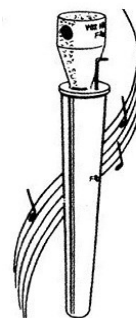
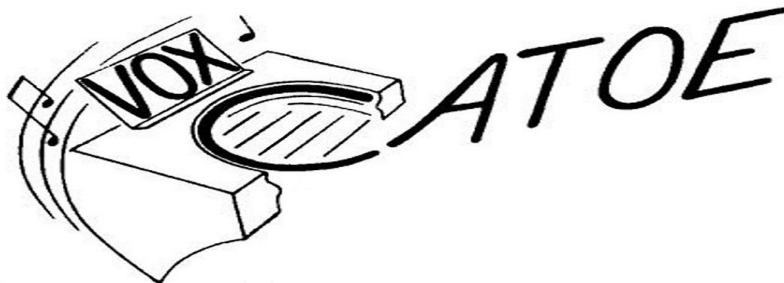


**September  
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## September Events



Our September Social will be held at the Tivoli Theatre in Downers Grove on **SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 25th.** DOORS at 9:30 and program will begin at 10:00 AM

**REMEMBER YOU MUST  
WEAR A MASK!**

Welcome back everyone! Our first social of the year will be held at the Tivoli Theatre, 5021 Highland Avenue in Downers Grove Illinois! Come and hear CATOE's own 3/10 Wurlitzer with **David Rhodes** and Taylor Trimby at the console.

**Please DO NOT bring any refreshments. CATOE will provide water, coffee and treats.**

But DO bring your music and plan to stay after the social and watch the movie or patronize some of the wonderful restaurants and businesses in downtown Downers Grove—or do what I do and go out and watch for the BNSF trains to speed through!

The Tivoli Theatre located at: **5021 Highland Ave. Downers Grove, IL 60515 Phone: 630-968-0219.** It is one block east of Main Street on Highland Avenue. Main street is Lemont Road when coming from the



south suburbs, and is easily reached from I-55 (Stevenson) on the south, Ogden Avenue on the north, and east of Route 53 and the I-355 North/South Toll

## What's Happening in the Area?

Our friends at **JATOE** are having their monthly social on Sunday September 19 with Matt Gerhard at performing on the 4/27 Barton Grande. Matt is from Indiana and is the 1st Vice President of the Central Indiana Chapter (CIC). Special Time for their social — **Doors at 12:30 with the program at 1pm** On the same day **CTOS** will be having Ken Double perform at the Allen Organ Studios. Doors 2:30 program at 3pm. Central Indiana (**CIC**) will feature Pierre Fracalanza at the Warren Performing Arts Center on the 3/18 Barton Grande Sunday September 12 at Noon.



Tedde Gibson, ATOS Chairman participated in the PBS program, "Wicked, The Broadway Musical." He played the 4/38 Wurlitzer accompanying Mario Cantone singing "Wonderful" and it certainly was. It should be repeated several times this month so check out the listing for WTTW if you are in the Chicago Area or check it out on social media.



CATOE is also working on other socials in October/ November and possibly December. Watch here for details!

## ATOS Convention

Dear Fellow Theatre Organ Enthusiast

It seems as if we are “rounding that corner” with regards to COVID and lockdowns and should be back to “normal” soon.

With that in mind, the American Theatre Organ Society 2023 Convention Committee needs to re-start and continue with planning for the Chicagoland convention.

We will have **the best artists** playing **the best theatre organs!** But in order to have **the best convention**, we need to have a great and enthusiastic group of volunteers.

At this moment, I am looking for 4 volunteers to head up 4 committees. These are very important for the planning of the convention and must all work together to have **the best convention**.

The four committee leads are: 1). **Transportation** 2). **Registration** 3). **Hospitality** and 4). **Publicity**.

- 1). **The Transportation Committee Chairperson** will coordinate with the bus company to provide schedules, route maps, loading/unloading points, etc. Will also need to get bus captain(s) for each bus.
- 2). **The Registration Committee Chairperson** will work with the Hotel, Hospitality, Banquet and Publicity Committee Chairman to provide proper information needed for registration, banquet and special needs. All aspects of the registration will be your responsibility. Will also need to get volunteers to help during check in. This is one of the most important and time consuming committees.
- 3). **The Hospitality Committee Chairperson** will work with the hotel, assist the Registration Committee as well as working with the Young Theatre Organist Competition participants to ensure they have transportation to the Tivoli for rehearsal time and if other “special” transportation needs are required.
- 4). **The Publicity Committee Chairperson** will collect photographs necessary for the press releases, create articles for *Theatre Organ* magazine, work with the graphic designer to create the convention brochure and pocket guide. Will also create publicity for the convention in local papers, contact civic leadership for “welcome” letter, secure advertisement in local press for concerts open to the public, reach out for sponsorships, work with the convention reviewer, etc.

These are just some of the highlights and I have a complete rundown of what we need to do in the ATOS Convention Policy & Procedures Handbook (2017 edition v2).

We will begin to meet on a monthly basis (...starting soon...) with the first few meetings going over the handbook and also what has been done so far.

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## More News

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There will be compensation for the committee chairpersons in reduced hotel rates and for the convention (only) registration fee.

If you have any questions **AND** would like to volunteer, please let me know. You can phone or send an email

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Thank you

Taylor Trimby

ATOS 2023 Convention Chairman

**David Rhodes** is back on the bench at the **Tivoli Theatre** on CATOE's 3/10 Wurlitzer each Friday playing before the evening movie. Stop in and enjoy the performance on our Mighty Wurlitzer!

Tours of the **Rialto Theatre** take place each Tuesday at 1:30 pm. Cost for the tour is \$5 per person. Included in the tour is a mini-concert on the Barton Grande .

Starting on September 9 (Ferris Bueller's Day Off) , the Rialto Theatre in Joliet will be back to showing classic movies. Organ prelude from 6:30—7pm. Check out their web site for more details.

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