



# The Paramount Theater Volunteer Newsletter

May 2016

## VOLUNTEER OF THE MONTH PROGRAM:

This program acknowledges the volunteer[s] with the most volunteer hours each month. The volunteer will receive a personalized "Paramount Volunteer" name badge to wear during events. While a person may only be the *Volunteer of the Month* once per year, he or she may receive an alternate recognition gift for subsequent months with leading hours. In this situation, the volunteer with the 2<sup>nd</sup> most hours will be named *Volunteer of the Month*.

## VOLUNTEER INCENTIVE PROGRAM:

For every 100 volunteer hours completed by an individual volunteer in a six-month period, he or she will receive two tickets to a show of their choice.

*(Limited restrictions may apply.)*

The Paramount Theater's mission - to **educate, enchant, enrich** and **enlighten** - is rooted in our commitment to present a wide variety of arts, education, and entertainment opportunities for all to enjoy.

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## Congratulations!

### April 2016 Volunteer of the Month: Mary Ann Dawson



Mary Ann started at The Paramount in July 2015. Her favorite programs include the *Met Live in HD*, the Berlin Philharmonic in HD, and Joshua Bell and The Academy of St Martin in the Fields. Mary Ann also enjoys Volunteering for the Children's educational programs. When Mary Ann is not busy helping us at The Paramount, she enjoys ushering for The Tuesday Evening Concert Series at Old Cabell Hall, attending performances of the Charlottesville Municipal Band and the Charlottesville Symphony, while also enjoying evenings at Carter Mountain and various wineries. Mary Ann also enjoys spending time reading, traveling, kayaking, walking and taking trail hikes. "I've loved volunteering with so many wonderful people and feel fortunate to live in a small city that offers so many wonderful cultural opportunities."

## 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Grand Marquee Gala at The Paramount

On Friday, April 29 The Paramount Theater opened the doors for a night to remember. The 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Grand Marquee Gala welcomed over 250 people for a Hollywood-inspired evening that was filled with glitz, glamour, and more fun than we could have imagined! With an entrance on the Red Carpet (complete with The Paramount's own paparazzi), food, cocktails, live music, a silent disco, and a dance party on the stage, to say the theater was alive that night seems like the understatement of the year. As a nonprofit theater, ticket sales cover only half of our yearly operating budget. Without events like the Gala, The Paramount Theater - as we know it today - could not exist. We are thrilled to share that this one night raised

over \$100,000 to support our mission of operating a restored and adapted historic theater, for the artistic, educational and charitable benefit of its community. A volunteer committee, co-chaired by Angie Oakey and board member Pam Edmonds, planned the event in conjunction with theater staff. Thank you to all who helped with this event. It was truly a night to remember!



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## Upcoming Events at The Paramount Theater:

May 13 at 7:30PM & May 15 at 2:30PM - Ash Lawn Opera & The Oratorio Society of Virginia present: *La Traviata*

May 17 at 7:00PM - Berlin Philharmonic in HD: Andris Nelsons Conducts Wagner and Bruckner

May 21 - University of Virginia, School of Nursing Graduation

May 22 - University of Virginia, School of Medicine Graduation

May 29 at 1:00PM - ParadeRest's 5th Annual Memorial Sunday Tribute

June 3 at 9:30PM - COPA America

June 4 at 7:30PM - Charlottesville Symphony Presents: *Pops at The Paramount*

June 5 at 2:00PM - *Raiders of the Lost Ark* [PG]

June 7 at 8:00PM - COPA America

June 12 at 2:00PM - *Titanic* [PG-13]

June 12 at 8:00PM - 2016 TONY Awards

June 15 at 7:30PM - LOOK3 presents: Frans Lanting

June 16 at 7:30PM - LOOK3 presents: Nick Brandt in conversation with Vicki Goldberg

June 17 at 11:00AM - LOOK3 presents: Olivia Bee, Radcliffe "Ruddy" Roye, and Mary F. Calvert

June 17 at 4:30PM - LOOK3 presents: Graciela Iturbide

June 18 at 11:00AM - LOOK3 presents: Sheila Pree Bright, Binh Danh, Doug DuBois

June 18 at 4:30PM - LOOK3 presents: Yuri Kozyrev in conversation with MaryAnne Golon

June 19 at 8:00PM - Paramount Presents: The Temptations

## Friendly Reminders:

Please plan to arrive on time for all volunteer events at the theater. Call times are 30 minutes prior to opening the doors for screened events and small rentals, and 45 minutes before opening doors for reserved seating performances. If you know you are going to be late, please contact Jenny directly. If the call time varies for an event, Jenny will communicate this to you in a pre-event email.

## Kudos!

Thank you to everyone who volunteered during our five day Tom Tom rental in April! It was an incredibly long week with lots of early mornings and late nights. We really appreciated the help of volunteers that helped make this event a success!

## Quoteable Quotes!

*"Service to others is the rent you pay for your room here on Earth."*

- Mohammed Ali

*"What is the essence of life? To serve others and to do good."*

- Aristotle

## The Paramount Theater

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## Box Office Hours:

Monday-Friday:  
10AM-2PM  
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At least one hour prior  
to every event.



## Meet & Greet Paramount Staff Member: Maran Garland - Marketing Associate

Originally from Ohio, I resided in mid-town Manhattan from August 2001 until September 2009. During this time I completed my undergraduate work at Marymount Manhattan College, with a major in Communication Arts and a focus in public relations and marketing. In 2008 I completed my Masters in Liberal Studies with a focus in Literature at The State University of New York, Stony Brook campus. Upon graduation, I worked for Marymount Manhattan College in the Office of Residence Life as a Residence Director where I coordinated many of our marketing efforts. Upon my move to Charlottesville, I was employed with Albemarle County Schools. I was thrilled to first join The Paramount team in a part-time capacity in 2013. In May 2014, I excitedly accepted a full-time position with the theater as an assistant to the Accounting and Marketing departments. In October 2014, I made the switch to full-time Marketing Associate and have loved every moment since!

I am fortunate to share my time outside of the office with my husband of four years, Rob (The Paramount's Volunteer House Photographer), our 14-month old daughter Clare, our dog Hampton and our cat Ella. It truly is a dream-come-true to call The Paramount home!

## Welcome New Paramount Volunteers!

We had many new volunteers join us in April, including a record-breaking training session conducted by Jeanne Hamlin where she trained six new volunteers! Welcome **Susan Allison, Janet Boctor, Tammy Bowers, Joanne Davis, Susan Goering, Vern Goering, Regina Key, and Debbie King!** We are so thrilled to have all of you as new members of our Paramount volunteer family!

If you have friends who would enjoy volunteering at The Paramount, please direct them to The Paramount's website or pick up an application the next time you come to an event - we are always accepting new volunteers!

## Volunteer Trainings

If it has been a while since you have volunteered, or if you would like to get a refresher on any updated policies and protocol for volunteering at The Paramount, have no fear! We offer Volunteer Training once a week!

We require that new volunteers attend a training session prior to assisting at an event, but existing volunteers are welcome to attend, as well. If you were trained years ago, there may be new things to learn! Our upcoming training sessions for the rest of May include Wednesday, May 19th at 2:00PM and Thursday, May 26th at 10:00AM. Please email Jenny if you would like to attend!

## "A Change of Plans"

We understand that there will be last-minute issues that arise and will conflict with a time you are scheduled to volunteer - this is okay. When a cancellation happens, we kindly request that you let us know as soon as possible so that we can plan accordingly for the event. When a cancellation happens the day of an event, it affects both Paramount staff and your fellow volunteers. While we often have plenty of volunteers for an event, there are also some events where we are short-staffed and last-minute cancellations can affect the ease with which we are able to execute the event. When possible, please allow at least 24 hours notice when you cancel. This will allow us to send a note to all volunteers for additional coverage for events when more hands are needed than are scheduled. Thank you in advance for your assistance with this request.

## Summertime at The Paramount

If you have not yet, please take a look at the exciting summer schedule at The Paramount! There are many annual favorites on the list that volunteers can assist with, including the **LOOK3 Festival of the Photograph**, the **Missoula Children's Theatre**, and **Ash Lawn Opera's summer performances**. There are also lots of exciting new summer events including the **Charlottesville Symphony's "Pops at the Paramount"** event, the return of **The Temptations** to The Paramount, and many other smaller events in between. Please return your sign-up sheets to Jenny at your earliest convenience.