

TO: Village of Aurora Board of Trustees
FROM: Morgan Opera House Committee
RE: 2022 Year End Report
DATE: 9 March 2023

Members: Joanne Baum, Susan Forbes, Donna Goddard, Scott Heinekamp, Chris MacCormick, Ann Mathieson, Treasurer, Grace Mattingly, Mary Ellen Ormiston, Secretary, Lars Peterson, Ellen Baker Wikstrom, Chair

Performances:	Attendance:
4/30 Richie and Rosie	78
5/14 Peter Mack Jazz Ensemble	50
10/14 BLB Author	43
10/16 Skaneateles String Quartet	72
12/3 (Trom) Bones East	67
12/17 Shepherds Play	58

This year, all performances were free with a “Suggested Donation of \$10”, in an effort to rebuild our audience from the impact of the Covid pandemic. Attendance was respectable, but not at pre-pandemic levels. We are also trying to re-establish a more normal number of performances. Donation income totaled \$1879. Artists’ fees totaled \$4800 and the Village helped fund \$2400 of that. In addition, The Peter Mack Jazz Ensemble and the Skaneateles String Quartet were partially funded by a NYS Decentralization Grant of \$1000 each. Our remaining operating expenses (\$3125) were covered by annual appeal donations and program ads.

The Morgan Opera House Committee deeply appreciates the continued support of the Village of Aurora. Without its financial assistance our efforts to provide quality, live performing arts events for the community would be severely limited. Thank you for partnering with us to improve access to the arts and enhance the lives of our community members.

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