# The Windline January-February 2019



Susquehanna Valley Theatre Organ Society

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### Should YOU Come to Open Console?

Some of our members sign-up for half-hour or hour-long stints playing the organ in an empty theater at the Capitol Theatre in York - others come just to listen and chat.

It's primarily for organ players, but some of us who are listeners and appreciators enjoy coming too.

I'm both a player and a listener – I LOVE to hear the organ; and I always learn some new things, listening to other people play. While we don't interrupt the player during his precious time slot, most players stick around after, and even before, their time – and are glad to chat about what they played. There's SO much "to" playing Theatre Organ – "technique" like fingering, sure - but also Registration (what "colors" of pipes to use and how to mix them, and how to vary all that), Arranging (single notes or chords (for both the melody and the counter-melody)), what kind of "Background," the use of traps (cymbals, drums, etc.) and "effects" (gong?), and simply the Weight of the music (Majestic to "perfuming the air")!

Nancy and I thoroughly enjoy hosting these all-day sessions – listening, chatting, and visiting, as well as playing - - - always learning – always enjoying!

\*\*NOTE!\*\* – We now (after renovation) need to lock the doors; so call our cellphone at 704-609-0248 and knock on the third door on Philadelphia Street when you come.

Be sure to <u>sign up soon</u> if you want a time slot to play by emailing Don at <u>dschoeps@aol.com</u> or by calling 717-254-6097.

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 at the Capitol Theatre in York, PA.

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Our annual Christmas program was held on Tuesday December 11<sup>th</sup> at Masonic Village in Elizabethtown, PA, for the residents and staff of the Health Care Center. SVTOS members Gary Coller, Don Schoeps, Barry Howard, and Larry Fenner played their favorite Christmas selections on the 3-manual Allen Theatre Organ. Sam Groh played a few of his Christmas favorites on the Steinway grand piano. Vocals were provided by Judy Townsend and Nancy Schoeps accompanied by Don Kinnier on the organ and Don Schoeps on the piano. The finale featured all performers singing "Jingle Bells" with Don Kinnier on the organ and Don Schoeps on the piano while members played real sleigh bells and sound effects.

We are starting 2019 with two open console days at the Capitol Theatre on Monday January 21<sup>st</sup> (Martin Luther King Day) and Monday February 18<sup>th</sup> (Presidents Day). Since we do not have our regular monthly chapter meetings during these months it gives our members an opportunity to get some practice time on the Capitol Wurlitzer. Don Schoeps will schedule and host these open consoles again this year. If you would like to reserve some practice time on the organ, please contact Don at 717-254-6097 or email him at <a href="mailto:dschoeps@aol.com">dschoeps@aol.com</a> with "Open Console" in the subject title. See details on the cover page of this newsletter.

Instead of our usual showcase programs for SVTOS members only, we have decided to extend these programs to the general public and co-present them with the collaboration of the Appell Center for the Performing Arts. We have three excellent theatre organists scheduled for these public concerts.

Starting on Sunday March 3, 2019, Ken Double will be our opening artist. Ken is the house organist at the Fox Theatre in Atlanta, GA, and has played the Capitol organ previously about 7 years ago and we are delighted to have him back again. More about Ken in the next newsletter.

Then on Sunday April 7, 2019, Pierre Fracalanza will play the Capitol organ for the first time. Pierre's dexterity on the keyboards is truly amazing and every program is uniquely different. We look forward to hearing Pierre at the Capitol.

Donnie Rankin will be our artist for the Sunday June 9, 2019, program. Donnie also played the Capitol organ previously about 3 years ago for one of our SVTOS chapter meetings. Donnie is an extremely talented young organist and we are pleased to have him back for a public concert.

Current SVTOS members are entitled to 2 FREE tickets to each of these public concerts. Ticket prices for non-members will be \$15.00. Please come out and support these programs and invite your friends and neighbors to come along and enjoy some great music.

Wishing you a HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Barry Howard



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SVTOS 2018-2019 SEASON		
Monday, Jan. 21*	Open Console at the Capitol Theatre WurliTzer, Martin Luther King Day	
	Capitol Theatre, York, PA	
Monday, Feb. 18*	Open Console at the Capitol Theatre WurliTzer, President's Day	
	Capitol Theatre, York, PA	
Sunday, March 3*	Public Concert: Ken Double, Capitol Theatre, York, PA. Two free tickets available for each SVTOS	
3:00 PM	membership membership	
Sunday, April 7*	Public Concert: Pierre Fracalanza, Capitol Theatre, York, PA. Two free tickets available for each SVTOS	
3:00 PM	membership	
Monday, May 13	Annual SVTOS Business Meeting and Wanamaker Organ video.	
7:00 PM	Capitol Theatre, York, PA	
Sunday, June 9*	Public Concert: Donnie Rankin, Capitol Theatre, York, PA. Two free tickets available for each SVTOS	
3:00 PM	membership	
* Indicates meetings <u>NOT</u> held on the usual second Monday of the month <u>and/or</u> at a different time or location		

### "SVTOS Plays at Masonic Village," Elizabethtown, PA

#### **2019 DATES**

Tuesday February 12 @ 7:00 PM — Gary Coller

Tuesday April 9 @ 7:00 PM—OPEN\*

Tuesday June 11 @ 7:00 PM—OPEN\*

Tuesday August 13 @ 7:00 PM—OPEN\*

Tuesday October 8 @ 7:00 PM — OPEN\*

Tuesday December 10 @ 7:00 PM—Annual SVTOS Christmas Spectacular—OPEN TO ALL

\*Please contact Ken Kline at 717-564-7513 or <u>krkline38@gmail.com</u> to volunteer to play for any of these movies.

### "SVTOS Plays For The Movies"

Hear these SVTOS members play the WurliTzer 30 minutes before movies at the Capitol Theatre.

#### All Shows \$7.00 unless otherwise noted.

Friday, January 4 @ 6:30 - "Chitty Chitty Bang Bang" - (FREE) - Roy Wainwright

Saturday, January 5 @ 7:00 PM - "Won't You Be My Neighbor" - Gary Coller

Sunday, January 6 @ 3:00 PM - "Won't You Be My Neighbor" - Larry Fenner

Saturday, January 12 @ 7:00 PM - "Forrest Gump" - Don Schoeps

Sunday, January 20 @ 2:00 PM "Selena" - CANCELLED

Saturday, January 26 @ 7:00 PM - "Sorry To Bother You" - Robert Pierce

Sunday, January 27 @ 3:00 PM - "Sorry To Bother You" - Robert Pierce

Friday, February 1 @ 6:30 PM -"Honey I Shrunk The Kids" - Roy Wainwright (FREE)

Saturday, February 2 @ 7:00 PM - "Groundhog Day" - Gary Coller

Saturday, February 9 @ 4:00 PM - Oscar Shorts - Animated - Barry Howard

Saturday, February 9 @ 7:00 PM - Oscar Shorts - Live Action - Barry Howard

Sunday, February 10 @ 3:00 PM - Oscar Shorts - Documentary - Larry Fenner



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COMING ATTRACTIONS		
Saturday, January 26		
7:00 PM	Nathan Avakian, <u>Dickinson Theatre Organ Society</u> , Wilmington, DE	
Saturday, February 16 7:00 - 9:30 PM	Brett Miller accompanies silent film "Metropolis," Trenton War Memorial, Trenton, NJ. Proceeds benefit Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation	
Sunday, March 3 3:00 PM	KEN DOUBLE, Capitol Theatre, York, PA Two free tickets available for each SVTOS membership.	
Saturday, March 16 7:00 PM	Richard Hills, <u>Dickinson Theatre Organ Society</u> , Wilmington, DE	
Sunday, March 24 3:00 PM	<b>Don Kinnier</b> , Rice Auditorium on the campus of Spring Grove Hospital Center, Catonsville, Maryland, Free State Theatre Organ Society	
Sunday, April 3 3:00 PM	PIERRE FRACALANZA, Capitol Theatre, York, PA Two free tickets available for each SVTOS membership.	
Saturday, April 27 7:00 PM	Phil Kelsall, <u>Dickinson Theatre Organ Society</u> , Wilmington, DE	
Sunday, April 28 2:00 PM	Jelani Eddington, <u>Theatre Organ Society of the Delaware Valley</u> , Colonial Theatre, Phoenixville, PA	
Sunday, June 2 2:00 PM	Silent Movie "The Strong Man," <u>Theatre Organ Society of the Delaware Valley</u> , Colonial Theatre, Phoenixville, PA	
Sunday, June 9 3:00 PM	DONNIE RANKIN, Capitol Theatre, York, PA Two free tickets available for each SVTOS membership.	
Saturday, June 15 7:00 PM	Ken Double, <u>Dickinson Theatre Organ Society</u> , Wilmington, DE	
June 30 - July 5	American Theatre Organ Society 2019 Annual Convention, Rochester, NY	
Sunday, September 29 2:00 PM	Tedde Gibson, Theatre Organ Society of the Delaware Valley, Colonial Theatre, Phoenixville, PA	
Sunday, October 27 2:00 PM	Halloween Silent Movie "Nosferatu," <u>Theatre Organ Society of the Delaware Valley,</u> Colonial Theatre, Phoenixville, PA	
Sunday, November 17 2:00 PM	Ron Rhode, <u>Theatre Organ Society of the Delaware Valley</u> , Colonial Theatre, Phoenixville, PA	
Sunday, December 9 2:00 PM	Annual Holiday Show with Rudy Lucente and Guests, Theatre Organ Society of the Delaware Valley, Colonial Theatre, Phoenixville, PA	

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

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