

Ray Chew

Ray's tenure as Music Director for series network television started with the longest running show in syndication - It's Showtime at the Apollo (NBC). It continued with American Idol (FOX), Sunday's Best (BET), Rising Star (ABC), and Singing Bee (NBC). Ray and his team also provided the music and vocals for the highly rated game show hosted by Ken Jeong - I Can See Your Voice which aired for 3 seasons on FOX.

His achievements behind the scenes extend to film as well with Music Composer and Music Supervisor credit on T.D. Jakes' spring 2023 release of the Lifetime movie Pride: A Seven Deadly Sins installment - boasting over 2.2 million views in it's first week and over 9 million views for the franchise.

Ray's music direction is sought after for prestigious music specials and historic landmark events including the annual the 65th Primetime Emmy Awards, the Grammy Awards Premiere Ceremony, the 2008 Democratic National Convention, President Barak Obama's Inaugural Neighborhood Ball, the 44th Annual NAACP Image Awards and the BET Awards from 2006 - 2014.

Some of Rays' live performances at the helm of award-winning musical events have recently gone viral with the world's most popular artists including Rihanna, Chaka Khan, Prince, Pharrell Williams, Justin Timberlake, Aretha Franklin, Lenny Kravitz, Pitbull, Queen Latifah, James Taylor, Pastor Shirley Caesar, Jennifer Hudson and Quincy Jones.

His work with orchestras as a conductor and a composer has carried him to prestigious venues all over the world - From the Hollywood Bowl in Los Angeles to the Oslo Spektrum in Norway to Carnegie Hall and the Lincoln Center in New York.

New York's famed Carnegie Hall is where Ray and his wife/business partner- Vivian Scott Chew - produce and perform "A Night of Inspiration" to sold out audiences since 2010. The all-star concert promotes diversity and unity with a 64-piece orchestra and 150 mass choir featuring notable artists from the gospel and secular communities. This is one of many productions from the duo and their long-standing relationship with Carnegie Hall. On the calendar for 2026, The Chews will be presenting the opening night of Carnegie Hall's "United in Sound" festival in celebration of the 250th Anniversary of America.



Ray Chew's indelible mark on the music industry landscape is vast, having been recognized and awarded by several organizations including the National Academy of Recording Arts & Sciences (Grammys), The American Federation of Musicians, The California Black Caucus, The Living Legends Foundation, NYC Musicians Collective, The City of New York, Newark School of the Arts, National Music Council, The Jessie Banks Foundation, and most recently the Christian Cultural Center for his career achievements and philanthropic work with the Power 2 Inspire Foundation. The non-profit was founded in 2013 by Ray and Vivian to empower young, aspiring musicians and future leaders in the music industry thru a virtual internship program and continuous mentoring support. The foundation fosters opportunities for talented musicians, singers, songwriters, and business executives who share a passion for creating "Music with a Heart" through workshops, lectures, and masterclasses. Over 150 young creatives have completed the program since its inception and have gone on to make an impact as musicians, vocalists and executives in the business - furthering Ray and Vivian's commitment to reach back and guide the next generation of music industry icons.

