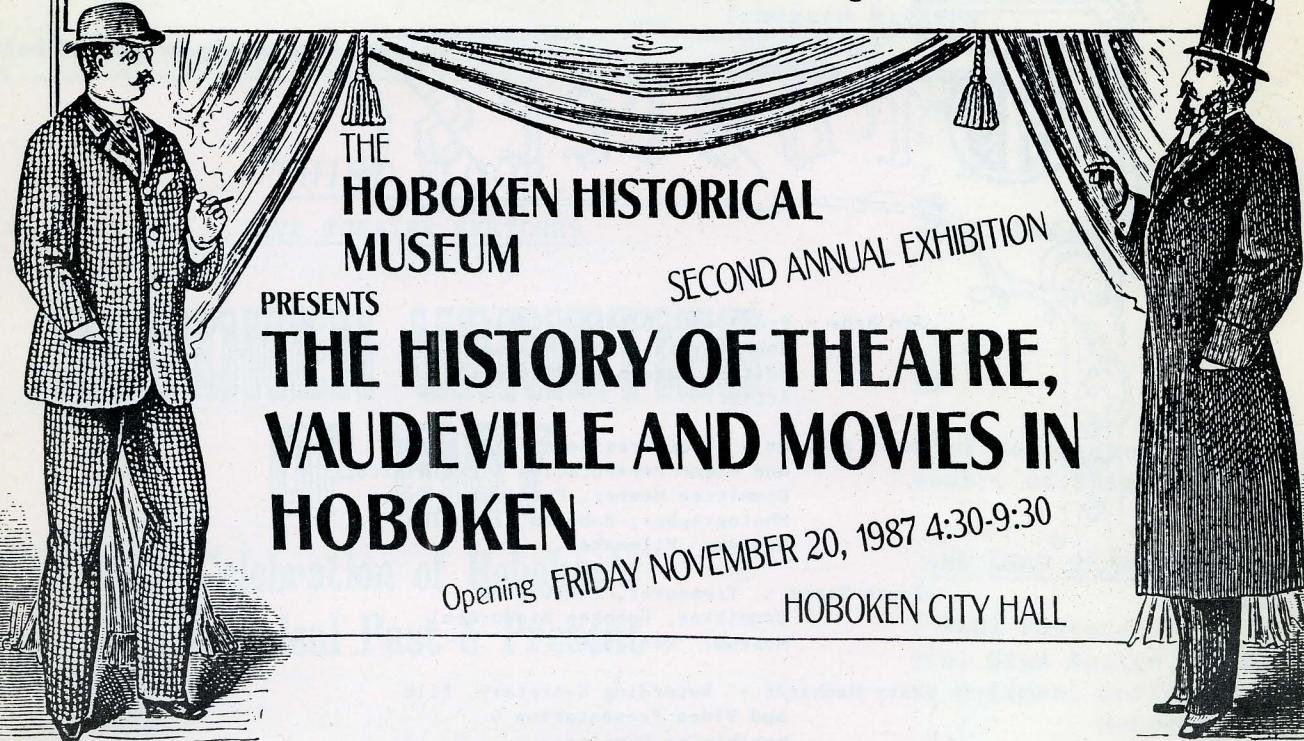


PROGRAM.



THE
**HOBOKEN HISTORICAL
MUSEUM**
PRESENTS
**THE HISTORY OF THEATRE,
VAUDEVILLE AND MOVIES IN
HOBOKEN**

SECOND ANNUAL EXHIBITION

Opening FRIDAY NOVEMBER 20, 1987 4:30-9:30
HOBOKEN CITY HALL

FUNDED IN PART BY A GRANT FROM THE NEW JERSEY HISTORICAL COMMISSION

INTRODUCTION

This second exhibition presented under the auspices of the Hoboken Historical Museum represents many hours of painstaking, thoughtful labor on the part of our active members.

This program is designed to guide you conveniently through the exhibit, which will be open to the public through September of 1988.

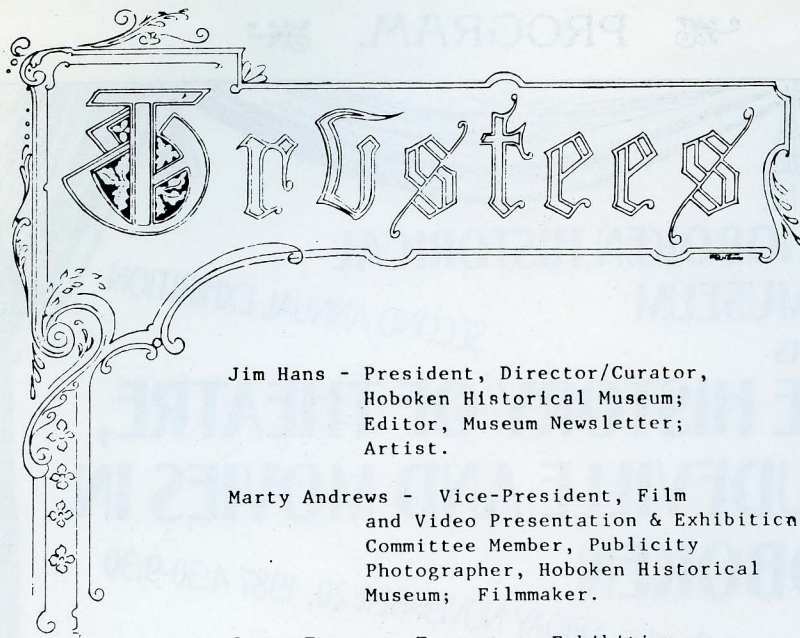
The Museum's decision to mount this exhibition was motivated by the fact that Hoboken had for many years a theatrical scene much more vital than one might expect in a city of its size. Surprisingly, little was known about it before extensive research unearthed much of the evidence presented in the exhibit and the accompanying booklet, which shows the geographical locations of the theatres, cabarets and cinemas of Hoboken in decades distant as well as recent.

At present, this history is still being compiled. One of the rewards of being a Museum member will be the opportunity to partake of this information as it is published in subsequent volumes and future issues of the Museum Newsletter.

For the tradition still continues in the fine work being done by theatre companies, performance artists, musicians, filmmakers and others who make Hoboken a hub of artistic activity to this day.

That their efforts are part of our heritage as Hobokenites and are worthy of support is one of the points this exhibit strives to make.

Jim Hans
Director/Curator
November 3, 1987



Jim Hans - President, Director/Curator,
Hoboken Historical Museum;
Editor, Museum Newsletter;
Artist.

Marty Andrews - Vice-President, Film
and Video Presentation & Exhibition
Committee Member, Publicity
Photographer, Hoboken Historical
Museum; Filmmaker.

Joyce Tatom - Treasurer, Exhibition
Committee, Hoboken Historical
Museum; Designer.

Mary Manhardt - Recording Secretary, Film
and Video Presentation &
Exhibition Committee
Member, Assistant Editor
of Museum Newsletter; Assistant
Film Editor.

Virginia Parrott - Corresponding Secretary,
Hoboken Historical Museum;
Photographer.

Criss Andre - Publications and Exhibition
Committee; Artist.

Ken Clare - Photographer.

John DePalma - Public Relations, Hoboken
History, Exhibition Committee.

Bob Foster - Photography Committee Chair-
person, Exhibition Committee;
Photographer.

Carol Huffman - Invitation Committee, Exhibition
Committee.

Perry Robinson - Entertainment Committee
Chairperson; Musician.



SOME OF OUR ACTIVE MEMBERS

The following members are active on the Exhibition Committee, and have helped out in a variety of ways:

Barbara Blecher
Betsy Cannon
George Cannon
Doris China
Dennis Darragh
Emma DeMarco (also Public Relations)
Sean Devney (also Newsletter Staff Writer, artist)
Vincent Dimone
Geri Fallo (also Film & Video Presentation)
Virginia Fenner
Sue Ellen Fiedler
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George Kirchgessner
Hugh Kilmer (also Special Theatrical Entertainment Committee)
Gloria Lamson
Paul Lippman (also Newsletter Production Editor)
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Dena Reynolds (also Special Theatrical Entertainment Committee)
Paula Seaman
Lynn Spencer
Ignatius Spinella
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Greg Timminga
Joan Torino (also Special Theatrical Entertainment Committee)
Jeanne West Valentin (also Frank Sinatra History Committee Chairperson)

The following photographers have contributed to this exhibit:

Ken Clare
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CITY HALL
HOBOKEN, NEW JERSEY

November 4, 1987

DEAR FRIENDS:

November 20, 1987 marks the opening of the second exhibit by the Hoboken Historical Museum in our City Hall. This year's exhibit celebrates Hoboken's rich history in the field of the performing arts: drama, burlesque, and vaudeville. The exhibit brings back memories of this history, and of some of the performers who worked here in earlier days. Our new stars will perform for us on opening day.

Hoboken has long been a mecca for the arts and continues to thrive as an artistic center. Major movies are regularly made in Hoboken; new dramas are written and performed by our theatre groups, and old dramas are revived; and our city is well-known for its music scene.

We are grateful to the Hoboken Historical Museum for contributing to our understanding of our theatrical history, and are proud to announce the opening of their second-year exhibit in City Hall.

Always a Pleasure,

THOMAS F. VEZZETTI
Mayor

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FIRST FLOOR

ENLARGED PHOTOGRAPHS of some of the more interesting
of the Hoboken theatres and halls.

Bob Foster
Photo Exhibit Coordinator

LIVE MUSIC furnished by Carl Huffman and other Hoboken
musicians (Opening Night only).

VIDEOTAPED INTERVIEWS with persons involved in the
theatre or vaudeville.
(Opening night and future dates.)

MONTAGE OF FILM CLIPS shot in or referring to Hoboken.
(Opening Night and future dates.)

Presented by Mary Manhardt and Geraldine Fallo

RARE FILM FOOTAGE OF HOBOKEN Recently acquired by
the Museum from the Motion Picture
Archives of the Library of Congress
in Washington, D.C. Shot by such
pioneer movie companies as Thomas
Edison and the American Mutoscope
and Biograph Company.

1. Our Lady of Grace Church,
Hoboken, November 25, 1902.

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2. S.S. Deutschland leaving
her dock in Hoboken;
Edison, June 25, 1902.
3. Audience leaving theatre,
Hoboken, NJ; Edison, 1902(?).

These short films will be screened
Opening Night and at future dates
at announced locations.

Presented by Mary Manhardt and Geraldine Fallo

SECOND FLOOR

ADDITIONAL PICTURES of some of the old Hoboken theatres -
materials on the well-known performers
who played here, advertisements,
playbills, and other theatrical
artifacts and other historical
information.

SELECTIONS FROM THE MUSEUM'S PERMANENT COLLECTION

A few general Hoboken items such as
the large 1904 birds-eye view of
Hoboken.

SPECIAL

PORTRAIT OF MAYOR THOMAS VEZZETTI

Oil paint on canvas, framed
(24" X 36"). Donated to the
Museum by the artist, June Ponte,
of Hoboken. Unveiling at 4:30 on
Opening Day.

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HISTORICAL BOOKLET

Volume I of "The History of the Theatre, Vaudeville and Movies in Hoboken" will be available at the Opening and at future Museum functions. Volume II is in production.

INFORMATION TABLE

Application forms for membership and information about the Museum available here. Complementary copies of the Newsletter, the official journal of the Museum.

REFRESHMENTS available on this floor. (Opening Night.)

THIRD FLOOR

LIVE THEATRE SKETCHES

Troupers from Hoboken's theatrical past and present will provide continuous live entertainment on the third floor starting at 5:30 PM. (Opening Night only.)

Under the Direction of Dena Reynolds

PROGRAM SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT NOTICE

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wednesday evenings

THIRD FLOOR
LIVE THEATRE SKETCHES

HOBOKEN VARIETIES
OF 1987

A Celebration of Hoboken's
Theatrical Past & Present

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HOBOKEN HISTORICAL MUSEUM

City Hall
First & Washington Street
Hoboken, New Jersey

Producer: DENA REYNOLDS
Assistant Producer: HUGH KILMER
Theater Design: SANDY SOBANSKI
Videotaping: MARTY ANDREWS

Piano courtesy of CARL HUFFMAN,
O. Roe Electric Art Gallery
Program: PAUL LIPPMAN
Thanks to ROY HAACK, Director,
Hoboken Department of Public Works
Special Thanks to JOE



5:30 Music from the 1890s to the 1940s
JOHN PARROTT & ENSEMBLE

5:45 Three melodramatic skits
Hoboken Theater Company

6:05 Songs of Hoboken resident Stephen Foster
Stephen Nuding & Barry Kloda

6:25 "Return of the Soldier" by Willie Hawthorne

LACE PRODUCTIONS

6:40 Ballet to Pachelbel's Canon in D Major
KENNEDY DANCERS

6:50 Songs & recitations by one of Hoboken's own

BOB KELLY

7:05 Dancing, Working, and Living in Hoboken
Kristiana Vervoordt



7:10 Harmonica virtuoso & vaudeville novelty
SAM TENNER & SAL GIUNTA

7:30 A dramatic encore
Hoboken Theater Company

7:50 Impressions of 1930s & 40s celebrities

A.J.T. LAWLORE

8:00 Burlesque is back and Hoboken's got it!

Joan Torino & The Jersey Tomatoes

8:20 Songs of the past
Hoboken Renaissance Singers

8:40 "Five Scenes From Life" by Alan Brody

Renegade Theater

9:00-9:30 A Grand Finale jam session
JOHN PARROTT & ENSEMBLE



← THE PERFORMERS →

John Parrott & Ensemble Hoboken musicians and long-time residents play old-time music the way it's supposed to be played.

Hoboken Theater Co. Our town's permanent troupe of professional actors, directors and playwrights stage works old and new.

Stephen Nuding and Barry Kloda Stephen, lyric tenor, sang on Broadway and in opera; accompanist Barry is organist at All Saints.

Lace Productions Women's theater group that performs plays about women in situations and relationships that affect their lives.

Kennedy Dancers Jersey City's resident contemporary ballet company. Tonight's choreography is by Catherine Samardza.

Bob Kelly Veteran character actor, tenor. He and his parents are Hoboken-born, and he may be Wall Street's only singing banker.

Kristiana Vervoordt creates and performs dances for special occasions in collaboration with filmmaker husband Robert and son Joshua.

Sal Giunta is one of the original Harmonica Rascals of stage and screen; **Sam Tenner** was a vaudeville headliner.

J.T. Lawlor Comic impressionist toured with the USO and was a finalist in "Show-time's Funniest Person in USA" contest.

Joan Torino & The Jersey Tomatoes A real burlesque chorus line, recreated by Joan, now owner of the Hoboken bar "Redheads."

Hoboken Renaissance Singers An ensemble that's performed here for 10 years and has recently given concerts in the Netherlands and Belgium.

Renegade Theater An Actors Equity non-profit theater company founded to produce plays for the people of Hoboken.