

River City Theatre Organ Society



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NEXT RCTOS MONTHLY MEETING

Sunday, October 16, 2016

3:00 PM

Doors open at 2:30 pm

Guests Welcome

Mount View Presbyterian Church

5308 Hartman Avenue – Omaha, NE

Guest Artist: GREG OWEN

Greg Owen hails from Massapequa, New York and has played theatre organ concerts all over the USA. At home with electronic organs as well as pipe organs, he brings a unique style to the bench. A self taught musician, he has developed his own way of organ playing that includes influences such as Jesse Crawford, Lyn Larsen, and Jim Roseveare to name a few. In August of last year, he performed at the Kansas City Music Hall on the Big Robert Morton theatre pipe organ from the Midland theatre. He has also played our wonderful organ at the Rose Theatre as well. This year he will play at the Durham Museum for their Annual Christmas Celebration at Union Station on 12/20/2016 (Tue.7:30pm - 8:00pm), a performance you will not want to miss. Last year he brought his instrument for the event at Union Station and the organ sounded wonderful in that room. A collector of electronic organs, he has amassed about 32 organs thus far including some very impressive and notable vintage organs. For our event for RCTOS, he will be playing one of his custom instruments including the latest addition, an Allen Ensemble MIDI unit that has theatre as



well as classical The combination of his many instruments together is a sound you will not want to miss hearing. He will feature a few of his instruments for our group. Greg is a RCTOS member.

Happy Birthday

September 22 – Carol Johnson

October 16 – Bob Welch

October 18 – Greg Owen

October 25 – Michael Young

October 28 – Gail Hennings

November 11 – Jim Boston

November 29 – Ed Hurd

Welcome New Members

Mildred Mullen, John Whelton, Don & Eve

Donlan, Barbara Thompson – Omaha

Don & Mary Cox - Lincoln

UPCOMING EVENTS

DECEMBER 4 – Markworth Residence

Christmas Pot Luck

Guest Artist: Jonathan Ortloff

50/50 – Bob Erickson - \$34 / RCTOS - \$34

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SEPTEMBER 18 PROGRAM REPORT

Martin Ellis was the guest artist at the Markworth Residence for the September Chapter meeting and pot luck. Martin is known for his innovative approach to the theatre pipe organ with his intricate arrangements. Martin's program was well received and members and guests really appreciated his artistry. After his appearance in Omaha, Martin is on this way to entertain an Australian audience



River City Theatre Organ Society Minutes

The River City Theatre Organ Society September 18, 2016 was held at the Markworth Residence in Omaha, NE with featured artist Martin Ellis. This was the chapter's annual fall pot luck. Thanks to Bob Markworth for always providing the best in theatre organ artists, the main dish and his home for RCTOS members and guests.

Officers present: President Bob Markworth, Vice-President Jeanne Sabatka, Secretary/Treasurer Jerry Pawlak, Board Members: Frank Sabatka, Gregory Johnson, Sandy Rockwood
President Bob Markworth opened the meeting and welcomed members and guests.

The Treasurer Report was read and accepted with a motion by Don Tucker and seconded by James Boston

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The next meeting will be held on Sunday, October 16, 2016 at the Mount View Presbyterian Church with guest artist Greg Owen.

A financial report was presented by Secretary/Treasurer Jerry Pawlak. Financially the event was very successful with a profit of \$2145. However, statistics show that 1/3 of the membership did not participate in ticket sales or promote the event. Fortunately door ticket sales were far above expectation. Due to the financial success of the event RCTOS Membership Dues will remain at \$10/Year/Family/Individual Membership.

The very talented organist Jonathan Ortloff from Boston will be the guest artist at the Markworth Residence on Sunday, December 4th for the chapter's annual Christmas Pot Luck.

Martin Ellis performed: OLYMPIC FANFARE, MIDNIGHT IN MAYFAIR, MISTY, SING, BOTH SIDES NOW, DOWNTOWN, GIN & TONIC'S MASH UP (EVELUTION OF MUSIC), SENTIMENTAL OVER YOU, FARRAGO, MARCH OF THE BOWMEN AND SLAUGHTER ON TENTH AVENUE. Videos of Martin's performance are available on our website as well as on YouTube. www.rctos.com

Respectfully submitted,
Secretary, Jerry Pawlak

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