton, Roberta Flack and Aretha Franklin’s revived soul.

In December of 2016, James debuted his first Holiday Christmas album, *A Timeless Season (The Song That Sings Of You)*. He teamed up with **Tal Ariel** (Producer/Arranger) and **Kelly Park** (The Kelly Park Big Band/Co-writer) to create a unique collaboration with three of the songs on the seven track LP being originals. The album was dedicated to James’ oldest sister (Carolyn) who lost her battle to cancer just days before the Christmas album release.

Since that time, James has performed with some of the Bay Areas top musicians at venues such as the Oakland Sound Room, Brick and Mortar, The Mark Hopkins (Peacock Room), The Fairmont Hotel and a few coffee houses and wineries.

The Covid-19 pandemic pretty much brought everything to a screeching halt, but most recently, James has been creating new original music to put out into the world. Currently, he’s anticipating the release of a **New R&B/Soul single** entitled “**Slipping Away**” to drop this Fall 2021. It’s very clear that James Everett is focused on getting back into the swing of things despite the unfortunate setbacks.