



# COLUMBIA RIVER CLARION

Columbia River Theatre Organ Society

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## CRTOS HOLIDAY PARTY

December 8th 2012



This year's Holiday Party will be a little different! It begins with a catered luncheon at the First United Methodist Church in Portland. Following the food and deserts, Jonas Nordwall will give a short demonstration of the Mary L. Collins pipe organ in the sanctuary, followed by an open console session! The FUMC organ has been growing for many years under the direction of Jonas Nordwall, who serves on our Board of Directors. It is not only a wonderful church instrument, it also contains a full theatre organ within its ranks.

We will then travel to Lou Paff's residence for some refreshments and open console time on his 4-manual virtual organ (pictured below). The evening will conclude at Robert Kingdom's residence with more open console time on his 3-manual virtual organ (also pictured below).

The church is easily reached via public transit, but the later crawl destinations will require a car (car pooling encouraged). See directions at the bottom of this page.

Doors open at noon. Cost is \$10 per person. RSVP is mandatory. Reservations can be sent to [president@crtos.org](mailto:president@crtos.org) or by phone (503)492-4102. Please include number of people in party. Cash or Check only.

### DIRECTIONS

**1. Begin at Noon at First United Methodist Church:** 1838 Southwest Jefferson Street, Portland, OR

Google Maps: <http://goo.gl/maps/15i1h>

*Note: We may direct you to one or the other of these first, in order to avoid crowding:*

**2. Paff Residence: 4235 SW 103rd Ct, Beaverton, OR:**

**From FUMC** go west on the Sunset Hwy, take the Canyon Road exit. Continue to SW 102<sup>nd</sup> Avenue and turn left. Turn right on Kennedy Street, and turn right onto SW 103<sup>rd</sup> Court.

**From TV Hwy** take Canyon Rd (East) (Rt. 8). Turn Right on SW 102<sup>nd</sup> Ave. Turn Right onto Kennedy St. Turn Right onto 103<sup>rd</sup> Ct.

Phone: 503-646-2023 • Google Maps: <http://goo.gl/maps/FQSc9>

**3. Kingdom Residence: 333 NE 9th Pl, Hillsboro, OR:**

Take Hwy 26 (Sunset) to either NW Cornell Rd or Cornelius Pass Rd. If heading West, exit and cross over the freeway. If you take Cornelius Pass Rd stay on the road until you reach Cornell Rd, at which time you'd turn Right onto Cornell. Continue on Cornell past the airport and then look for Jackson St. Turn Right onto Jackson and then Right onto NE 9<sup>th</sup> Pl.

Phone: 503-648-2982 • Google Maps: <http://goo.gl/maps/wk3KX>

### MARK YOUR CALENDAR

**12/8/12**

CRTOS Holiday Party  
FUMChurch of Portland, noon

**12/16/12**

Jonas Nordwall, Pops of the Season  
FUMChurch of Portland

**12/13/12**

Cleveland High Winter Choral Concert  
Cleveland High School, 7:00 pm

**12/19/12**

Open Console, **4:30 pm - 6:30 pm**  
Hollywood Theatre

**1/16/13**

Open Console, 10:15 am - noon  
Hollywood Theatre

**1/22/13**

CRTOS Board Meeting, 7pm  
Izzy's at Gateway

**No December Board Meeting**



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## CRTOS Business Meeting Minutes

October, 23 2012

President Jack Powers called the meeting to order at 7pm.

Those present were: Jack Powers, Stuart Hall, Bo Vernier, Gary Nelson, Paul Tichy, Mike Bryant, Steve Jarvis, Terry Robson and Max Brown.

The treasurer's report was presented and accepted.

We approved a payment to Bob MacNeur of \$40.00 for dump fees.

The KVM has been tested in the Beverly Ruth Nelson Organ in the Hollywood and is working fine.

We discussed liability insurance and approved spending up to \$300.00 for a year's premium.

We agreed to send \$100.00 to the memorial fund at the Balboa Theatre in memory of Chris Gorsuch.

We discussed various venues for the Holiday Party with no conclusion.

We agreed not to have a December Board meeting. If we have urgent business we can meet at the Holiday Party.

The meeting was adjourned at 8pm.

*Max Brown, Secretary*

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## Console to Good Home

Pictured below is a circa 1929 Guenther organ console. The Bethany Baptist Church has used it in 2 of its churches since then. Console, only, is available if anybody has a use for it, for no charge, of course. Church office may be contacted at 503-648-5030.

Contact Bud (503 292 1334) with any questions.



## Monthly CRTOS Board Meeting

4th Tuesday of the month

Izzy's Restaurant at  
the Gateway Shopping Center  
1307 NE 102nd. Ave., PDX  
7 PM (no-host dinner at 6:30)

*All members are encouraged to attend.*

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## ACCH and Ocean Grove Organ Update

Good news for two of the Jersey Shore organs after hurricane Sandy. First, on November 4th, Carl Loeser and Eric Dolch got a chance to inspect the organs at Boardwalk Hall. They reported that they were completely unaffected by Hurricane Sandy.

The other, the Hope-Jones in Ocean Grove also escaped damage, though the auditorium roof evidently didn't. After four hours spent checking every nook and cranny of the Great Auditorium's 11,358-pipe Hope-Jones organ, curator John Shaw pronounced it "fine."

The Columbia River Theatre Organ Society is a non-profit, educational organization dedicated to the preservation of the theatre organ and its music.



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# Wind Supply

First, I hope everyone had a happy Thanksgiving!

## *December Open Console*

We are making the monthly Open Console at the Hollywood Theatre more accessible to working folks in December by changing the time to early evening. We have access to the theatre between 4:30 PM and 6:30 PM (Wednesday, December 19 only). I hope this will make it easier for members and guests to attend. Please note the change.

The Hollywood Theatre is located at 4122 Northeast Sandy Boulevard in Portland, and Open Console takes place on the 3rd Wednesday of each month. Please enter via the “birdcage” side door on the East side of the building (facing NE 41st Place), which will be left slightly ajar. Just pull on the gate and proceed straight ahead through the auditorium door, the organ console is inside near that door. NE 41st Place is a narrow 1-way street which may be entered from Sandy Boulevard, and it often has free (2-hour) parking spaces near the “birdcage” door.

## *First Pipes Proposal*

We have proposed adding the first real pipes to the Beverly Ruth Nelson Memorial Organ at the Hollywood

Theatre. Engineering of the proposal to place a rank of recently completed 16’ diaphones on the stage behind the screen has begun. The project includes a blower in the basement large enough for a full pipe organ. We have an estimate for the electrical wiring for the blower, and the chests are almost ready. The pipe chambers are still subject to water leaks, but the stage area and the blower location in the basement are dry.

The organ console is designed to use digital samples (“Virtual Pipes”) and real pipes in any combination of ranks. The virtual sounds are excellent, but we hope to add real pipes over time as the building condition permits. The diaphones would be the beginning of this process. Stay tuned (no pun intended) for more news.

## *Holiday Party Planned*

Details on our annual Holiday Party should have already arrived via email blast. The information is also available in this issue. This year’s event will be a bit different!

*Jack Powers, President*

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## Coming In January The First Oscars Silent Film Series

