



# YEAR IN REVIEW

## 2023/2024



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...

**5**

Stage Extension Installations

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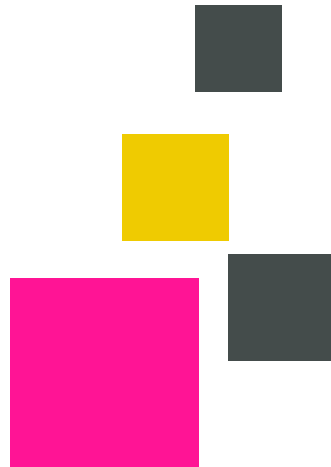
**50+**

Piano Tunings

..... ❖ .....

**10,000+**

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



# FREE PROGRAMS



## MUSIC @ NOON

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

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



## BARKER PARK

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





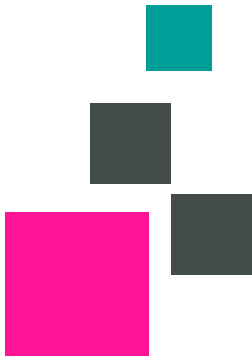
# THE LIFT SERIES



ORGAN  
COLOSSAL

## CURATED BY ORGAN COLOSSAL

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



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

# RENTALS & RECORDINGS

65

COMMUNITY USES



185

DAYS OF ACTIVITY  
IN THE HALL



## RENTALS:

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

Emory Entertainment

Opera Saratoga

## RECORDINGS:

Marilyn Nonken/NYU (2x)

Albany Symphony

Patrick Smith/Virginia

Commonwealth University



ALBANY  
PRO MUSICA

# 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  
Ira Marcks  
Nikki B. Rogers  
Quintocracy Wind Quintet  
Ellen Sinopoli Dance Company  
Jonny & Annie Rosen  
Heard Ensemble  
Hana Van Der Kolk  
Lucy Nelligan  
Jessica Bowen  
Brian Brancato

Barker Park, 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. Students volunteered at over  $\frac{2}{3}$  of the shows in our '23-'24 season, with an average of 3 student volunteers per show.

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!

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.

Jordan Taylor Hill

34 unique workshops this season! Totaling 9 schools and 2 community organizations including:

Troy City School District  
Green Island School District  
Lansingburgh School District  
Connect Center for Youth

HEARD residency

Over 550 students from North Colonie Schools participated!



# ARTS IN EDUCATION PROGRAMS...

## **KATIE THE STRONGEST OF THE STRONG:**

In March of 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 attended from Troy City School District, Brunswick-Brittonkill School District, and Redemption Christian Academy

## **CELLOGAYAGEUM**

In February of 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 of 2024 over 30 students enjoyed a pre-show instrument petting zoo and demonstration with members of Spira. Thanks to a kind donation by John Keal Music Company, students worked with the musicians having the opportunity to try playing 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

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

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



# 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  
Australian Chamber Orchestra - October 22nd at 7:30 PM  
Paula Poundstone- October 25th at 7:30 PM  
Orpheus Chamber Orchestra - November 3rd at 3:00 PM  
Nick Carter - November 6th at 7:30 PM  
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  
Steven Isserlis - February 4th, 2025 at 7:30PM

**MORE 2024-25 PERFORMANCES TO BE ANNOUNCED SOON!**



# DIVERSITY EQUITY INCLUSION & BELONGING



We are committed to being an inclusive organization, addressing issues of equity, providing success to our programs, but also recognizing that not everyone has the same circumstances and resources to participate in those opportunities. This past year our team created organizational strategic priorities with actionable strategies to ensure we provide both programming and a work environment that are safe spaces for self-expression, places of belonging, and a beacon of the community. Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Belonging are central to all priorities and woven throughout the plan. The plan will guide our upcoming season as well as the expansion into our new space. The core pillars of this plan focus on internal and external tactics to achieve our mission and vision and center on:

- **Community:** Establish the Troy Savings Bank Building (Hall & Hub) as a welcoming and respectful community engagement space by fostering increasingly diverse partnerships with community members, organizations, and funders. This will be achieved through Program Engagement, Audience Development, and new Capital Region Music Hub Launch strategies.
- **Culture:** Align practices, policies, and procedures to foster a dynamic, inclusive, and accessible environment. This will be achieved through Communication & Collaboration, Organizational Identity, and Patron Experience strategies.
- **Capacity:** Align business plans and resources to achieve Culture & Community Goals and set the organization up for a sustainable future. This will be achieved through Sustainability, External Stakeholders, and Human Resources strategies.

Our commitment to continually grow in these areas is strong. Examples of our efforts can be seen through:

- Diverse Representation in musical genres and artists
- Arts in Education to ensure our youngest community members access music enrichment
- Free/Low-Cost Community Programming to decrease financial barriers to the arts

# 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  
Stacey Bridge - Associate Director  
Lizzie Honan - Director of External Affairs  
Brittany Pallozzi - Director of Patron Relations  
Jessica Bowen - Director of Education & Outreach  
Ryan Murray - Director of Marketing  
Sean Murphy - Event Manager  
Kevin McDermott - Fundraising Coordinator  
Mike Seddon - Technical Director  
John Nolan - Director of Operations

## BOX OFFICE REPRESENTATIVES

Renee Roy - Assistant Box Office Manager  
Mel Bailey  
Amanda Charlebois  
Elise Charlebois  
Melissa Colasessano  
Shelley Cooke  
Danielle Czarnecki  
Adam Glogowski  
Alyssa Vosganian - Street  
Ariel Weiss

## PRODUCTION STAFF

Tom Adinolfi  
Lee Ashburn  
Amanda Charlebois  
Brian Darby  
Keirsten Lamora  
Michael Swinton  
Brendan Tenan  
Sam Torres  
Rich Warner

## HOUSE MANAGERS

Rachel Arduini  
Maegan Frantz  
Cheryl Malloy  
John Plante

## EVENT STAFF

Josh Breslin  
Kayleigh Dreste  
Carrie Gamello  
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.

## **PRESIDENT**

Scott Sauer

## **VICE PRESIDENT**

Dori McDannold

Julia Alsarraf

Leslie Cheu

Maureen Clarke

Alan J. Goldberg

## **TREASURER**

Paul Fahey

## **SECRETARY**

Michelle Hogan

Lynne Mahoney

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Nancy Rider



# THANK YOU!

The 2023-24 Season was unlike any other!

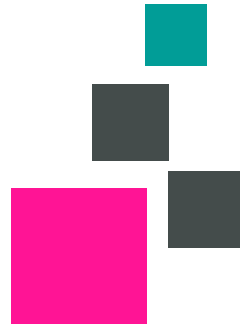
**538+**

Tickets  
Donated  
to Area  
Non-Profits

The Troy Savings Bank Music Hall saw its busiest season to-date welcoming nearly 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

# THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSORS

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