

The **Regina Grand Music Box** was originally purchased in 1896 at a cost of \$250. Built with a solid mahogany case this exquisite music box plays a 27" disc.

The Regina Music Box Company was located in Rahway, NJ and in the early 1900s switched their emphasis to vacuum cleaners.



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Museum Hours

April 1 – October 31

Tuesday–Saturday 11:00AM to 4:00PM
Sunday 12:30PM to 4:00PM
CLOSED MOST MAJOR HOLIDAYS

November 1 – March 31

Open by Appointment. Call the museum at 814-432-8350 to make arrangements for off season admittance.

Admission

Adults	\$8.00
Sr. Citizens (60+)	\$7.00
High School/College	\$5.00
Elementary	\$3.00

Special rates for groups of 10 or more.

Hours and prices are subject to change without notice.

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DeBence Antique Music World
THE SEE AND HEAR MUSEUM



1261 Liberty Street
Franklin, PA 16323
(814)432-8350
www.debencemusicworld.com
On Route 8, 16 miles north of Interstate 80
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A Brief History

DeBence Antique Music World houses a collection of more than 250 antique mechanical musical instruments dating from the mid 1800's to the 1970's. This collection was begun by Jake & Elizabeth DeBence in the 1940's and has continued to grow through the years. In 1965 they moved to Franklin, PA and housed the collection in a barn, which they opened to the public. After Jake's death, a non-profit corporation was created and with support from the community and surrounding area, was able to raise the monies to purchase the collection. It now resides in the old G.C. Murphy building on Liberty Street.

Music Heard in the Home

Mechanical Music is defined as any music produced by other than human hands. Our collection of mechanical music for the home extends from 1850 music boxes through Edison and Victor phonographs up to the stereo vinyl LPs of the 1970s. It also includes an extensive radio collection starting with 1923 models.

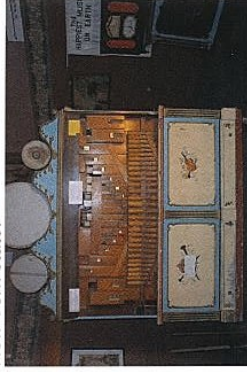


The **Air-Callo Callope** was manufactured in 1928 by the Artizan Factories, Inc. of North Tonawanda, NY. To our knowledge this is one of two still playing. Its active life started at Kenneywood Park in Pittsburgh.



The Wurlitzer 65 note Band Organ

Shipped from their North Tonawanda factory in 1930 this prototype embodied all that Wurlitzer had learned in 35 years of band organ building. Unfortunately its introduction was too late for the market, and this is the only one ever built. It started its career at a skating rink in New York state.



We are a small non-Profit

The IRS classifies us as a 501c3. We receive no government support at any level. Without our 40 volunteers we could not survive.

Some of the instruments in the collection are very rare.

The **BerryWood A.O.W. Orchestron** is the only one in the world still playing. It was manufactured by the BerryWood Piano Player Company of Kansas City. Introduced in 1912, this was the largest machine in the high-quality line of BerryWoods. Encased in teakwood and ornamented with art glass panels and lamps, the BerryWood A.O.W. boasts 34 wood flute pipes, castanets, crash cymbal, cymbal, triangle, bass and snare drums, a rim-drumming device, tambourine and mandolin, the equivalent of a ten-piece orchestra.

