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**NEWSLETTER FOR  
THE FRIENDS OF THE WURLITZER**

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

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UNDER THE AUSPICES OF  
THE WURLITZER ORGAN TRUST of AUCKLAND  
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### ***....NO NEWS - IS GOOD NEWS !***

A belated "Happy New Year" to you all, and as the saying goes, no news *IS* good news!! Since we last wrote, our Adelaide organ team, Richard Larritt and Peter Hosking, have made several visits to Auckland, helping our small team get more and more of the organ installed. They noted that we are now halfway through the project.

They are hoping to return in June for another stint and expect that the wind blowers will be up and running. In the meantime, our team need to have the "Main Chamber" wind trunking completed with trunking painted, in situ and leathered.

I know I've said this before, but we need to understand that if we could close the Playhouse Theatre for 3-4 months with Peter and Richard putting their own lives on hold for that time, here in Auckland working 5 days a week on the Wurlitzer organ install, then yes, it would be ready to play very quickly. This is not the case for us, the Playhouse is fully booked as are the Adelaide guys, so patience is our best friend as we soldier through the installation. Come check out the work being done at our next **Club Afternoon on Sunday 18 June**.

++ 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 June 18 @ 2.pm**

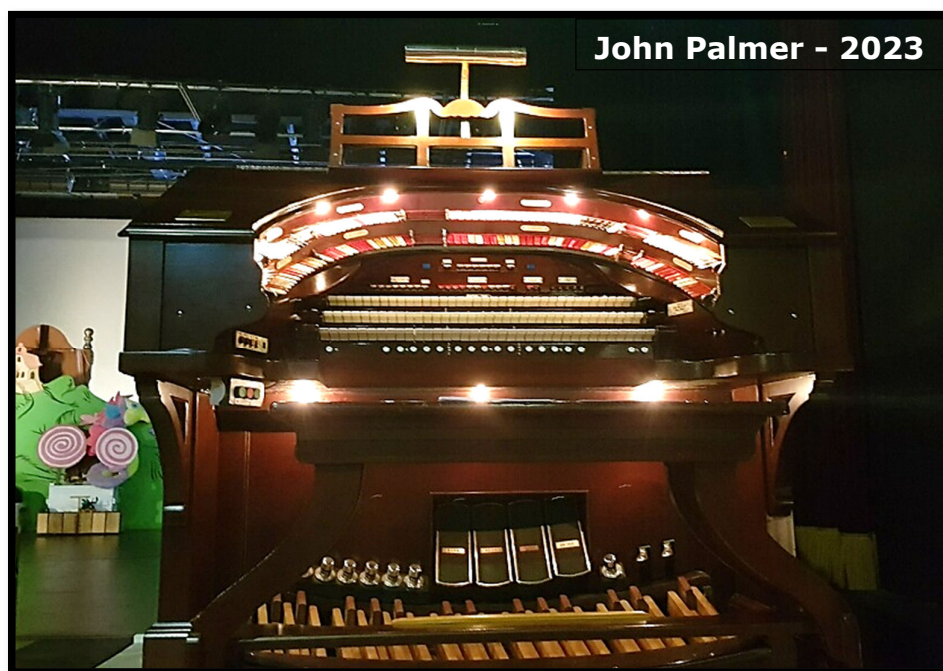
**Playhouse Theatre, 15 Glendale Rd, Glen Eden**

**Doors open 1.30pm**

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

**Organ Chambers open from 1.30pm until 1.55pm  
for those who would like to check out the work done to date.  
Our own Neil Warrington will be on hand to answer questions  
\* \* Entry to the chambers is from the carpark. \* \***

Once again, we have put together a video program with a potpourri of gems from all over the theatre organ world and will round the program off with a 20-minute tribute from our days at the Hollywood Cinema. We have screened this particular video at a previous Club Afternoon a few years back, but it will serve to remind us of the great entertainment we once enjoyed at the Hollywood, and now eagerly await to hear again here at the Playhouse Theatre.



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

**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 organise your payment for the event**

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**Bookings Close Wednesday June 14**

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have given WOTA, the Trust is waiving annual subs this year in  
lieu of a donation to help us keep the organisation solvent.  
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