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## What's New?

### Metropolis with our own Scott Smith

Join us on November 21<sup>st</sup>. at 8 pm for the epic film "Metropolis." *Metropolis* is a 1927 German expressionist science-fiction drama film directed by Fritz Lang. Written by Thea von Harbou in collaboration with Lang,<sup>[5][6]</sup> it stars Gustav Fröhlich, Alfred Abel, Rudolf Klein-Rogge and Brigitte Helm. Erich Pommer produced it in the Babelsberg Studios for Universum Film A.G. (UFA). The silent film is regarded as a pioneering science-fiction movie, being among the first feature-length movies of that genre.<sup>[7]</sup> Filming took place over 17 months in 1925–26 at a cost of more than five million Reichsmarks.<sup>[8]</sup>

Scott Smith is no stranger to the Detroit Theater Organ Society. Not only is he on the organ maintenance committee he is also a trustee.

He has concertized for many years throughout the Midwest and for us on several occasions as well. He is also no stranger in the art of accompanying silent movies. His deft touch definitely makes the screen come

alive so please plan on joining us for this epic film and an evening of great music!

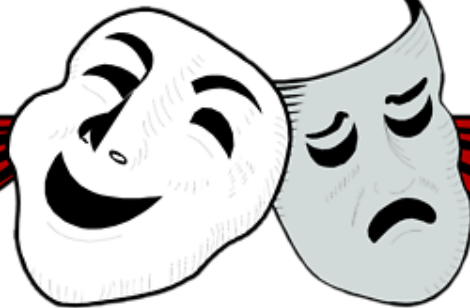


## Holiday Concert is on!

Please join us for our annual Holiday concert on December 6<sup>th</sup>. At 3pm featuring Lance Luce at the Wurlitzer. Due to the COVID restrictions, we won't be doing the usual "goodie table". Please plan on attending and catching up with friends we haven't seen for far too long.

Lance Luce is an internationally acclaimed theatre organist. He has played hundreds of concerts all over the United States, Canada, England and Australia. Lance began playing the theatre pipe organ at age 10 at the Royal Oak Theatre near his Michigan home. By age 13 he was playing at that same theatre for intermissions. At age 18, Lance won 1st place honors in the Yamaha National Electone organ competition in California. The next year he was appointed the Head Staff Organist at Radio City Music Hall in New York, on the largest Wurlitzer ever built. Lance was the featured organist at several restaurants including the Organ Grinder in Toronto. He had many recordings to his credit. Lance has been a church organ consultant in Michigan since 1991. Currently he is the church organ consultant for Allen Organs for Evola Music. Lance has designed and installed more than 350 organs in churches, homes and institutions. His background includes pipe organ repair and building, as well as electronic organ design, installation, voicing and pipe interfacing. Lance is one of the organists at the Redford Theatre and Michigan Theater in Ann Arbor. He is the organist at Cross of Christ Church in Bloomfield Hills. He is also on the staff at the Detroit Fox Theatre and is Head Organist at Little Caesars Arena for the Detroit Red Wings.





## Back Stage Happenings.

### Merchandise.

And just in time for the holidays. We have shirts, hats, patches, posters and sunglasses all at great prices. Visit the gift store at the Theater or visit "[senatetheater.com](http://senatetheater.com)" for more details.





Coming in 2020

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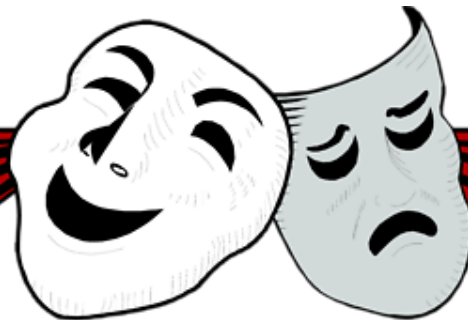
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### Breaking COVID-19 News!

The State of Michigan has issued a directive in battling the spread of the COVID pandemic. Part of that directive is that all theaters must close for 3 weeks starting on November 18<sup>th</sup>. The DTOS must either cancel or postpone all silent movies, regular movies and concerts until further notice due to this directive. We all thought the worst was behind us and your board made plans for events accordingly. Unfortunately, things have not worked out as we had hoped they would. Updates will be forthcoming as new information becomes available. Please stay safe and keep you and your families healthy. See you soon.



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