

Susquehanna Valley Theatre Organ Society

January 2022

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Monday, January 17th Capitol Theatre, York, PA



With this COVID threat this year, we'll make this Open Console for the <u>PLAYERS</u> <u>ONLY</u>. We'll need to obey the Capitol's vaccination and masking policy (below) while we're in the theater.

To play, you'll need to reserve a time slot by either calling Don or Nancy Schoeps at 704-609-0248 or by email at <u>dschoeps@aol.com</u>. We'll need to lock the doors, so please call us when you arrive (it's sometimes hard to hear knocking

over the organ!) and we'll let you in the Philadelphia Street door.

The Appell Center's current requirements regarding masking and vaccines:

- Organists MUST wear masks to enter and leave the theatre, but will not be required to wear a mask while
 playing. Handwashing and/or using hand sanitizer will be required before playing and is also recommended
 after playing for your safety. Hand washing facilities and hand sanitizer will be provided at the
 theatre. Because of Covid, no visitors will be permitted in order to limit the number of people in the theatre.
- Fully Vaccinated
 - All fully vaccinated guests visiting the Appell Center will need to show proof of full vaccination.
- Unvaccinated
 - Guests over the age of 12 who are not vaccinated must provide one of the following:
 - A negative COVID-19 antigen test taken by an approved testing site within 24 hours of the date and time of the event
 - A negative COVID-19 PCR test taken by an approved testing site within 5 days of the date and time of the event.

SVTOS is a 501(c)(3) corporation dedicated to the preservation and presentation of Theatre Pipe Organs. Proudly supporting the Mighty WurliTzer Theatre Pipe Organ in the Capitol Theatre in York, PA.

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Happy New Year everyone. Hope you have had a happy holiday period, as limited as it has been with respect to gatherings.

Pachords Pacords The SVTOS Holiday Open House was a great gathering (see the picture below). Big thanks to Ed Horvath of all the cooking, hope everyone "got their fill". The following week our neighborhood (about 20) paid a visit and got exposed to the sounds of the theatre organ. Now they want to gather again for a silent movie night next summer.

A big thanks to Don Schoeps and Bill Autry for the "White Christmas" before-movie appearances. Although the attendance at the Capitol has not been great, the theatre is tentatively planning to have some weekend movies, which Barry Howard will be scheduling if/when they are announced.

As has been the tradition, we will hold open console meetings in January and February. Don Schoeps and Barry Howard will be handling the open consoles for January and February, respectively. Since we can, Ed Horvath and I are heading south for several weeks.

The next regular SVTOS meeting will be March 14, 2022. As the holiday goes by, I have been e-mailing about possible appearances for the spring. Seamus Gethicker has agreed to play in April and Mark Herman will be making an appearance for the 100th Anniversary of OPUS 501 event at Barry Howard's and Larry Fenner's residence the weekend of May 14-15. June is open at this point, and I am trying to get Justin LaVoie for our picnic after the ATOS Convention in July. (Let me know if you have a suggested performer for one of our meetings.) If you have not renewed for 2022, these are just a few of the reasons to send Roy Wainwright your check.

If you missed Seamus's Facebook program it is here: <u>https://www.facebook.com/107579541007916/</u> videos/1623316884503929



Enjoy your winter's activities.



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Monday January 17th*	SVTOS Open Console, Capitol Theatre, York, PA (see details on Page 1)
Monday February 21st*	SVTOS Open Console, Capitol Theatre, York, PA (details below)
Monday March 14th	To Be Announced
April (date to be announced)	Seamus Gethicker Showcase, Capitol Theatre, York, PA
Saturday and Sunday, May 14 and 15*	100th Anniversary Celebration of Wurlitzer Opus 501 featuring MARK HERMAN, Howard-Fenner Residence, Lebanon, PA. Details to follow.
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SVTOS Open Console February 21st

Barry Howard will host and schedule the Open Console on Monday, February 21st. If you would like to schedule practice time for February on the Capitol Wurlitzer, please contact Barry at (717) 274-2254 or by email at bhowie428@comcast.net.

All SVTOS members are welcome to sign up for some practice time on the organ. (No Guests Please)

<u>ER</u> plays Holiday Music at <u>Longwood Gardens</u> . erham, <u>Dickinson Theatre Organ Society</u> , Wilmington, DE.
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al Convention, San Diego, CA. ATOS 2022 Convention

Click on the underlined links to find additional information, including location and cost, for these events.

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Larry Fenner – "Windline" Editor & Membership

Ed Horvath - Hospitality

Bill Autry, Gary Coller, Sam Groh, Don Kinnier, Ken Klein, Terry Nace, Connor Ream, Don Schoeps, and Judy Townsend

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"SVTOS Plays For The Movies"

NO MOVIES ARE CURRENTLY SCHEDULED

"SVTOS Plays at Masonic Village," Elizabethtown, PA

ALL PROGRAMS ARE CANCELLED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

Electronic Theatre Organ Needed

Gary Coller is looking for the donation of a reliable electronic theatre organ to replace the one he plays at the Lancaster Providence Place (formerly Country Meadows). The present 35 to 40 year old instrument is on its last notes. Missing pedal notes forced him to play the holiday program as if it was a piano. Didn't work out too well. Most of the preset sounds don't work. He's enjoyed playing there every month for the last 17(?) years and he's not ready to give it up yet. Please contact Gary at (610) 678-5690 or by email at <u>springmontpipes@verizon.net</u>.

A "Bright" Idea from Roy Wainwright

Let there be more light!

A simple solution to get more light on your music and keyboards:-

BIG LIGHT LED TRACK LIGHT. Mounts easily to ceiling, includes remote control. Plug in 110v \$35 Amazon. Use wire mould, adhesive back (or screws) to cover wire on ceiling. Hide vertical wire behind drapes.



-Roy Wainwright

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Rochester Theatre Organ Society YouTube Videos

The <u>Rochester Theatre Organ Society (RTOS)</u> has posted videos of recent concerts performed by various artists on the Society's 4/21 Wurlitzer theatre pipe organ.

Nathan Avakian with Claire Avakian - Holiday Celebration 2021 - Act1 Nathan Avakian with Claire Avakian - Holiday Celebration 2021 - Act2 Donnie Rankin Act1 Donnie Rankin Act2 Virtually Yours Brett Miller