



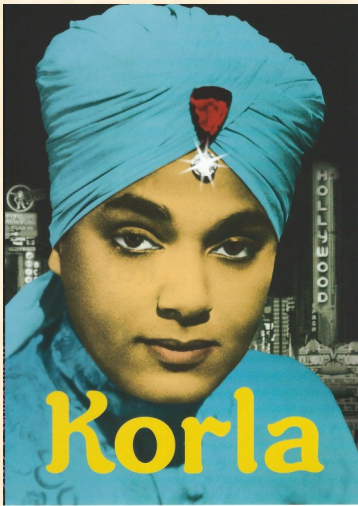
Susquehanna Valley Theatre

Organ Society

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"KORLA"

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 9TH @ 7:00 PM
CAPITOL THEATRE, YORK, PA



The captivating documentary film "Korla," the story of an organist who presented himself on Los Angeles television as a turbaned musician from India who fused compositions from the east and west on the organ. He later became a revered cultural icon credited with founding the genre known today as exotica music.

John Roland Redd was born in St. Louis, Missouri, in 1921 and migrated to Hollywood in 1939, with the dream of forging a career as a musician. John was able to find work as a Latin performer in Los Angeles night clubs and lounges under the alias "Juan Rolando." John evolved again in 1944 when he married Beryl DeBeeson, who worked in the Disney effects department, and

together they created 'Korla Pandit,' a talented and mysterious musician from New Delhi, India. And with this transformation, a star was born.

The documentary features insights and commentary from music, entertainment, and media tastemakers, including Carlos Santana, renowned Los Angeles Magazine reporter, R.J. Smith, and radio personality, Pete Fallico. Over the course of the film, viewers witness the engaging story of how one man mesmerized television, film and concert audiences with his tantalizing music, unforgettable persona, and never-before-seen keyboard theatrics - only to find that Korla's true identity was a secret he took to his grave in 1998.

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.

Summer is rapidly coming to an end and it's time to start our new SVTOS 2019-2020 season! Our first meeting is on Monday September 9th at the Capitol Theatre at 7:00 PM with a video documentary about the mysterious organist Korla Pandit. Korla was a popular organist from the 50's through the 70's who made many organ recordings and even had his own television show around the same time that Liberace was on television. He played the piano and organ, wore a jeweled turban, had a hypnotic gaze, and never spoke a word while performing on television. He also found fame as an actor, spiritual guide, and recording artist. Come to the meeting and find about the mysterious man behind the turban. We will have an open console after the video.

Dues for our new season are payable in September using the membership renewal form included with this newsletter. You can submit your payment at the September meeting or by mailing the renewal form to our Treasurer, Roy Wainwright, to the address on the form.

Our Ken Double public concert will be on Sunday October 6th at the Capitol Theatre at 3:00 PM. Ken will also accompany the short silent film comedy "That's My Wife" starring Laurel & Hardy as part of his program. The ticket price is \$15.00 for non-SVTOS members, \$5.00 for students, with a special group discount of \$10.00 for 10 or more people. SVTOS members who renew their membership before the concert are eligible to receive two free tickets to the concert. We will have a sign-up sheet at the September meeting for the free tickets for the members who renew their membership.

On Friday October 25th at 7:00 PM Don Kinnier will accompany the silent film, "Nosferatu" at the Capitol Theatre. This will be open to the public and the admission is \$7.00. **(NOTE: this event was rescheduled due to a conflict in the Strand.)**

The November 11th meeting will be our "Arrangers' Challenge" where our members can play their own arrangements of 3 different pieces of music. Members can pick up the music at our September meeting. An open console will follow.

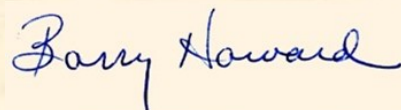
For our showcases this season we will feature three very talented young organists:

Monday March 16th 2020 – **Luke Staisiunas** – Capitol Theatre - 7:00 PM

Sunday April 19th 2020 – **Justin LaVoie** – Howard/Fenner Residence – 3:00 PM

Monday June 15th 2020 – **Dan Minervini** – Capitol Theatre – 7:00 PM

Our usual open console days will be at the Capitol Theatre on Monday January 20, 2020, and Monday February 17, 2020, when members can get some practice time on the Wurlitzer. Our annual Christmas program will be on Tuesday December 10th at Masonic Village in Elizabethtown, PA.



Please Note: If you arrive at the Capitol Theatre after 7:00 PM, you will need to enter from the E. Philadelphia Street door that will be propped open (the door closest to the console). The recent renovations of the Capitol Theatre make it impossible to monitor the lobby area from the theatre, and for security reasons the main doors on S. George Street will have to be locked from now on when the program begins at 7:00 PM.

SVTOS 2019-2020 SEASON

Monday, September 9 7:00 PM	Video: "Korla" (documentary about organist Korla Pandit) and Open Console Capitol Theatre, York, PA
Sunday, October 6* 3:00 PM	Public Concert: Ken Double, Capitol Theatre, York, PA. Two free tickets available for each SVTOS Membership
Monday, November 11 7:00 PM	Arrangers' Challenge (details to follow) and Open Console, Capitol Theatre, York, PA
Tuesday, December 10* 7:00 PM	Annual Christmas Spectacular, Masonic Village, Elizabethtown, PA
Monday, Jan. 20*	Open Console at the Capitol Theatre Wurlitzer, Martin Luther King Day Capitol Theatre, York, PA
Monday, Feb. 17*	Open Console at the Capitol Theatre Wurlitzer, President's Day Capitol Theatre, York, PA
Monday, March 16* 7:00 PM	Luke Staisiunas Showcase, Capitol Theatre, York, PA
Sunday, April 19th* 3:00 PM	Justin LaVoie Showcase, Howard-Fenner residence, Lebanon, PA
Monday, May 11 7:00 PM	Annual SVTOS Business Meeting and Election followed by video about the newly- installed Nathan Barr Wurlitzer (formerly installed in Fox Studios, Hollywood, CA) and Open Console. Capitol Theatre, York, PA
Monday, June 15* 7:00 PM	Dan Minervini Showcase, Capitol Theatre, York, PA

*** Indicates meetings NOT held on the usual second Monday of the month and/or 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.

All Shows \$7.00 unless otherwise noted.

Friday, September 6 @ 6:30 - Roy Wainwright - "Akeelah and the Bee" (FREE)

Friday, September 20, @ 7:00 PM - Don Schoeps - "David Crosby: Remember My Name"

Saturday, September 21 @ 7:00 PM - Bill Autry - "Easy Rider"

Sunday, September 22 @ 3:00 PM - Glenn Hough - "David Crosby: Remember My Name"

Friday, September 27 @ 7:00 PM - Roy Wainwright - "Manhattan Short Film Festival" (\$10.00)

Saturday, September 28 @ 7:00 PM - Larry Fenner - "Manhattan Short Film Festival" (\$10.00)

Sunday, September 29 @ 3:00 PM - Glenn Hough - "Manhattan Short Film Festival" (\$10.00)



"SVTOS Plays at Masonic Village," Elizabethtown, PA

Tuesday October 8 @ 7:00 PM - Gary Coller

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



COMING ATTRACTIONS

Saturday, September 21 7:00 PM	Dave Wickerham, Dickinson Theatre Organ Society , Wilmington, DE
Sunday, September 29 2:00 PM	Tedde Gibson, Theatre Organ Society of the Delaware Valley , Colonial Theatre, Phoenixville, PA
Friday, October 4 7:00 PM	DON KINNIER - First Friday Favorite Theatre Organist Don Kinnier returns to Trinity's organ loft with his kaleidoscopic collection of tibias, trombas, and toy counters. Starring Colleen Moore, "Ella Cinders" is Alfred Green's riotous comedic take on the classic tale of Cinderella. Holy Trinity Lutheran Church , 31 South Duke Street, Lancaster, PA 17602.
Sunday, October 6 3:00 PM	KEN DOUBLE, Capitol Theatre, York, PA Two free tickets available for each SVTOS membership.
Saturday, October 19 2:00 PM	Annual Open House, Dickinson Theatre Organ Society , Wilmington, DE
Friday, October 25 7:00 PM (*NEW DATE*)	DON KINNIER accompanies the Silent Film "Nosferatu," Capitol Theatre , York, PA Admission \$7.00
Sunday, October 27 2:00 PM	Wayne Zimmerman accompanies the Halloween Silent Movie "Nosferatu," Theatre Organ Society of the Delaware Valley , Colonial Theatre, Phoenixville, PA
Sunday, November 17 2:00 PM	Ron Rhode, Theatre Organ Society of the Delaware Valley , Colonial Theatre, Phoenixville, PA
Saturday, November 23 7:00 PM	Hector Olivera, Dickinson Theatre Organ Society , Wilmington, DE
Sunday, December 1 2:00 PM (*New Date*)	Annual Holiday Show with Rudy Lucente and Guests, Theatre Organ Society of the Delaware Valley , Colonial Theatre, Phoenixville, PA
Saturday, December 7 7:00 PM	Holiday Spectacular, Dickinson Theatre Organ Society , Wilmington, DE

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Saturday, January 25 7:00 PM	David Gray, Dickinson Theatre Organ Society , Wilmington, DE
Saturday, March 14 7:00 PM	Jelani Eddington and Donnie Rankin—Dual Consoles, Dickinson Theatre Organ Society , Wilmington, DE
Saturday, March 28 7:00 PM	Saturday At The Silents—John Baratta accompanies popular silent films, Dickinson Theatre Organ Society , Wilmington, DE
Saturday, April 25 7:00 PM	Simon Gledhill and Richard Hills—Dual Consoles, Dickinson Theatre Organ Society , Wilmington, DE
Saturday, April 26 2:00 PM	A Dick Smith Happening, Dickinson Theatre Organ Society , Wilmington, DE
Saturday, June 13 7:00 PM	Peter Richard Conte, Dickinson Theatre Organ Society , Wilmington, DE

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

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