

Fort Myers, Florida

We're getting our vaccine shots.
We've made our plans.
It's time to make yours!

Fantastic Collection Tours

Don't miss an opportunity to see the Southeast's premier collections of mechanical music. This is a once-in-a-lifetime chance to see and hear these marvelous instruments, live and in person. These are each "must see" collections.

The JANCKO Collections

Joel and Pam Jancko's "Backyard Museum" features a group of buildings each with a magical display of Americana from the Civil War through WWI. The Barn is where you will see and hear a wide variety of automatic musical instruments, including an Imhof & Mühle, Seeburg H, Wurlitzer CX, Double Mills Violano, Cremona K, Weber Unica, Encore Banjo, Model B Harp, Bruder band organ, Limonaire band organ, Bruder monkey organ, American Photo Player and classic Mortier, as well as a variety of cylinder and disc music boxes, organettes and phonographs. Also walk through a service station, fire station, bicycle shop, and cinema. In the Annex you will see rare military artifacts (including a working Gatling gun) and an authentic log cabin, general store, 1910 soda fountain, game room and saloon. Outside, explore the fort. Listen to a performance on the crown jewel of the collection - the OPUS 1616, a 3/23 Wurlitzer Theater Organ, installed in the newly constructed dance hall.

The EDGERTON Collection

Bill Edgerton's collection has it all - big and small. It includes four fairground organs (Gavioli, Bruder, Limonaire and Gasparini), a large Decap, an Ampico A piano with some unusual music choices, several special cylinder and disc boxes, barrel pianos and barrel organs, an Orpheus disc-playing piano, a Piano Melodico (one of the most ornate 65-note

This is going to be a GREAT convention!

Aug. 30 - Sept. 4, 2021

Amazing instruments! Workshops! The Mart!
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Registration forms for this meeting will be
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pianos ever made), and the 1876 Dufner Barrel orchestrion with nine barrels that is one of only three known Dufner instruments. Also see and hear his replica Seeburg KT Special nickelodeon, one of about 60 he manufactured in the 1980s! Tour his workshop and a display of mechanical music, automata and opera posters. You must see his framed artwork that smiles at you... then it doesn't!

The YAFFE Collection

Find a comfortable couch and enjoy Mark and Christel Yaffe's beautifully-appointed venue while listening to their large and varied group of instruments, including the earliest known Francois Nicole overture music box plus Falcone, Raymond Nicole, F Nicole and Nicole grand format overture boxes. Single overture boxes by Ducommun Girod, Mertert, and Nicole and a Captains table interchangeable overture cylinder box with 12 cylinders are on the menu. See rare and unique automata - a drunk on the bench, a Cambodian dancer (one of two known), a life size flute player, a Japanese mask seller and an acrobat. Don't forget the organs, an 84-key Mortier cafe, 112-key Mortier dance organ, 121-key DeCap dance organ plus European orchestrions (Marengi orchestrion, Welte style 3 in custom case, Weber Otero, Weber violano, Weber Unika, Popper Roland, Hupfeld universe with moving scene, Hupfeld Helios 1/31, Phillips Paganini 3 Orchestrion), custom art case pianos (Kanabe, Mason Hamlin and Chickering); the latest known Hupfeld Phonolizt Violina; American nickelodeons (Mills double violano in custom Gothic case, Encore original (not repo) banjo, Wurlitzer, Violano, Seeburg J with bird pipes, Nelson Wiggins 6x and 8x, Cremona J and G, Link with endless roll). And much more!

