2023-2024 | 124th Season

Sunday, October 29, at 5:00

Brett Miller Organ

A Film by F.W. Murnau

Nosferatu

Max Schreck Alexander Granach Gustav von Wangenheim Greta Schröder Georg H. Schnell Ruth Landshoff

Screenplay by

Henrik Galeen, after the novel by Bram Stoker

Original Score by

Hans Erdmann (reconstructed and adapted by Brett Miller)

Produced by

Enrico Dieckmann, Albin Grau

Directed by **F.W. Murnau**

A Prana Film Picture

This program runs approximately 1 hour, 30 minutes.

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Organist



As one of the youngest in a rare art form, **Brett Miller** is an active organist, conductor, and arranger specializing in the art of silent film accompaniment. A finalist in the American Theatre Organ Society's Young Organist Competition, he has continued his academic involvement and advocacy for the education and preservation of silent films through performance "live to picture." In spring 2021, he was appointed music director of the Empire Film and

Media Ensemble, a nonprofit based in Rochester, New York, that advocates for the education, performance, and production of film music. He was recently appointed artistic director of the organization and shares a close relationship between the ensemble and the Beal Institute for Film Music and Contemporary Media at the Eastman School of Music.

Mr. Miller's recent scores have been recorded with organizations such as the Eye Filmmuseum, the Friedrich-Wilhelm-Murnau Foundation, and Kino Lorber Studio Classics. He has been featured in the past at various film festivals and has played events in conjunction with film preservationists from the Library of Congress and the George Eastman House. He has also been a featured artist at The Philadelphia Orchestra and Kimmel Center, Inc.'s annual Organ Day, an event he attended as a young organist in the program's first year. He is a frequent recitalist at Boardwalk Hall in Atlantic City, playing the world's largest pipe organ.

Mr. Miller studied organ with Jelani Eddington and piano with Beth Crompton. He studied film accompaniment with Ben Model and Bernie Anderson. A native of Bedminster, Pennsylvania, he is an alumnus of the Philadelphia Youth Orchestra Institute. He is currently studying at the Eastman School of Music; he's also studying piano with Dr. Joseph Rackers.

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