



Central California *Upbeat*

The Official Newsletter of the Professional Musicians of Central California
AFM Local 12 - 3rd & 4th Quarters 2014

CBA Updates

Sacramento Philharmonic-Sacramento Opera aka SRPAA

On January 31, 2014 Rob Tannenbaum, General Director of the Sacramento Region Performing Arts Alliance (SRPAA) tendered his resignation. Since then, for all practical purposes, there has been no professional manager to shepherd the organization forward. The SRPAA has scheduled no concerts, released its CCT dates and had made no commitments for musical performances to us, except for Nutcracker.

Local 12 and your Players' Committee have been working on your behalf, attempting to get some performances after January 1, 2015, and trying to get a commitment to a season for 2015-16. It has been a frustrating process for all of us. We've had five or six negotiation meetings, two meetings with the T3 consultants, three Players' Committee meetings and a multitude of emails going back and forth.

The SRPAA board has contracted with a consulting group called T3. The principals for the group include Paul Hogle, (Executive Vice President of the Detroit Symphony Orchestra), John McCann (a board advisor) and Bob Swaney, (a fundraising consultant). We had misgivings about this firm and we are somewhat anxious that it was the right decision from the SRPAA board. We've been assured by people we respect that these people are respected in their field and that they work hard.

We, Local 12 and the Players' Committee, have agreed to a temporary extension of the CBA to 12/31/2014 so that SPO musicians can play 6 Nutcracker performances and 1 rehearsal, similar to what happened last year. Since the loss of Ken Raskin (SRPAA Operations Manager) we've been reviewing the Nutcracker hiring (which we do under normal conditions in keeping with the contract) and it seems that, for the most part, the hiring is complete and in order.

We have met with the T3 principals and we feel cautiously optimistic that they know what they're doing. The SRPAA Board obviously feels they need this assistance and we still believe that working with the board is the quickest way back to performing on stage.

Here are links to two Sacramento Bee articles in case you missed them:

<http://goo.gl/2AZqjL>

<http://goo.gl/YTzh8N>

There seems to be some encouraging news, including a possible donor, who has restricted a sizeable (6 figure) donation to concert production in the first 6 months of 2015 and is requiring a match. We have more meetings planned in December and we'll keep you all updated.

California Musical Theatre

On June 30, 2014 the musicians who play for Music Circus and other Broadway shows presented by CMT ratified a four year contract. The contract is a four-year agreement that maintains a 12 musician average over each Music Circus production and a 60 musician work weeks minimum over each Music Circus season. Additionally, there is a 4% wage increase beginning July 1, 2014. In each of the last three years of the agreement there will be a Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) + 1%. COLA is defined in the contract as at least 2% and not more than 4%, so in each of the subsequent years there will be at least a 3% raise. Parking for rehearsals and performances at Wells Fargo Pavilion for all musicians is also included in the new agreement.

Fresno Grand Opera

This contract rolled over, since neither part re-opened it six weeks prior to its expiration. There have been some news articles about joining Townsend Opera and Fresno Grand Opera. Stay tuned....

Here's a link to an article:

<http://goo.gl/jzH0sk>

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Membership Dues

Category	Quarterly	Yearly
Regular	53.75	215.00
Life	25.00	100.00
Inactive Life	19.25	77.00

Scheduled Meetings
(Unless announced otherwise)

General Membership
Quarterly at Local 12 Office

Executive Board
Monthly at Local 12 office 10:30 a.m. on
the second Thursday of each month

Meetings are open, and members are
invited to attend.

Members wishing to formally
appear on the agenda must
submit a request in writing
at least 24 hours prior to the meeting.

Any notice appearing herein shall be
considered to be an official notice
to the membership.

Suspension Policy

Any members whose Regular or Life
Membership Dues remain unpaid three
months from the due date shall stand
automatically suspended from membership
and be ineligible for Local 12's benefits or
referrals and shall be required to pay a
reinstatement fee of twenty-five dollars,
plus back standing dues and late fees of
five dollars per quarter in order to resume
membership in good standing.

Members not paying dues for six months
will be dropped.

Reinstatement requires payment of a
Local Initiation Fee of fifty dollars in
addition to the reinstatement plus quarterly
late fees.

If off the role book for one year or longer,
a Federal Initiation Fee of sixty-five dollars
is also due.

To Resign in Good Standing

If dues are current a member may
resign in good standing by written
request delivered by mail, FAX
or e-mail.

**A telephone message
is not acceptable.**

Services and Benefits

- Recording Industries Music Fund
- Pension Fund
- Payroll Service
- Legal Contracts
- Instrument & Equipment Insurance
- Emergency Traveling Assistance Program: 1(800) ROAD-GIG
- Union Privilege
- Credit Union Info
- Group Health Insurance (Self Pay)
- Dental Insurance (Self Pay)
- Wage Scales
- National Ear Care Plan
- Referral Service
- Petrillo Fund
- Electronic Media Services
- Collective Bargaining
- Legislative Representation
- Recording and Multimedia Protection

It's a great time to be a member!

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Fresno Philharmonic Orchestra

The FPO musicians are in the 2nd year of a two-year agreement. The agreement required auditions for five vacant wind positions and we're happy to say that they have now been filled. We welcome Rong-Huey Liu as Principal Oboe, Marissa Honda as 3rd Oboe/English Horn, Jeannie Psomas as 2nd Clarinet, Amy Sanchez as 2nd Horn and Alex Rosenfeld as 4th Horn. Recently the FPO Music Director, Theodore Kuchar, resigned effective at the end of the 2015-16 season. That will be his 15th season with the Fresno Philharmonic.

Modesto Symphony Orchestra

On September 6th the musicians of the Modesto Symphony ratified a new five-year agreement that begins retroactively September 1, 2013 and ends August 31, 2018. Improvements include a more stabilized seating in the string section, a new Associate Concertmaster position, and elimination of old language that made it difficult to get an excused absence.

The agreement provides wage increases, starting September 1, 2014, of 2%, 2% more for 2015-16, 2% for 2016-17 and 3% for 2017-18, bringing base pay to \$129.21 for the 2017-18 season.

Membership Updates

New Members

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Suspended Members

Castriotta, Gabrielle
King, John
Kwon, Michelle
Lucas, Charles
Robinson, Thomas
Stivala, Gabriel

Resigned Members

Anderson, Brian – 9/30/14
Gillies, Sarah – 6/30/14
Kristianson, Daniel - 4/6/2014
Lunetta, Henry – 6/30/14
Pittman, Deborah – 9/30/14
Rhodes, Paul – 6/30/14
Roach, Steve – 9/30/14
Schwagerus, Michael - 9/30/14

Deceased Members

Anderson, Michael
Raskin, Ken
Tognozzi, Orlando



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Save money! Save time! Save hassle!

Pay your dues for the year before January 31, 2015 and get a \$20 discount.

Normal yearly dues are \$215 (or \$53.75 per quarter).

***Your payment of \$195 must be received in the office before January 31, 2015
to be eligible for the discount.***

***We are also able to offer payment of yearly dues by credit card
with a reasonable convenience fee of 4% this year.***

Call the office for details.