



# Membership Application Form

## Motor City Theatre Organ Society

a chapter of

## The American Theatre Organ Society

*Membership year is January 1 through December 31. Dues are \$25 per year.*

If joining mid-year, the following are the pro-rated dues: January through March: \$25; April through June: \$20; July through September: \$15; October through December: \$10  
 MCTOS members that are not a member of the American Theatre Organ Society (ATOS) are considered "Friends of the Redford," and does not include voting privileges or a potential to be elected to the Board of Directors. Full membership requires membership in the ATOS. ATOS dues are currently \$50 per year and are billed directly to members. Please do *not* send ATOS dues with your membership renewal. To start a new membership with ATOS go to their website, [www.atos.org](http://www.atos.org).  
*We want everyone to be fully involved in our organization. While we realize the ability or interest may not be there we encourage everyone to become a part of ATOS as well.*

Information that is currently on file with your membership is listed below. Please indicate any changes that may need to be made so that our records can be kept up to date.  
 Thank you for your interest and support in the Motor City Theatre Organ Society!

Name (this will be used for your membership badge): \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse: \_\_\_\_\_

Additional Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

ATOS Member: Yes: \_\_\_\_\_ No: \_\_\_\_\_ (non-ATOS members are considered "Friends of the Redford")

Birthday: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell/House Phone (Circle one): \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Would you like to receive our newsletters by: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_ Regular Mail

Would you like to receive the membership directory: Yes: \_\_\_\_\_ No: \_\_\_\_\_

Interests: (please check any activities that you may be interested in)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Activity Planning<br><input type="checkbox"/> Administration<br><input type="checkbox"/> Building Maintenance<br><input type="checkbox"/> Clean-Up Crew<br><input type="checkbox"/> Concession Counter<br><input type="checkbox"/> Event Manager<br><input type="checkbox"/> Film Selection<br><input type="checkbox"/> Grant Writing<br><input type="checkbox"/> Information Desk<br><input type="checkbox"/> Lighting (Stage)<br><input type="checkbox"/> Marquee Changing<br><input type="checkbox"/> MC for Shows<br><input type="checkbox"/> Merchandise Counter | <input type="checkbox"/> Organist<br><input type="checkbox"/> Pianist<br><input type="checkbox"/> Projection Booth<br><input type="checkbox"/> Publicity<br><input type="checkbox"/> Raffle Tickets (50/50)<br><input type="checkbox"/> Restoration<br><input type="checkbox"/> Security<br><input type="checkbox"/> Sound<br><input type="checkbox"/> Stage<br><input type="checkbox"/> Ticket Sales<br><input type="checkbox"/> Ticket Taker<br><input type="checkbox"/> Ushering<br><input type="checkbox"/> Wherever Needed |
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Please list any hobbies or other interests:

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Payment accompanied with this form:	Membership Dues (see above for amount due):	\$ _____
	ATOS (national) Dues—\$50 per year (optional):	\$ _____
	Donation (tax deductible):	\$ _____
	<b>TOTAL PAYMENT:</b>	<b>\$ _____</b>

I am hereby applying for membership in the Motor City Theatre Organ Society and agree to abide by the bylaws and rules of this organization.

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Please send completed form and dues to:

Membership    Motor City Theatre Organ Society    17360 Lahser Road    Detroit, MI 48219-2348



## **Membership in the Motor City Theatre Organ Society**

The Motor City Theatre Organ Society (MCTOS) is a group of organ enthusiasts affiliated with the American Theatre Organ Society (ATOS), who maintain and continue to restore the Redford Theatre, an 87- year- old building with a beautifully voiced Barton Theatre Pipe Organ in its original setting. The Theatre has been recognized as an historical site by both the State and Federal governments. Gifts to the MCTOS are tax deductible.

We are not all organists, and we don't all own home organs. Some of us see the Theater as a marvelous opportunity to save a unique atmospheric theater. We are restoring it to a working theater as near to its 1928 state as possible, while at the same time keeping stage, lighting, film, and sound equipment up to the changing standards of today's technology.

### **OUR THEATER IS OPERATED BY MEMBER VOLUNTEERS; WE HAVE NO EMPLOYEES**

The Theatre requires many working members, though you may see only a fraction of the membership during an event. The very wide range of ages (teens to eighties) shows there is something here to interest almost everyone. There is something for all talents, whether physically limited, elderly, inexperienced, professional or tinkerer.

We welcome new members who join to support our venture, play the organ, be working members and contribute time and encouragement and assist in the many projects necessary to raise funds, maintain the building, and present our shows to the public.

Theatre Organ Concerts and Silent Film presentations are the fun events of our Society. They occur five or six times a year and feature the finest artists. These concerts represent our commitment to presenting the theater pipe organ as it has evolved from the 1920s right up to the present.

We show a variety of movies, normally every other Friday and Saturday, to help fund the cost of renovations and building maintenance. Our volunteer crews clean up the theater each Thursday evening, with a minor clean-up after the Friday show.

Other crews operate the concession counter, stage, ticket booth, projection equipment, provide building security, and plan future shows. Member volunteers work on crafts: carpentry, electrical, air conditioning and heating, building restoration, and more. There is always something needing attention.

The Theatre is available to rent when we are not presenting our own shows. Our all volunteer staff will provide whatever support is necessary.

### **MEMBER PRIVILEGES - CLUB FUNCTIONS**

There are two levels of yearly renewable membership available for our members. Basic "Friend of the Redford" (\$25) and ATOS membership (additional \$50) which entitles you to voting and office holding at the Chapter/National level. Family memberships include spouse and minor children. The MCTOS usually has a picnic in the summer and occasional pot luck dinners through the year. Following shows or activities, groups of members often stop off at a convenient restaurant for snacks before heading home.

Our newsletter, THE BLOWER, keeps you informed of club activities. The beautiful Theatre Organ Journal of ATOS keeps you informed about theatre organ activities all over the country and the world.

The national organization, of which we are a participating chapter, sponsors an annual world convention every summer, hosted by a local chapter. We hosted the conventions here in Detroit in 1967, 1974, 1982, 1989 and 1995. Smaller regional conventions are also held, usually in the fall, by local chapters.

For member organists (amateurs or professional), the organ is available for practice.

We welcome the opportunity to discuss what we do, have done, and hope to do. Talk to anyone you see wearing the red MCTOS badge at the Theatre during any of our events.

To join by mail:  
MCTOS/Redford Theatre  
Membership Chair  
17360 Lahser Road  
Detroit, MI 48219-2348

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