



PIPES

&

PERCUSSION

200
OCTOBER
2022

**NEWSLETTER FOR
THE FRIENDS OF THE WURLITZER**

**& THE "KIWI CHAPTER" of the
AMERICAN THEATRE ORGAN SOCIETY**

EDITOR: James Duncan - tremsoff@xtra.co.nz
MEMBERSHIP/TICKETS: jandenise@xtra.co.nz



UNDER THE AUSPICES OF
THE WURLITZER ORGAN TRUST of AUCKLAND
www.theatreorgans.com/wota

....AND THE GOOD NEWS CONTINUES !

In this, our 200th issue of this newsletter, we are thrilled to report that September saw much excitement for the Wurlitzer Organ Trust of Auckland, as Richard Larritt and Peter Hosking from Adelaide, arrived in town to begin the installation of our Wurlitzer organ.

They were ready to start work within hours of arriving. Their first impressions saw our Organ Curator Neil Warrington, breathe a massive sigh of relief. Richard and Peter noted that although the organ chambers are small, everything will fit, and the sound *will* get out. Even more satisfying, is that all the work that Neil and his team of helpers have undertaken over the last year or three, has made the Adelaide guys' work so much easier.

The two weeks passed all too quickly, and with help from our Auckland team, Richard and Peter had the pipe chests mounted in position in the chambers and the work of installing the pipes into the chests underway. However, Neil and his gang have a big list of "homework" to do before Richard and Peter return in January.

*++ The opinions expressed in this Newsletter ++
are not necessarily those of The Wurlitzer Organ Trust of Auckland.*

THE WURLITZER ORGAN TRUST of AUCKLAND

Invite you to our

**FRIENDS OF THE WURLITZER
CLUB AFTERNOON**

Sunday November 6 @ 2.pm

Playhouse Theatre, 15 Glendale Rd, Glen Eden

Doors open 1.30pm

*Enjoy a play-in to the show on piano from 1.30-2pm
by Margaret Massey & John Hardicker*

**If you feel more comfortable wearing a mask,
please feel free to do so, although now they are no
longer a Covid requirement.**



Our video presentation features an instrument regarded as the world's largest Wurlitzer pipe organ, in the hands of two of the USA's top entertainers – **Jelani Eddington** and **Zach Frame**.

You will love the big sounds of the late Jasper Sanfilippo's truly *mighty* Wurlitzer pipe organ.

The program includes music from two popular shows, marches, themes from movies, a Glenn Miller favourite, a musical tour through this amazing instrument and a Grande Finale in the form of a great classical firecracker!!

We look forward to sharing this video-concert with you **and....** sharing a cuppa afterwards.

There will also be opportunity to check out the organ chambers and the work done recently. Neil Warrington will be on hand from 1.30pm until 1.55pm to show you through BEFORE the show starts. Entry to the chambers is from the carpark.

PRIVATE FUNCTION FOR FOTW MEMBERS & FRIENDS

\$15.00 each

NO TICKETS ISSUED AND NO DOOR SALES!

Attendees will be checked in on arrival.

**Please call/email Jan to organize your payment for the event
PH: 522-8944 / jandenise@xtra.co.nz**

INTERNET BANK PAYMENT

Account Name: The Wurlitzer Organ Trust of Auckland

Account Number: 12-3045-0449278-00

Quote the following:

PARTICULARS: **Your Name** / **REFERENCE:** **Club Doo**

**Bookings Close Wednesday November 2nd
NO DOOR SALES**

**ARE YOU MAKING A PAYMENT
INTO THE WOTA BANK ACCOUNT?**

Call/email Jan FIRST to advise that you are making a payment.

If you don't tell us that you are paying money into our account – we will not know to look out for it.

This means no admission to the show or no receipt issued for a much-needed donation.

PH: 522-8944 / jandenise@xtra.co.nz

NEWS FROM THE ORGAN CHAMBERS !

***Adelaide's Richard Larritt giving the job "legs"!
A small pipe chest, upside down, having legs and feet fitted that will see
the chest standing up off the floor in the Main Chamber.
(Peter Hosking)***





Neil Warrington's brother Kevin Reade and Adelaide's Peter Hosking carry a large Diapason pipe through the door to the Organ Chamber, at the rear of the Playhouse Theatre by the carpark. The Diapason Rank of pipes is the foundation sound of the church or classical pipe organ, also found on all good theatre organs!. (Neil Warrington)



ABOVE:
A four rank Pipe Chest now installed in the Solo Chamber beside the entry door.

The holes in the chest are where the pipes are set up each block represents a different voice – four on this chest.

(Neil Warrington)



LEFT:
Part of the Tibia rank of pipes. The Tibia is the foundation sound of the theatre organ and is rather like a big fat flute.

(Neil Warrington)



ABOVE: Main Chamber and the metal pipes of the Diaphone and part of the wood Bourdon. (Neil Warrington)

BELOW: Main Chamber back wall and part of the offset Flute and Bourdon ranks (Neil Warrington)





**THE
WURLITZER ORGAN TRUST
of AUCKLAND**

(REG. CHARITABLE TRUST No.10966)

Visit us at:

www.theatreorgans.com/wota

CHAIRMAN: Mr James Duncan PH: 027 2525706
Concert Manager/Newsletter Editor

SECRETARY: Mrs Carol Neill PH: 575-8645

TREASURER: Mr John Palmer PH: (07) 855-3267

PROJECT LEADER

ORGAN REINSTALLATION: Mr Neil Warrington PH: 828-4934

TRUSTEES: Mrs Margaret Cox PH: 440-9984
Mr John Kleingeld PH: 838-8419
Ms Tina McNally PH: 828-0963
Mr Bill Ridge PH: 636-9579

##

**FRIENDS of the WURLITZER MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY
and CONCERT TICKETS:** Mrs Jan Denise

PH: 522-8944



SUPPORTING THE WURLITZER ORGAN TRUST of AUCKLAND