

The TSTT Foundation donated \$25,000 to the Music Literacy Trust in George Benson's name. From left: George Benson; Jenny Lee, director of Music Literacy Trust; Mark Loquan, chairman of the Music Literacy Trust; and Jay Alvi, TSTT's executive vice-president, Enterprise Services, during the cheque handover at Creme de la Creme—the Best of George Benson at the Hyatt Regency on November 1.



## Benson thrills 'Creme de la Creme' audience

It was an evening of enjoyable music and great company, as TSTT hosted Creme de la Creme—the Best of George Benson.

The American jazz and R&B artiste performed at the Hyatt Regency on November 1.

More than 1,000 of TSTT's corporate customers and partners attended the command performance hosted by TSTT in appreciation for their continued support.

Benson, ten-time Grammy Award winner, thrilled his appreciative audience for more than an-hour-and-a-half with virtuoso performances of his internationally acclaimed hits, including Masquerade, Greatest Love of All, Turn Your Love Around, On Broadway and Lady Love Me (One More Time).

In addition to Benson's performance, TSTT took the opportunity to donate \$25,000 from the TSTT Foundation to the Music Literacy Trust in Benson's name.

Benson, the consummate musician, was overjoyed at the gesture, as he has a passion for music and music education.

The Music Literacy Trust is an NGO dedicated to promoting music education and music literacy, particularly among pannists.

The trust has been providing scholarships to local musicians so they can pursue studies abroad, at the master's level and at UWI Department for Creative and Festival Arts.

It also has been involved in projects with local pan sides, through which pan players are learning to read and write music, with a view to preserving and scoring our local music.

Benson, an amazingly versatile musician who VH1 has referred to as the guitar-playing equivalent of Nat King Cole, has collaborated with greats like Al Jarreau, Patti Austin, Paul McCartney and Quincy Jones.