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HEATHER ZEENA



"The first time I got to sing on that stage for the District Chorus concert back when I was in high school. Walking in and seeing those staircases covered in red carpet. I felt like royalty being able to perform there! And all these years later, I still get the chills getting on that stage." JEN ANTKOWIAK

"My favorite memory of Mechanics Hall is attending many of the Travelogues with my late parents when I was a young girl and attending Yo Yo Ma this past January which was an incredible event!" KIM CIBOROWSKI

"I saw Marian McPartland & Linda Ronstadt at MH in 2005. It was glorious and a spectacular first visit to MH. Since then, there have been other core memories - Love Your Labels gala, the Portraits Unveiling, and several corporate events." ABBY MARSCHKE

"An incredible event there was a special evening in memory of Mathew Shepard, and it was moving, magical and transformational. A second fond memory is the tour that Kathy took me on when I first joined the Board. Her historical knowledge and the beauty of the space were inspiring! Another fond memory goes back a number of years to when my daughter sang in a choir for her music teacher's wedding at Mechanics Hall. And finally - the recent Safe Homes Gala held at the hall, our first in that space. It was beautiful, well-organized and financially successful. We will be back in March!" LORIE MARTISKA

"This is going back a while at this point, but my favorite MH memory is singing with the combined choirs of the Colleges of the Worcester Consortium when I was a student at Holy Cross. I did that twice - once as a freshman and once as a senior. The Consortium no longer exists, so unfortunately I don't think they do the combined performances anymore." EVAN MALONEY

"Special family preview of the William and Martha Brown Portrait. We had three generations in attendance." JAMES GOLDSBERRY

"When we had our property committee meeting and got to see the painting restoration process on painting from the 1800s." ANDREW MADIGAN

"Portraits Project Celebration Night" JAMIE LEEHY

Mechanics Hall Trustee Memories

"Yo Yo Ma show December 2022." PETER THOMAS

"Winter Solstice Concert with Cara Brindisi." SCOTT OBER

"I saw Ray Charles with his band and James Brown (two different concerts) perform at Mechanics Hall in the 80's and those were formative, interesting, entertaining and impressive shows...the only time I had ever seen those performers in my lifetime.

I have produced 10 XLO Acoustic Christmas shows at Mechanics Hall with Adam Lambert (twice), Train, The Bare Naked Ladies, Daughtry, O.A.R., Andy Grammer and others with most of those being sold out performances with these major artists that have performed mostly in venues much larger than MH.

I have also produced about 10 XLO Awesome 80's Proms with over 1400 at each event with artists like Debbie Gibson, Tiffany, The Sugar Hill Gang and more with all attendees dressed in costume from the 80's.

The most memorable was a comedy show I did for (at the time) my soon to be wife for the Lupus Foundation New England with Tom Wilson, the actor/comedian that played "Biff" in the Back to the Future movies. That happened in 2007 and we were married in 2011." BOB GOODALL

"When I first came to Worcester in 1992, I honestly wasn't sure if I had made the right choice. I had a few job offers in different cities, and a classmate told me, "Pick Worcester. That's where Mechanics Hall is." I didn't really know what he meant. I figured it had something to do with auto parts or machines. Not long after I started my new job, a colleague talked me into auditioning for the Worcester Chorus. I still remember walking into Mechanics Hall for that first dress rehearsal: going up the red-carpeted staircase, coming out from under the balcony, and suddenly looking up at that incredible ceiling. It felt like I'd stepped out of the country and into a concert hall in Italy or Vienna. In that moment, all my doubts about choosing Worcester disappeared. Instead, I felt a sense of pride that this amazing concert hall was part of my new city. And the funny thing is, even now, after all these years, I still get that same feeling every time I walk through the doors. The Portrait Project has made it even more special, adding so much color and life to the Hall. It's hard for me to imagine anyone sitting through a concert or event in the Great Hall and not being moved by the experience. I hope this memory captures just a small part of what makes Mechanics Hall such a treasure as you begin this new chapter of leadership." MARGARET WONG

"My first time getting to go on the stage to do a presentation at our annual meeting. What a view from up there!" ANTHONY CONSOLMAGNO

"It's every time actually, jaw-dropping experience. What a masterpiece!"" ADI TIBREWAL

"The Halloween concert with the Worcester Symphony Orchestra in 2018." MATTHEW SABACINSKI

"The kid Silent movie with Peter playing along." AKASH GARG

"Junior year high school, prom 2005" ANDREW JOYCE

"The Boys Choir of Harlem - pretty sure it was in the late 90s; I somehow ended up in the Great Hall while they were doing their warm ups and sound check. The sound was phenomenal!" LIZ PARKER GAGNE

"Sitting in rear Balcony with the family, Parents for Travelogues in the 60's, Bare Naked Ladies concert with Daughter in 2010's, Brown bags with my Dad in 2000's." BRUCE ELLIS

"The concert I arranged with classic Indian instrument musical program lead by world famous Sitar player Parvez Khan in Mechanics Hall in 2018." SATYA MITRA

"I have loved going to events here, but I would say my favorite experience is just being on the board in general, I love being surrounded by the passion, energy and devotion to the hall and I just love the hall itself." VICTORIA MARIANO

The artist talk prior to the unveiling of the Frederick Douglass, Sojourner Truth and Martha & William Brown portraits. GLORIA D. HALL

"The Tea Party as part of the Portraits Project as well as the unveiling." PATRICIA DAVIDSON



ANTHONY CONSOLMAGNO



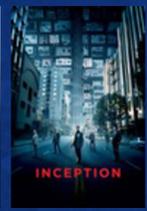
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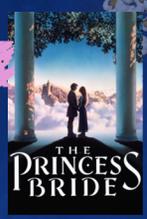
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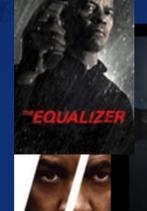
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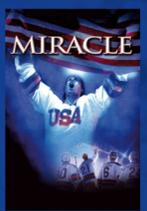
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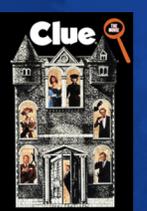
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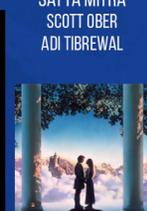
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