

LOUISVILLE MEMORIAL AUDITORIUM

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Press Release

METROPOLIS Emerges Again at the Louisville Memorial Auditorium!

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Louisville, KY – the **Louisville Memorial Auditorium**, in conjunction with **The William H. Bauer Foundation and FORCHT Bank**, will be hosting a fundraiser on **Saturday, October 13th 2018 from 7:00pm – 10:00pm**. Fritz Lang's silent movie masterpiece "**METROPOLIS**" will be presented and accompanied by Timothy L. Baker with David Pilkinton/Guest Organist playing the historic **Pilcher Pipe Organ**.

"We are thrilled to be working again with The William H. Bauer Foundation and Forcht Bank on this unique opportunity to invite both supporters of the pipe organ and interested guests who may not know much about the auditorium or this type of movie experience. The event will transport audiences back to a simpler time of enjoying stunning imagery surrounded by powerful sounds of the largest and still operating Pilcher Pipe Organ in the world." said **Kelly J. Gream/Louisville Memorial Auditorium, Executive Director**.

The admission will be a donation of \$10 per person to see **Fritz Lang's** masterpiece released in 1927, featuring the grim futuristic society with some of the most impressive images in film history. The great future city of **METROPOLIS** in the film is inhabited by two distinct classes; the industrialists who live off the fat of the land, supported by the workers who live under the city and endure a bare-bones existence of backbreaking work. Advance tickets can be purchased online at www.LouisvilleMemorialAuditorium.com or that evening for general admission seating where cash or credit card payments will be accepted.

The evening will start with a reception in the main lobby beginning at 7:00 p.m., which will have a cash bar and a delicious Hors d'oeuvres Bar by **Bristol Catering**, with a fun photo balloon wall inspired by the legendary movie as presented by the creative team from **Ah, Whatta 'Bout Mimi!** There will also be a raffle for a basket of movie memorabilia and other surprises. For guests' comfort, there will be lounge areas set up so everyone attending can experience the beauty of the remarkable venue. Guests are welcome to come in their favorite costume from the era!

"Since the beginning of motion pictures, the organ was the voice of silent cinema. This score helps experience the relentless machines which steal the souls of the laborers who run them, the decadence of the privileged class who feast on the fruits of the laborers, as well as the drama and angst which separate the two classes until they collide at the climax of the film. " said **Timothy Baker/President of The William H. Bauer Foundation**.

About the Louisville Memorial Auditorium

Louisville Memorial Auditorium turns 90 years old in 2019 which will be honored with a number of special events throughout the year that will be announced in the new year. The unique venue offers rich history, architectural beauty, and a remarkable stage experience, complete with lighting and sound systems to produce a memorable event. A Louisville Landmark on the National Register of Historic Places, dedicated on Memorial Day in 1929, the auditorium was built from the outgrowth of two movements: one for a public auditorium and the other for a memorial to commemorate the deeds of the sons and daughters of Louisville, KY and Jefferson County who served in WWI. Over the years many concerts, graduations, dance recitals & competitions, stage productions and other interesting events have been held at the venue. Under new management, the non-profit will be inviting weddings and meeting events to be held at the historic landmark.

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About The William H. Bauer Foundation

The William H Bauer Foundation was formed in December 1994 after Mr. Bauer's death the previous summer. Bill loved all things concerning the Pilcher Pipe Organ Company formerly of Louisville. His forethought to interest others in the preservation of this instrument is why we are here today. After a highly successful experience during the 1993 Organ Historical Society Convention held in Louisville that year, we were encouraged to do what we could to preserve this musical treasure. 2017 celebrates our 27th year as a non-profit foundation preserving The World's Magnum Opus Pilcher Pipe Organ.

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