



Andrew Carnegie Free Library & Music Hall

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Mr. Tom Landau
Landau Building Company
9855 Rinaman Road
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Dear Tom:

Rabbitt put the finishing touches on the Captain Thomas Espy Post No. 153 at 10:50 this morning, ten minutes before Tonia Caruso and WQED's *On Q Magazine* were scheduled to show up for filming.

The painstaking restoration of the Andrew Carnegie Free Library & Music Hall's Civil War room, the Espy Post, is momentous. This room truly is a national treasure. Our goal is that it be nationally recognized as such. When that happens – and it will – nothing bad will happen to the Library & Music Hall, and its Civil War room again. This room is that important to the country....

So I wanted to write you to say how very grateful we are that the Carnegie Carnegie's contractor and construction manager is Landau Building Company. This project is a labor of love for me, but working with John O'Brien, Jen Landau and Wayne Rabbitt has made me feel that it is a labor of love for them as well.

The Library & Music Hall has been working with Landau since 2004. And day in and day out, all I can say is thank goodness. There's the extraordinary incisiveness of John O'Brien. When we confront a problem and the rest of us are going round and round, John bears with us as long as he can, then says "Here's what I think we should do." More often than not, that's what we do. At the very least, the log jam is broken.

I don't know where we would be without Jen. I have such enormous respect for this woman who is my daughter's age, but brings a professionalism, expertise and gravitas to the task that consistently amaze me. She is my right arm when it comes to writing proposals and filing reports. I would be lost without her.

And then there is Rabbitt. There is such a degree of comfort and trust between us. (Contrary to rumors, we only bicker *occasionally*....) He takes extraordinary pride in his work, in the Library & Music Hall. We are in such good hands. And for upwards of five years now, it has been such a boon to have such a capable "man around the house." I probably don't want to spell out to you how much value added the Library & Music Hall gets with Rabbitt as superintendent on this project.

Come on over and see the Espy Post. It will make you so proud.

Sincerely,

Margaret J. Forbes
Executive Director/Campaign Manager