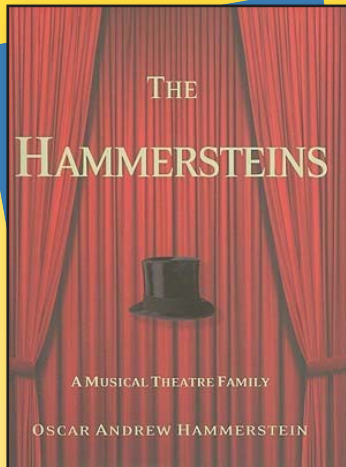


Save the Date

University of Delaware Library Associates
Thursday, April 10, 2014



2014 Annual Dinner with Oscar Andrew Hammerstein III

6 p.m. Hospitality hour

7 p.m. Dinner and program

Arsht Hall

University of Delaware, Wilmington

The featured speaker will be Oscar Andrew “Andy” Hammerstein III, a writer, lecturer, painter and family historian who will speak about his book, *The Hammersteins: A Musical Theatre Family*. Andy is the grandson of the famous lyricist Oscar Hammerstein II.

Oscar Andrew “Andy” Hammerstein III has devoted much of his life to studying and preserving his family’s heritage and its contribution to American culture, especially on the Hammerstein family’s significant role in the development of theatre and popular entertainment in the United States from the 1860s to the present.

The Hammersteins is the story of one of Broadway’s most creative and productive families. It begins in 1864 when Oscar Hammerstein I emigrated to the United States, established himself as a successful cigar merchant and then focused his efforts on the business of music and theaters. He built many theaters including the majestic New York city opera house and turned Times Square (then Longacre Square) into the theater capital of the world. His sons, Willie Hammerstein and Arthur Hammerstein, continued the nurture of such talents as Will Rogers, W.C. Fields, Al Jolson, Houdini, Charlie Chaplin and others.

Willie Hammerstein’s son, Oscar Hammerstein II, became one of the most perpetually triumphant lyricists, writing the story and words to many eminently renown Broadway shows including *Showboat*, *Oklahoma*, *South Pacific*, *Carousel*, *The King and I*, *The Sound of Music* and others.

Oscar Andrew “Andy” Hammerstein III serves on the faculty of Columbia University teaching courses at the graduate level in New York City theatre history and musical theatre history.

“Oscar Hammerstein II’s grandson . . . pays tribute to his lineage with an insightful and affectionate . . . book. The youngest Oscar, a family historian and university lecturer, recounts a legacy worthy of a great American clan . . .”
– *Publishers Weekly*



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Mark your calendars! The printed invitation will be mailed in March 2014. All members of the University of Delaware Library Associates will be sent an invitation. Other interested persons may send an email message to [UDLA@udel.edu] or call Library Administration at 302-831-2231 to request a printed invitation. Cost information will be forthcoming in the printed invitation.



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