



YEAR IN REVIEW

2023/2024



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July, 2024

Dear Friends of the Troy Savings Bank Music Hall,

Reflecting on the past season fills me with gratitude for our collective achievements at the Troy Savings Bank Music Hall. It has been a year of record-breaking ticket sales and exceptional performances – all of which has deepened community connections through the power of music.

Enclosed you'll find a recap of our season which was filled with a variety of performances from classical, world, and jazz to comedy, country and pop. In addition, through innovative programming and partnerships, we've ensured that the joy of live music reaches beyond our walls into many corners of our community.

None of this would be possible without the support of ticket buyers, donors, partners, volunteers, and friends. Your passion and generosity have driven every success. Together, we've strengthened our cultural landmark and enriched our community.

Looking ahead, we are excited for the future. We announced a transformative project, Renaissance 150, which is now underway and another packed season is shaping up ahead. We look forward to seeing you over the summer at our free, outdoor concerts, and back inside this fall.

Thank you for being part of our journey.

Warm regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jon", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Executive Director



OUR COMMITMENT

MISSION STATEMENT

Enrich the community and inspire passion for the creative arts by fostering diverse, engaging, inclusive, and transformative cultural experiences through performances, collaboration, community events, and education.

VALUES STATEMENT

We value, encourage, support, and celebrate diverse backgrounds and cultures and the artistic expression of those backgrounds and cultures. In keeping with our mission to enrich the community and inspire passion for the creative arts, we will engender this by fostering diverse, engaging, inclusive, and transformative cultural experiences through performances, collaboration, community events, education, board representation and staffing in an accessible environment.



PERFORMANCE HIGHLIGHTS

102

Music Hall
Presented
Concerts

..... ❖

50,000

Visitors

..... ❖

6,230+

Music Hall
Collector Cups Sold

The Weight
Macy Gray
Pat Metheny
Ben Folds

The Wooten Brothers w/ Rebirth Brass Band

Jake Shimabukuro

Lyle Lovett and Chris Isaak

The Knights with Chris Thile

John Mulaney

Brian Fallon

Preservation Hall Jazz Band

Paul Winter Consort

Hannah Berner

Cat Power Sings Dylan

Croce plays Croce

Jazz at Lincoln Center with Wynton Marsalis

National Symphony Orchestra of the Ukraine

Taylor Dayne

Ladysmith Black Mambazo

The High Kings and Gaelic Storm

Nickel Creek

The Chapin Family

Colin Hay

Leslie Odom, Jr.

Emo Orchestra

The Wailin' Jennys

Mike Birbiglia



PERFORMANCE HIGHLIGHTS...

10,000+

Beads used for Let's Sing Taylor
pre-show bracelet event

..... ❖

50+

Piano Tunings

..... ❖

5

Stage Extension Installations



FREE PROGRAMS



MUSIC @ NOON

**FREE CONCERTS THE 2ND TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH DURING
THE SEASON – SINCE 1988!**

Featuring:
Lost Radio Rounders
Carl Gutowski & Yalin Chi
Alan Goldberg
Heliand Consort
CelloGayageum
Drank the Gold
Yvonne Chavez Hansbrough, Young Kim, & Paul Quigley
Spira
Findlay Cockrell



SUMMER SQUARE

**FREE OUTDOOR CONCERTS RIGHT OUTSIDE OUR DOORS ON
2ND STREET IN JULY AND AUGUST**

Featuring:
Dust Bowl Fairies
Bronte Roman
Carol Daggs
Julia Alsarraf
Ida Mae Specker
Triskele
Aiva & Hayley
Jeanne O'Connor Quartet



BARKER PARK

**FREE KIDS SUMMER CONCERT SERIES IN BARKER PARK AT THE
CORNER OF STATE AND 3RD STREETS**

Featuring:
Jordan Taylor Hill
Ragtime Wind Jammers
Ellen Sinopoli Dance Co.
Andy the Music Man
Heard World Jazz
DJ Hollyw8d
Watch Reggie Run
Troy Police Department





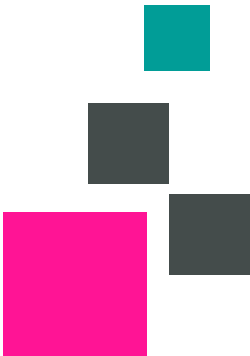
THE LIFT SERIES



ORGAN
COLOSSAL

CURATED BY ORGAN COLOSSAL

The audience is invited to be seated on stage, with the musicians, creating an intimate concert experience



Sophia Subbayya Vastek
Connor Armbruster & Ian Cotter Wishlist
Aubrey Haddard & MAYSUN
Rafiq Bhatia

RENTALS & RECORDINGS

65

COMMUNITY USES



185

DAYS OF ACTIVITY
IN THE HALL



COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS:

Albany Symphony Orchestra
Empire State Youth Orchestra
Albany Pro Musica
Live Nation
Berkshire Bach Society
LaSalle Institute
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
City of Troy Mayor Mantello State of the City Address
Hispanic Flamenco Ballet
Troy Housing Authority
Northeast Chapter American Institute of Architects
Capital Region Chamber Ambassadors
Colonie Senior Services

CO-PROMOTIONS:

Boston Early Music Festival
Musicians of Ma'alwyck
Paul Winter Consort
Emery Entertainment
Opera Saratoga

RECORDINGS:

Marilyn Nonken/NYU
Albany Symphony
Patrick Smith/Virginia Commonwealth University



ARTS IN EDUCATION PROGRAMS

122

UNISON FAMILIES
FROM 33 SCHOOLS



84+

EDUCATION
PROGRAMS



1,750

STUDENTS

SERVED ACROSS 22 DISTRICTS



2023-2024

ARTS IN EDUCATION
TEACHING ARTISTS

Jordan Taylor Hill
Quintocracy Wind Quintet
Ellen Sinopoli Dance Company
Heard Ensemble
Hana Van Der Kolk
Lucy Nelligan
Jessica Bowen
Brian Brancato
Oona Grady
Mario Johnson
Julia Alsarraf
Seth Parker Woods

Barker Park Kids' Concert Series, Summer 2023
Over 350 students and families attended the series held in Barker Park last summer, including summer camp students from the Boys & Girls Club of Troy!

Etude Student Volunteer Program

Students work with our front of house staff to ensure all patrons have a safe and enjoyable experience at our performances. Students volunteered at 66% of performances this year, with an average of 3 student volunteers per show.

Jordan Taylor Hill

34 unique workshops this season! 9 schools and 2 community organizations participated, including:
Troy City School District
Green Island School District
Lansingburgh School District
Connect Center for Youth

Strings Club with Jessica Bowen

Students at Robert C. Parker School participated in a 12-week long Strings Club. Students participated in a chamber ensemble, learning works from classical and popular genres like folk and bluegrass.

Guitar Club with Lucy Nelligan

Lansingburgh Middle School students participated in an 8-week long Guitar Club led by teaching artist, Lucy Nelligan! Students learned basic guitar technique through songwriting and performing!

HEARD Residency

Over 550 students from North Colonie Schools participated in this workshop where students learned about and experienced world music!

ARTS IN EDUCATION PROGRAMS...

KATIE THE STRONGEST OF THE STRONG:

In March, 2024, 150 students in kindergarten through eighth grade attended a matinee performance of the one act children's opera: Katie, the Strongest of the Strong. Presented by Troy Savings Bank Music Hall and Opera Saratoga, students from Troy City School District, Brunswick-Brittonkill School District, and Redemption Christian Academy attended.

CELLOGAYAGEUM

In February, 2024, over 350 students in grades kindergarten through fifth grade attended a pre-show educational hour and Music@Noon performance with CelloGayaguem. Students learned about the traditional Korean instrument, gayageum, sang along to traditional Korean folk music, and observed the unique fusion of western and eastern styles in their performance.

SPIRA INSTRUMENT PETTING ZOO

In April, 2024, over 30 students enjoyed a pre-show instrument petting zoo and demonstration with members of Spira. Thanks to support from John Keal Music Company, students worked with the musicians and had the opportunity to experience playing the cello, viola, violin, and explore the Steinway piano on the Troy Savings Bank Music Hall stage.

MAKING MUSIC WITH THE COMMUNITY



MAKE MUSIC DAY TROY 2024

MAKE MUSIC DAY IS A WORLD WIDE CELEBRATION OF LIVE MUSIC ON THE SUMMER SOLSTICE.

WE ARE PROUD TO COORDINATE AND HOST MAKE MUSIC DAY TROY THROUGH THE CITY.

Featuring:
Instrument Show, Tell & Play at Troy Public Library
Lansingburgh Branch
TRIP Community Classroom Drumming and Dance Circle
with Jordan Taylor Hill
Musical Relics at the Hart Cluett Museum
Young Artist's Stage at Troy Music Academy
Community Stage, at Oakwood Community Center
WEXT Radio presents Make Music Day Walking Tour
"Under the Mural" with Troy Samba
"Under the Mural" with Tiny Van Concerts
No Fun After Party



KALEIDESCAPE

THIS PROJECT WAS BORN TO PROVIDE LOCAL ARTISTS AN OPPORTUNITY NOT ONLY TO PERFORM AT THE TROY SAVINGS BANK MUSIC HALL, BUT WRITE MUSIC INSPIRED BY THE HISTORIC BUILDING.



HIP HOP 50TH ANNIVERSARY NIGHT

IN OCTOBER WE HOSTED AN EVENING OF HIP HOP MUSIC IN CELEBRATION OF THE ITS 50TH ANNIVERSARY, FEATURING LOCAL

HIP HOP ARTISTS:

Victory Soul Orchestra
JB!! aka. Dirty Moses
KATANI
Ohzhe
DJ Nate da Great
Shiloh the Messenger & Mundy

Featuring:
Buggy Jive
Zan and the Winter Folk
E-Block
Sara Ayers
Ohzhe
Sam Torres
Patrick Purke



LOOKING AHEAD



WE HAVE STARTED TO PLAN OUR UPCOMING 2024-25 SEASON.

HIGHLIGHTS:

American Patchwork Quartet- September 27th at 7:30 PM

Classic Albums Live: Abbey Road - October 3rd at 7:30 PM

Victor Wooten & The Wooten Brothers - October 7th at 7:30 PM

Kathleen Madigan - October 11th at 7:30 PM

Troy Chromatic Concerts Australian Chamber Orchestra - October 22nd at 7:30 PM

Paula Poundstone- October 25th at 7:30 PM

Troy Chromatic Concerts Orpheus Chamber Orchestra - November 3rd at 3:00 PM

Nick Carter - November 6th at 7:30 PM

Troy Chromatic Concerts Renaissance Quartet - November 23rd at 4:00 PM

Alan Cumming Uncut - December 1st at 7:00PM

Giggly Squad Live - December 4th at 7:00 & 9:30PM

Troy Chromatic Concerts Steven Isserlis - February 4th, 2025 at 7:30PM

MORE 2024-25 PERFORMANCES TO BE ANNOUNCED SOON!



TROY CHROMATIC CONCERTS

BE MOVED! The 127th season of Troy Chromatic Concerts presenting world-class musicians in our world-class space! Prelude conversations will return for this season.



AUSTRALIAN CHAMBER ORCHESTRA
October 22nd, 2024



ORPHEUS CHAMBER ORCHESTRA
November 3rd, 2024



RENAISSANCE QUARTET
November 23rd, 2024



STEVEN ISSERLIS
February 4th, 2025



DIVERSITY EQUITY INCLUSION & BELONGING

We are committed to the principles of Diversity, Equity, Inclusion and Belonging, addressing barriers to participation and providing access to our programs, recognizing that not everyone has the same circumstances and resources. In the past year our team developed organizational priorities with strategies to ensure we provide both a programmatic and work environment that are safe spaces for self-expression, places of belonging, and gathering. The core pillars of these goals focus on internal and external tactics to achieve our mission and vision are:

Community Goal: Foster a passionate music community where everyone feels welcome and respected.

The 2023-24 season featured dozens of local artists and community engagement activities. Performances such as the Lift Series, Kaleidescape, Make Music Day, and Hip Hop Night featured diverse, local talent with unique audience engagement opportunities. Free community programs included the Barker Park Series, Summer Square, Food Drives with Community Partners, Unison Program, Etude Student Volunteer Program, and Music at Noon.

Education Goal: Provide educational programs where participants feel comfortable engaging and learning about diverse genres in an effort to foster empathy, cross-cultural sharing, and encourage a life-long love of the arts.

The 2023-24 season included educational activities such as Strings Club at Robert C Parker School with Jessica Bowen (10 weeks), African Dance & Drumming at the Connect Center for Youth as well as in the Troy City, Green Island, and Lansingburgh School Districts with Jordan Taylor Hill (34 workshops), Guitar Club at Lansingburgh Middle School with Lucy Nelligan (8 weeks), World Music Workshops at North Colonie Schools via a HEARD Residency including 550 students, and much more.

Culture Goal: Offer a safe, community-centered environment where individuals can express themselves and be open to understanding others' artistic expressions.

The 2023-24 season included 102 performances which featured diversity in genre, age, culture, race, and ethnicities. The season included partnerships with or membership in the Albany Black Chamber of Commerce, the Hindu Cultural Center, NAACP, NY Capital Region Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, Rensselaer County Chamber of Commerce, Capital Region Chamber, Albany Pro Musica, Albany Symphony Orchestra, and the Empire State Youth Orchestra.

Experience Goal: Provide a venue where people come together to celebrate the power of community, and the diverse range of creative arts while providing a platform for musicians and audience members to share their stories.

The 2023-24 season included a significant increase in pre-show engagement activities. These included pre-show outreach activities such as hosting 350 K-5 students for an educational session on Korean music and tradition with CelloGayageum, a fiddle workshop with Lucy Nelligan with a cameo by Mark O'Connor, and an Ukulele workshop with Julia Alsarraf featuring main-stage artist Jake Shimabukuro, and a bracelet making/trading event for young Swifties before the Let's Sing Taylor show.

LOOKING AHEAD... RENAISSANCE 150



Troy Savings Bank Music Hall is excited to announce project Renaissance 150!

Launching the historic building into the 21st century and beyond!

On June 25, 2024 the Troy Savings Bank Music Hall Corporation unveiled plans for a transformative expansion project during a press conference attended by state and local leaders. The historic Troy Savings Bank Music Hall, a beacon of culture in the region, is set to embrace a new chapter with a transformational project that will include two parts: 1. the creation of The Capital Region Music Hub, an adaptive reuse of the bank lobby space into a multifunctional cultural and community center, and 2. updating the HVAC in the Troy Savings Bank Music Hall – providing conditioned and filtered air, effectively extending the programming season and creating a more comfortable and safe environment.

THE MUSIC HALL TEAM

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

Jon Elbaum - Executive Director
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Brittany Pallozzi - Director of Patron Relations
Jessica Bowen - Director of Education & Outreach
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Mike Seddon - Technical Director

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Amanda Charlebois
Elise Charlebois
Melissa Colasessano
Shelley Cooke
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Ariel Weiss

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Brendan Tenan
Sam Torres
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Cheryl Malloy
John Plante

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Dylan Thomas
Kevin Thomas

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Troy Savings Bank Music Hall is led by a dedicated volunteer Board of Directors who lend their expertise, experience, and business acumen to ensure the Music Hall will fulfill its mission for many years to come.

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THANK YOU!

A look back at the 2023-24 Season!

538+

Tickets
Donated
to Area
Non-Profits

The Troy Savings Bank Music Hall saw its busiest season to-date welcoming 50,000 visitors for performances and enrichment activities. Ticket sales make up approximately 70% the organization's budget with the rest coming through the generosity of our tremendous supporters. We are so grateful for all of our donors, volunteers, board members, sponsors, ticket buyers, and community partners. In addition to record-breaking ticket sales, we saw a 58% increase in our membership program – a testament to the community we continue to build. Thank you all for your part in keeping our mission alive and our building vibrant.

910

Donations
Received



298

New Donors

667

Members

115

Volunteers

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