

# The Windline

March 2023



*Susquehanna Valley Theatre  
Organ Society*

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## VIDEO - "STAN KANN: THE HAPPIEST MAN IN THE WORLD"

**MONDAY MARCH 13TH, 7:00 PM**

**CAPITOL THEATRE, YORK, PA**



An intimate portrait of Theater Organist/ Entertainer/ Vacuum Cleaner Aficionado, **Stan Kann**, the film chronicles Kann's lengthy career and his lifelong obsessions with music and collecting. From roller rink musician to silent film accompanist, to Movie Palace gadabout, Kann lived a charmed life of hobby and enthusiasm. An unmatched success as a network television personality - appearing as the self-styled Guru of Gadgets 77 times on The Tonight Show with Johnny Carson, 89 times on The Mike Douglas Show, and countless other appearances through the 1970s & 80s - Kann's gregarious personality and his improvisational skills made him a household name. Utilizing interviews with Kann, archival footage of his television appearances and contemporary footage of Stan in action, the film celebrates all that was Kann, from his talent to his quirky personal interests (cars, music, and a peculiar collection of 135 antique vacuums!).



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Here's hoping everyone is well. It appears that many are having a different winter season this year. Here in Florida, it has been 10 to 15 degrees warmer than normal. It appears that Pennsylvania has also been warmer by a number of degrees as well. We are returning next week, I hope the nicer weather continues. While here we had a chance to hear Nathan Avakian and Clark Wilson programs, so it's not been without some live theatre organ music.

To begin our spring meetings, on March 13<sup>th</sup> we will be having a video "The Happiest Man In The World" which is about the career of Stan Kann, theatre organist and vacuum cleaner collector. We will begin that meeting at 7 PM with an update on several theatre organ related topics including "What is a Melotone?", new videos on the internet, and summer plans and our Spring programs. Between this and the video we will have an intermission allowing time to enjoy Ed's goodies in the lobby and provide a chance to socialize.

Later in March we will be soliciting which members wish to perform at the Members' Showcase on the April 10<sup>th</sup> Chapter program.

Please check Larry's ongoing calendar of future events on Page 3 of this "Windline," including Clark Wilson's appearance at the Dickenson Theatre Organ Society's March 18<sup>th</sup> and May 6<sup>th</sup> Brett Valiant programs.

Richard Neidich, President SVTOS



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## SVTOS 2022-2023 SEASON

<b>Monday, March 13th</b> 7:00 PM	An evening of organ videos including "Stan Kann: The Happiest Man In The World" a retrospective of this organist's career. Capitol Theatre
Monday, April 10th 7:00 PM	"Members' Showcase" at the Capitol Theatre. Movie night players will share some of their tunes they have used to welcome Capitol Theatre movie audiences.
Sunday May 21st* 2:30 PM	Donnie Rankin plays Wurlitzer Opus 501, Howard-Fenner residence, Lebanon, PA
Monday June 12th 7:00 PM	Luke Staisiunas Showcase, Capitol Theatre, York, PA
Saturday, July 29th* Time TBD	Summer 2023 "Picnic" Brett Miller piano and organ program at the home of Richard Neidich and Edward Horvath featuring movie themes and orchestral sounds.
* 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 For The Movies"

Hear these SVTOS members play the Wurlitzer 30 minutes before listed times at the Capitol Theatre.

Consult the Capitol Theatre Website ([Click here](#)) for details and admission prices.

- Friday, March 3 @ 6:30 PM - *Monsters vs. Aliens* (FREE) - Roy Wainwright
- Saturday, March 4 @ 3:30 PM - *Oscar Shorts Animated* - Barry Howard
- Saturday, March 4 @ 7:00 PM - *Oscar Shorts Live Action* - Glenn Hough
- Sunday, March 5 @ 3:00 PM - *Oscar Shorts Documentary* - Roy Wainwright
- Saturday, March 18 @ 3:30 PM - *The Fabelmans* - Bill Autry
- Sunday, March 19 @ 3:00 PM - *Women Talking* - Roy Wainwright
- Thursday, March 23 @ 7:00 PM - *Carole King In Central Park* - Don Schoeps
- Friday, March 24 @ 7:00 PM - *Carole King In Central Park* - Roy Wainwright
- Saturday, March 25 @ 3:30 PM - *Black Panther 2* - Larry Fenner
- Saturday, March 25 @ 7:00 PM - *National theatre Live: The Crucible* - Bob Carbaugh
- Sunday, March 26 @ 3:00 PM - *Black Panther 2* - Roy Wainwright
- Saturday, April 1 @ 3:30 PM - *Guillermo del Toro's Pinocchio* - Bill Autry
- Saturday, April 1 @ 7:00 PM - *"It's Only Life After All" Indigo Girls Documentary* - Bill Autry
- Sunday, April 2 @ 3:00 PM - *All Quiet On The Western Front* - Roy Wainwright
- Friday, April 7 @ 6:30 PM—*The Prince Of Egypt* - Larry Fenner (FREE)



## COMING ATTRACTIONS

Saturday, March 18, 2023 3:00 PM	Clark Wilson, <a href="#">Dickinson Theatre Organ Society</a> , Wilmington, DE.
Sundays at 4:00 PM in March	"Arts On The Square" Organ Recitals: <a href="#">Market Square Presbyterian Church in Harrisburg, PA</a> . See flyer on Page 4
Saturday, April 15 10:00 am until 5:00 pm	Silent Film Day, <a href="#">Theatre Organ Society of the Delaware Valley</a> , Colonial Theatre, Phoenixville, PA. (Further details to follow)
Saturday, May 6, 2023 7:00 PM	Brett Valliant, <a href="#">Dickinson Theatre Organ Society</a> , Wilmington, DE.
July 2-7 ATOS Annual Convention 2023	The Chicago Area Chapter sponsors the ATOS 2023 Annual Convention featuring ten different artists playing seven different organs. See <a href="http://www.atos.org/convention">www.atos.org/convention</a> for details.

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



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## Sundays at Four

### Market Square Presbyterian Church

20 S. Second Street, Harrisburg, PA 17101

Concerts take place each Sunday at 4:00 p.m.  
on the IV/83 J. Nedra Schilling Organ/Orgues Létourneau Opus 136.

**On March 5, Rhonda Sider Edgington**, director of music and organist at Hope Church in Holland, Michigan, will play. A native of central Pennsylvania, she teaches organ at Calvin University in Grand Rapids and performs regularly across the United States, both as a soloist and as part of the Great Lakes Duo (organ and trumpet) and Thunder & Wind (organ and percussion).

**On March 12, Tyler A. Canonico**, minister of music and organist at the host church and sub-dean of the Harrisburg Chapter AGO, will perform. A graduate of the University of Alabama, he is organist for the Harrisburg Symphony Orchestra and music instructor and director of the College Choir at Lebanon Valley College, Annville, Pennsylvania.

**On March 19, Peter Yardley-Jones**, a graduate of the University of Glasgow and organist of the Swiss Church, Covent Garden, London, will play. Yardley-Jones has performed solo recitals at many of the UK's most prestigious venues, including St. John's College, Cambridge, and has made several concert tours in the United States.

**On March 26**, the final performer in the series will be **Dr. Isabelle Demers**, born in Québec and a graduate of The Juilliard School. Dr. Demers is the newly-appointed associate professor of organ at McGill University in Montréal and an internationally-known recitalist, having appeared throughout Europe, Oman, Australia, New Zealand, the United States, and Canada.



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