

The Organ Spiel

NEWSLETTER FOR THE SIERRA CHAPTER OF THE AMERICAN THEATRE ORGAN SOCIETY

Organ Concert

April 2024



Fabian A Beltran at Hunter Hall
218 California St., Rio Vista
Saturday, May 4th 2:00 PM

(doors open at 1: 00 PM)

**Free
Concert**

*Many thanks to Geoffrey Hansen
for making this concert possible!*

Sierra Chapter is excited to bring you
another talented young organist. They are what ATOS needs to
keep these uniquely American inventions to continue on.

A Donation Box will be set up in the Lobby
with proceeds going to our Scholarship Fund

Fabian is a 19 year old student from Madera, CA. He attends the University of the Pacific studying both computer science and jazz. He was put into piano lessons by his parents when he was seven and then began to learn jazz piano when he was thirteen.

Fabian became interested in the organ since he thought it was impressive to be able to play with your feet in addition to your hands. He later discovered the theatre organ and was astonished by all of the bells and whistles it had in addition to the pipes. He took it upon himself to master the instrument, which he is still in the process of doing today! Come and enjoy!!!

Directions: Take I-5 towards Lodi and exit at Hwy 12 West towards Rio Vista. When you cross over the Rio Vista Bridge (the big drawbridge) take the first off ramp, keep to the right and go under the bridge and head south (along the river on Front Street). You will come to a 4-way stop sign (Main St.). Keep going south two more blocks to California Street, turn right and go one block. The Hall is on the right, at the corner of California and Second Street. Hunter Hall is the L shaped building. Parking is on the street. Allow about 1 1/4 hr. from the Sacramento area.

Scenic Route: Take I-5 towards Lodi and exit at Twin Cities Road (west). Drive past the TV towers, and turn left (south) onto Hwy 160 (River Road). Continue on Hwy 160 to Hwy 12 and turn right onto the Rio Vista Bridge, then follow directions above.



Visit OHS 2024 Baltimore

With no ATOS convention this summer, you might want to consider joining the Organ Historical Society and attend their convention this summer in Baltimore. While the recitals are primarily classical, they usually feature one Theatre Organ Concert. This year it will be Tedde Gibson (former chairman of the Board of ATOS) performing on a Wurlitzer at The Engineer's Club.

There will be 25 other Venues for recitals, so you can expect every day to be jam packed with music. Check out their website:

<https://organhistoricalsociety.org/conventions/our-conventions/>

If nothing else, you will be blown away by the slide show at the top of the page.

II TEMPIO DI MUSICA PRESENTS DUO FORTIN-POIRIER

APRIL 21st, 2024, 3:00 PM

1 PIANO, 4 HANDS



Join us for a wonderful musical performance by these two very talented ladies.

Check them out here:

www.youtube.com/watch?v=lbiT61Rd5Ck

Suggested donation, \$30.00 all proceeds to the performers.

Il Tempio di Musica is near Grass Valley, California

RSVP billtrabucco@saber.net or 530-264-6629 with any questions and for directions if required.

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2024
SPRING
CONCERT SUNDAY, MAY 5

2:00 p.m. | Trabucco Ranch | Adults \$35 | Students \$10

For directions or more information, visit composerscooperative.info

One of the selections on the May 5 program is *Trumpet Voluntary*, written and performed by Peter Bassford on Bill Trabucco's "American Classic" Pipe Organ.

PRESIDENT'S PERSPECTIVE Randy Warwick

I know that driving up to Grass Valley might be a bit too far for many of us, but the Richard Hills concert was spectacular. I wish everyone could have made it as artistry at the organ just doesn't get any better than his performance.

Coming up is our opportunity to show support and encouragement to a fine young organist in Fabian Beltran. Hope to see you there.

Randy

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