The Egyptian Theatre Preservation Association Newsletter Fall 2017

From the Director's Desk by Kara Long

Grant season is upon us!

The Egyptian Theatre just received $13,200 from the Oregon Cultural Trust, to help get our historic backdrops working safely again. At the end of last summer one of the old hemp ropes that are used to lower and raise our 1925 backdrops broke, at that time because all the ropes are the same age we stopped using them immediately. Early in the summer we submitted a few grant requests to help us with the funds to upgrade each of the drops. Thank you OCT! In a bit, I'll share some information on the Oregon Cultural Trust and which explains how you can help the Egyptian and other arts/ cultural organizations across our great State.

We were also just notified by the Alfred P. Sloan Foundation that for the second year we are recipients of a grant to produce a series called Science On Screen. Last year we presented 7 films from November to May with local scientist/teachers presenting a short educational talk before each film. For example, we showed Jaws and we had a talk about sharks. This year we will be kicking off the series with Hidden Figures on November 12th at 2:00pm with the talk about women in science. With help with funding this program we are able to offer this series to the public for no admission. Each group that presents does collect donations for their projects or schools.

Oregonians fund the Oregon Cultural Trust. The Oregon Cultural Trust, in turn, funds the artists, the poets, the preservationists and the dreamers who make Oregon, Oregon. Every year the trust disperses funds via its 1,450+ cultural nonprofits, 45 county and tribal coalitions and five statewide partners.

Here's how it works: 1) Donate to the Egyptian Theatre and other favorite cultural organization(s). 2) Donate the sum of those gifts to the Cultural Trust. 3) Claim a tax credit for the Cultural Trust donation on your state taxes.

That's right. Your donation to the Cultural Trust comes back to you at tax time (up to $500 for an individual, $1,000 for couples filing jointly or $2,500 for a class-C corporation).

Culture across our great state thrives, and financially you don't miss a beat. Win-win. No other state in the union has this incredible benefit. Lucky Oregonians!

For more information and to donate, please visit www.culturaltrust.org or call 503-986-0088



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As we look ahead to 2017 drawing to an end--- autumn, football, rainy days, windstorms, holidays--- we'd like to call your attention to Tut's Store. The Theatre still has seats waiting for brass nameplates on them. The front sidewalk is a neat spot to place an inscribed tile honoring a friend, relative, organization....or even yourself.

Following our Farmers' Market booth ending, a supply of new signature wine glasses, mugs, pins, hats, sweatshirts, tee shirts, and other memorabilia are still available in the foyer.

For a unique gift or memorial for someone special (or yourself) stop by the concessions counter and check out the offerings. It's not too soon to make those lists and swing into holiday mode!



Board members Karen Robb and Brian Leigh, along with Janice Ellis and June Willoughby volunteer at the theatre during the summer Farmers' Market Wednesday tours.



Some of the items available for sale at the concessions counter.



Board member Al Ellis guides a summer visitor during the Wednesday Farmers' Market tours

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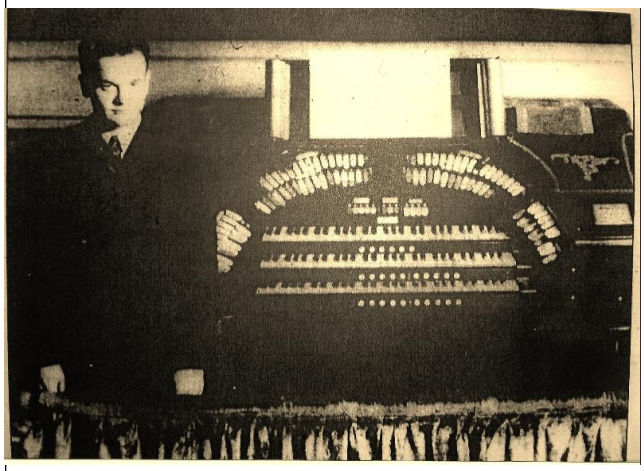
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Mighty Wurlitzer Update



Phil Giles stands next to the Wurlitzer circa late 1940s with its original three manuals.



Tom DeLay and Paul Quarino at work on the Wurlitzer in late August removing the added top fourth manual



The three-manual Wurlitzer as it now appears and as it was intended to be

The Mighty Wurlitzer of the Egyptian Theatre is sporting a new look and feel for listeners and musicians alike. In the ongoing effort to refurbish and restore this priceless instrument, organ masters Paul Quarino (ETPA board member) and Tom DeLay of Salinas/Monterey, CA, with help from David Engholm (ETPA board member), recently completed a major makeover for the organ. Sharp-eyed patrons will note that the Wurlitzer is back to being a three manual (keyboard) instrument rather than the four manual hybrid it was turned into sixty two years ago.

Always somewhat awkward to play with the fourth manual on top (which was inserted during the 1950s), both Paul Quarino and Lee Littlefield are excited and most happy with the change. The proportions and layout is correct now with music rack, stop tabs, expression pedals and the three manuals and foot pedal board in comfortable range for the player.

The keepers of the organ sixty plus years ago decided to add to our ten rank (rows of pipes) organ another eight ranks, going for a' bigger' and 'better' sound. Basically, the additional eight ranks were already included in our organ's own ten rank capacity. Those extra pipes jammed into the pipe chambers not only crowded the space in the chamber but necessitated that the organ console be modified. An additional four inches in height was added to insert that fourth keyboard, which threw off the traditional console layout, while uncomfortably skewing the posture of the organist.

Lee Littlefield didn't know the difference for the many years she'd been playing the Wurlitzer until she tried out the restored and correct layout of the organ. "So much easier to navigate and play," was her immediate response. Paul, who had been engineering the change in his mind for several years, was equally enthused and pleased with the result.

What happened to those extra eight ranks and the extra keyboard you might wonder? Several years back the ETPA returned the eight ranks and the organ console to the City of Hood River from where they came. The former Hood River theater, The Rialto, was owned by the McSwain family at the time the organ came to Coos Bay to join the McSwain's Egyptian Theatre. The Rialto no longer exists and its eight rank pipe organ is in pieces in care of the city's museum.

Paul and his good friend, Tom DeLay volunteered a week's worth of priceless knowledge, time and energy to achieving this step in the organ's restoration. The ETPA is indeed indebted to them both for taking this project under their wing.

And the Mighty Wurlitzer---proudly front and center, stands 3 ½ inches shorter than she was a month ago.



June Willoughby and Karen Robb display one of two newly installed tunnel doors at the back of the theatre on the 2nd Street Alley (photo taken prior to doors being painted the signature Egyptian Red).

TUT'S TABLET

- The **Annual Membership Meeting of the Egyptian Theatre Preservation Association** will be held in conjunction with the Board of Directors meeting on **November 8, 2017 at 5:30 PM** at the Egyptian Theatre. A business review of the past year at the theatre – events and finances -- and the election of Board of Director candidates will take place. All members in good standing of the ETPA are welcome to attend.
- **Application for Board of Director Position**: The ETPA Board of Directors is encouraging any member in good standing of the ETPA who may be interested in serving on the Board of Directors to submit a resume and expressed interest in serving to the Board in writing. Please send your materials to the Egyptian Theatre (229 S Broadway, Coos Bay, OR 97420).
- **Save the Date**: The **43rd Annual "Sounds of Christmas" Wurlitzer Organ Concert** will be held at The Egyptian on Saturday, December 9th at 12:00 noon. The concert is a favorite holiday tradition for many and is free to all.



Jo Donaldson and Patti Bennett

Your Hostesses with the Mostest

Jo Donaldson and Patti Bennett have been your Wine Walk Hostesses since early 2015.

Jo is a retired nurse anesthesiologist and Patti works several days a week for a local dentist. Both are also members of the Zonta club.

They "hit" on their famous Sangria for a Cinco de Maya Wine Walk a year or so ago and have stayed with that magic recipe ever since.

You can also often find Jo and Patti at the Egyptian on other show nights selling our superb popcorn. They are among our most faithful volunteers and we are very grateful to have them with us.

The Egyptian Theatre is a beneficiary of the monthly Wine Walk which is sponsored each month by the CB-NB Rotary. We have received nearly $11,000 during the past three years.

Many thanks to Jo and Patti and also to those of you who support the Wine Walk and stop by every month to sample our Sangria and popcorn. Your support goes a long ways to helping us keep our doors open.

All movies and shows subject to change. For the most up to date information check Facebook (Egyptian Theatre Coos Bay) or our website (www.egyptian-theatre.org)

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