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COMING UP:

Member's Days: Sun 1 Oct 2017
Sun 5 Nov 2017
Nathan Avakian Concert:

Nathan Avakian Com-THURS 9 Nov 2017 Christmas Luncheon: Sun 3 Dec 2017

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UPCOMING EVENTS:

First Sunday of each month: Member's Days. Free admission to a relaxing afternoon of theatre organ and piano music.

Thursday 9 November 2017: NATHAN AVAKIAN from USA: Nathan was the 2009 winner of the ATOS Young Theatre Organist competition and he returns to Perth on his second Australian tour. A young and extremely talented performer who will present a dazzling musical extravaganza. This will be a show not to be missed. Note that it is on a weekday – but those of you who came to Dave Wickerham's midweek concert can be assured that this will be another concert of similar high quality.

Sunday 3 December 2017: CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON: Our Christmas Luncheon will be held on Sunday 3 December. The cost will be \$35 per person for a fully catered, sit down meal. The booking form is included at the back of this newsletter.

29 September – 1 October 2018: TOSA(WA) 50th Anniversary. Featuring Tony Fenelon, John Atwell, Chris McPhee and Rosanne Hoskins plus others in a weekend of celebrations. Full details available in this *Tremulant*.

FROM THE PRESIDENT

This Tremulant has been produced a little earlier than normal, because there are so many events coming up, which we need to keep you aware of.

Firstly, on Wednesday 1 November, we are handing out flyers about TOSA and the Nathan Avakian concert at the HAVE A GO day. If you are able to come down for an hour and help out, then please see Rodney.

Then, just a week later on THURSDAY 9 November, we look forward to having NATHAN AVAKIAN present a concert for us. Nathan is one of the younger organists on the USA scene, and he is one of the finest. One of Nathan's interests is silent films and the International Youth Silent Film Festival. The International Youth Silent Film Festival challenges filmmakers 20 years old or younger to create an original, three-minute silent film to one of ten theatre organ soundtracks composed by Nathan Avakian. Finalists' films are judged by Hollywood celebrities and publicly screened with live theatre organ accompaniment. Nathan Avakian is an extremely creative and technically-versed theatre organist and this will be a highlight concert for 2017. This is a concert that you do not want to miss.

NATHAN AVAKIAN in concert



THURSDAY 9 November 2017 - 2:00pm

For tickets, visit www.trybooking.com/RECL

It might seem ages away, but Christmas is again rushing towards us. Once again, we are planning a Christmas Luncheon on Sunday 3 December. This will be the usual sitdown meal – fully catered – with three courses of food plus organ music and carols. A booking form is at the end of this *Tremulant* newsletter.

News of Members: Firstly, it is with sadness that we report the passing of Joe Hegney. Joe was very involved over many years, including being editor of the *Tremulant* from 2001 to mid 2004. There is however, a constant reminder of Joe on stage at every concert. The wooden stand which supports our plant was made by Joe Hegney sometime in the mid 1990s.

Whilst on the subject of reminders about people, the TV screen and the Capture Action system on the organ were made possible by a bequest from the late Mr Nemo Williams. A plaque acknowledging this gift has now been attached to the organ, near the capture system display panel.

Also, there are a number of our members have not been well, some having been hospitalised - we wish you all a speedy recovery.

Another reminder that coming up in 2018 we are planning a weekend of celebrations to mark our fiftieth anniversary. We have invited members from other divisions across Australia to join with us and people from South Australia and New South Wales have been quick to register interest. Concerts over the weekend will include performances from Tony Fenelon, John Atwell, Chris McPhee and vocal soloist Rosanne Hoskins. The anniversary celebrations will be held on the weekend of 29 and 30 September and 1 October 2018. Registration details are now available from our website at www.tosawa.org.au and via this issue of the Tremulant.

Rodney Raymond PRESIDENT



NATHAN AVAKIAN in concert



John Leckie Pavilion 25 Melvista Avenue (Corner Loton Road) NEDLANDS THURSDAY 9 November 2017 - 2:00pm

For more information and tickets, visit www.tosawa.org.au

The 2009 winner of the ATOS Young Theatre Organist competition comes to Perth on his second Australian tour. Nathan Avakian is a multi-talented musician with specialised interests and experience in organ performance, musical arrangement and composition, and lighting design and silent films.

His fascination with the theatre organ began at age four with a visit to the Portland Organ Grinder Restaurant. He began formal organ studies at age eleven and was winner of the American Theatre Organ Society Young Organist Competition in 2009. Since then, Nathan has provided theatre organ entertainment across the United States as well as internationally. In 2011 he completed a six-week concert tour of Australia and New Zealand. That same year he released his first album, Outside The Box, featuring both theatre and classical pipe organs as well as virtual orchestrations.

Now he returns to Perth for one concert only during yet another Australian and NZ tour associated with the International Youth Silent Film Festival. A young and extremely talented performer who will present a dazzling musical extravaganza. This will be a show not to be missed. The concert will conclude by 4:00pm with afternoon tea available at interval.

Tickets are \$22 (adult), \$20 (conc) and \$15 (members). For tickets, visit www.trybooking.com/RECL or get them at the door



TOSA (WA) CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON 3th DECEMBER, 2017

Members and Guests are invited to a fully catered, sit-down Christmas Luncheon with accompaniment of Organ and Piano music and Carols.

The TOSA (WA) Christmas Luncheon will be held in the John Leckie Memorial Pavilion, 25 Melvista Ave., Nedlands on Sunday 3 December, 2017, starting with Drinks at **12:30 pm** and then a sit-down Christmas Luncheon at 1:00. The cost (with subsidy) is \$35 per person.

Please feel free to bring Guests, as we need at least 40 attending. For catering purposes, we need to know firm numbers by Friday 24 November.

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