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BRETT VALLIANT IN CONCERT AT WARREN PAC!
"Who needs an orchestra?" | Sunday, June 9, 2:30pm

About the Show:

On Sunday, June 9, 2013, accomplished Kansas-based theatre organist Brett Valliant will perform a solo show titled, "Who needs an orchestra?", in which he will demonstrate a wide variety of music that is well-suited to the theatre pipe organ, often referred to as the "unit orchestra," featuring such works as "Bohemian Rhapsody," "Overture" to The Thieving Magpie, and music from Les Miserables. The show will take place on Sunday, June 9, 2013 at 2:30pm at Warren Performing Arts Center, home of the Dessa and Virginia Byrd Memorial Barton Theatre Pipe Organ originally installed in the Indiana Theatre downtown.

Tickets are $12 presale, $15 at the door. Student tickets are FREE at the door. Visit www.cicatos.org to order tickets, or call (317) 255-8056. The concert will take place at Warren Performing Arts Center, located at 9500 E. 16th St., Indianapolis, part of the Warren Central High School Complex. Plentiful free parking is available.

About Brett Valliant:

Brett Valliant is an American organist in demand for his ability to perform many different genres of music on the instrument he loves. Whether at an organ in a concert hall, a majestic church organ on Sunday morning, a mighty Wurlitzer in a theatre, or a Hammond B-3, Brett is right at home. Critics internationally have defined his performances as "exciting," "refreshing," "unorthodox, and astonishing."

Brett studied organ at Wichita State University, and he has been a featured performer on National Public Radio's Pipe Dreams as well as the National Bible Broadcasting Network where his imaginative hymn arrangements are heard daily throughout the United States.

He has toured extensively as a solo artist, featured soloist with orchestras, and film accompanist abroad and throughout the United States.

For his innovative approach to musicianship and performance, Brett credits his love and passion for rock 'n' roll, classical, jazz, and popular music.

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President's Message

By Tim Needler

From the sound of things, everyone thoroughly enjoyed Justin Stahl's fine program at Manual in early May! And I heard there were more people there than usual, which also is good news. We thank Justin for preparing such an excellent performance and very much look forward to having him on our line-up of artists for the upcoming ATOS 2014 Convention that CIC will be hosting in July of next year. Elsewhere in this newsletter is the ad that CIC is running in this year's convention program in Atlanta, and you'll see that we are planning a great line-up of organs, venues and artists.

But before all of that, we have an exciting artist scheduled to perform for us at Warren Performing Arts Center on the second Sunday of June. Brett Valliant has made quite a fine name for himself as a concert artist and has been playing the organ (both classical and theatre) since a very early age. He will present a great program for us, and if you haven't bought your advance sale tickets yet, give me a call and reserve yours. We can take VISA or Mastercard over the phone, and buying in advance saves you $3 over the at-the-door price of $15. So, give me a call anytime (since I finally retired, I'm home most of the time) with your credit card ready, and I'll take all the information over the phone (safer than doing it via e-mail) and will mail you your ticket(s) so that you won't have to stand in line. We try to make it as easy as possible because we want you to attend the June 9th program. You'll be glad you did!

I hope many of you are planning to attend the Atlanta Convention. If you are going and would be interested in sharing a ride, contact CIC member John Goulding who is looking for some people to go along with him and another friend. John's phone number is 317-972-0506.

Because of the Atlanta convention that many of our members will be attending, we are not having a meeting in July. Stay tuned for word on the August meeting!

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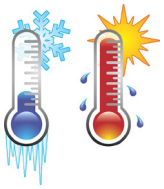

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Meeting Minutes

By Mike Rolfe

May 5, 2013 2:30 PM
Manual High School – Indianapolis, IN

First Vice-president Michael Fellenzer convened the May CIC business meeting and thanked Principal Byron Ernest and Director of Fine Arts Spencer Lloyd for allowing us to meeting in the auditorium, and IPS Building Engineer Keith Fondaw for adjusting the HVAC system for our meeting today. He also thanked Carlton Smith for preparing the organ for the meeting.

Minutes of the previous meeting (April 7, 2013) were included with the May CIPHERS. No corrections or additions were noted, and the minutes were approved as printed.

Shawn Chase presented the Treasurer's report for the month of April describing account balances and transactions.

OLD BUSINESS

A. Michael reminded members about the 2013 ATOS Convention in Atlanta, GA. The dates are Tuesday, July 2, (with optional Prelude in Chattanooga, TN, on Monday, July 1) through Friday, July 5, and optional Finale in South Georgia on Saturday, July 6. The convention hotel is the luxurious J. W. Marriott at a great rate of $119 plus tax. Complete details are available in the Jan/Feb Theatre Organ Journal.

B. Aeolian-Hammond advertised in May CIPHERS. If no takers in CIC, we will advertise it shortly on eBay.
There was no New Business

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. Name Badges. Please keep in glove compartment and wear at meetings and concerts. Contact Tim for a replacement if lost or misplaced.

B. Future Meetings and Concerts:

May 12, Embassy Theatre, Buddy Nolan Memorial Concert: Jelani Eddington at 2:00 p.m.

June 9, Concert: Brett Valliant at Warren Performing Arts Center, 2:30 p.m.

No July Meeting due to ATOS Convention in Atlanta

The August CIC meeting will be at Warren Peroforming Arts Center with Justin LaVoie, a rising star and student of Jelani Eddington, on August 11.

September Concert at Warren Performing Arts Center: Pierre Fracalanza

With no additional business, Michael adjourned the business portion of the meeting and introduced the artist for the day, Justin Stahl. Justin presented an enjoyable program on the Manual H.S. Wurlitzer.

Respectfully submitted,

Mike Rolfe, Recording Secretary pro tem

The console of "Mighty Mo," the 4/42 Möller theatre organ in Atlanta's Fox Theatre. The instrument will be featured extensively at the ATOS Annual Convention at the beginning of this July. For more info, visit www.atosatlanta2013.org.

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2013 Event Calendar

June 1 | 7:30pm
CONCERT: Annual Ken Double Variety Show
Long Center, Lafayette

June 9, 2013 | 2:30pm
CIC CONCERT: Brett Valliant
Warren Performing Arts Center, Indianapolis

August 11, 2013 | 2:30pm
CIC SOCIAL: Justin LaVoie
Warren Performing Arts Center, Indianapolis

September 8, 2013 | 2:30pm
CIC CONCERT: Pierre Fracalanza
Warren Performing Arts Center, Indianapolis

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