

The New Hall of Famers

Four entrants were enshrined in the Theatre Organists Hall of Fame during the convention in Chicago. They are:

BERNIE COWHAM

A demonstrator for the Barton Organ Co. for seven years, he opened theatres in Milwaukee, then was circuit organist for the Keith-Albee chain in the New York area.

JOHN GART

Former New York area theatre organist on the Loew's circuit, he was also a composer and conductor with an extensive background of radio and television work.

EDNA S. SELLERS

A well-known Chicago artist, she played many theatres for the Ascher and Balaban & Katz chains, and had considerable radio and club experience.



John Muri

Theatre Organist of the Year

JOHN T. MURI

Named Theatre Organist of the Year 1977, he played theatres in the Indiana area and was a radio artist and educator. A favorite of organ clubs and ATOS chapters, his column in THEATRE ORGAN has been widely read since its inception in 1969.

HALL OF FAME

Donald H. Baker
Stuart Barrie
Dessa Byrd
Gaylord B. Carter
Edwin L. "Buddy" Cole
Bernie Cowham
Helen A. Crawford
Jesse J. Crawford
Lloyd G. Del Castillo
Reginald Dixon
Edward J. Dunstedter
Lee O. Erwin, Jr.
Francis "Gus" Farney
Frederick Feibel
Mildred M. Fitzpatrick
Reginald Foort
Paul H. Forster
John Gart
Betty Gould
Arthur Gutow
John F. Hammond
Henri A. Keates
Frederick Kinsley
Sigmund Krungold
Edith Lang
Ambrose Larsen
Richard Leibert
Leonard MacClain
Quentin M. Maclean
Rodwell "Sandy" McPherson
Albert Hay Malotte
Dr. Melchiorre Mauro-Cottone
Al Melgard
F. Donald Miller
Charles Sharpe Minor
Henry B. Murtagh
Dr. Milton Page
Dr. C.A.J. Parmentier
Edna S. Sellers
Preston Sellers
Gerald Shaw
Raymond Shelley
Arsene Siegel
Milton Slosser
Kathleen O. Stokes
Firmin Swinnen
Sidney Torch
Emil Velazco
Deszo Von d'Antalfy
Oliver Wallace
Jack Ward
Edward J. Weaver
Lew White

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