MUSIC HOUSE 2015 EVENTS: A SEASON OF MOVIES, MUSIC AND LEARNING!

We are very excited about our 2015 Season. We will be bringing you more movies, more concerts, more fascinating talks and three open houses! The Board and Staff have been working hard to create a season that reflects the requests and suggestions our members and popular events that our community and members voted for by strong attendance. We are also, as part of one of our goals of 2013 strategic plan bringing more educational opportunities. We hope that you will enjoy the season we have put together and take advantage of all of the fun events that we have to offer! As always, there will be a complete event schedule listed on our website (musichouse.org) and on our Facebook page. Please check these schedule as we hope to continue to add to the list of fun.

SILENT FILM SERIES TO FEATURE SIX FILMS!

July 25th – 5:30 pm*
The Lodger (1927) - Starring Harold Lloyd, featuring Fr. Andrew Rogers

Fr. Rogers has chosen suspense for the October film, a perfect fit for Halloween! This film, starring Ivor Novello is considered Alfred Hitchcock’s best silent film. Hitchcock also considers this his first film in the ‘suspense’ genre that he is so famous for. A landlady suspects her new lodger is the madman killing women in London, a serial killer known as “The Avenger”, based on Jack the Ripper.

August 22nd and 23rd – 5:30 pm*
The Hunchback of Notre Dame (1923) – Starring Lon Chaney featuring Dave Calendine

Red Wing organist Dave Calendine has chosen a classic for our second film. Lon Chaney’s performance and make-up as the kind-hearted and misunderstood Quasimodo make this a master piece. It took place in fifteenth century Paris, wherein the evil brother of the good master of Notre Dame and the gypsy king to foment a peasant revolt. Meanwhile, a friendly hunchback, Quasimodo, falls in love with Esmeralda the gypsy queen. The film is full of intrigue, romance and drama.

September 19th – 5:30 and 7:30 pm
Hot Water (1924) – Starring Harold Lloyd, featuring Fr. Andrew Rogers

Fr. Rogers has chosen a hilarious, episodic look at married life and in-law problems starring Harold Lloyd. Adventures include a ride on a crowded trolley with a live turkey; a wild spin in a new auto with the in-laws in tow; and a sequence in which Hubby accidentally chloroforms his mother-in-law and is convinced that he has killed her. When she begins sleep-walking, he thinks that she has returned to haunt him.

October 23rd and 24th – 5:30 pm*
The General (1926) – Starring Buster Keaton and featuring Dale and Gail Zieger

We open the season with the husband and wife team of Dale and Gail Zieger accompanying this classic Buster Keaton film with Dale on the Wurlitzer and Gail on the grand piano. In the film Johnnie (Buster Keaton) loves his train ("The General") and Annabelle Lee (Marie Doro). A hick named Mack. When the Civil War begins he is turned down for service because he’s more valuable as an engineer. Annabelle thinks it’s because he’s a coward. Union spies capture The General with Annabelle on board. Johnnie must rescue both his loves.

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November 28th – 5:30 and 7:30 pm
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Film to be determined featuring Stephen Warner

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Great Concerts

We have a very exciting concert series this season offering a variety of talent that you will not want to miss. Our first concert on July 24th, will feature Dale and Gail Zieger with a tribute to great songs from the movies to help kick-off the Traverse City Film Festival. The Ziegers are a husband and wife team from Grand Rapids with Dale on the Wurlitzer and Gail on the piano. Next up, on Aug. 7th we will have Damaris Pike, originally from Ohio, with a special presentation from her “Women of Note” performances, Frankie Gershwin: We Let George Do It. The audience will be transported to a 1930’s party with George Gershwin’s sister, Frankie, where she reminisces and sings some of George and Ira’s most beloved songs. This will be followed on Aug. 15th by a concert from local Ragtime pianist, Peter Bergin, who will perform on several of the Music House’s pianos. And on Nov. 27th Fr. Andrew Rogers will, back by popular demand, ring in the Holidays with a Christmas Concert/Sing-a-long. Please visit our website (musichouse.org) for future additions to the series. We also invite you to offer suggestions on areas of interest that you would enjoy learning more about.

Fascinating Talks

A goal in our 2013 Strategic Plan was to increase our educational programming. As part of this we are seeking to provided interesting and educational talks. Last year we featured James Warner’s talk on the history of the phonograph and are happy to have the he has agreed to speak again this year. On June 16th he will, once again, bring his wealth of knowledge and expand upon his 2014 talk with ‘Voices From the Horn 2’. We are also excited to host Dave Hartman, who will share his vast knowledge on the craftsmanship and engineering of clock making on July 14th. We hope to add more to this lecture series so please check musichouse.org for future additions to the series. We also invite you to offer suggestions on areas of interest that you would enjoy learning more about.

Family Day/Open Houses

With the popularity of our Family Day event and our Holiday Open House last December, we have decided to include a 3rd Open House event this season. On May 3rd we will hold a Season Opening Open House from 4 pm, with special discounted admissions of $5, students $3 and children under 6 are free and a special family admission of $15. Please join us and see the new roof and updated displays. Family Day will be on Sept. 13th and we are also inviting everyone to come to see the Music House decked out in its Holiday splendor on Dec. 20th.

*Please note that, due to length, the Aug. And Oct. Films will have showing on Sat. And Sun. At 5:30 pm to allow our artists a break.