Newsletter of the Eugene Chapter of the American Guild of Organists

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## LETTER FROM YOUR DEAN

Dear AGO Friends,

Last Sunday afternoon we began our program year with a Hymn Festival at First United Methodist Church. This beautifully crafted program of hymns, readings, bell choir and adult choir anthems was presented in celebration of the beginning of the 20<sup>th</sup> year of Concerts at First, as well as the beginning of Eugene AGO program year.

Our thanks to Brad Schultz, who selected an amazing array of hymns of every style, researched and wrote the meaningful readings about each of the hymns, prepared and directed the choir, and accompanied the hymn singing with delightful creativity. Supporting the theme, "Through the Church, the Song Goes On", we sang hymns of Praise, Prayer, Lament, Community, Justice, and Thanks, the poignant hymn texts well-highlighted by hymn accompaniments. It was a wonderful way to begin our program year, both educational, and inspiring.

Whether you are an accomplished organist, a trained choir director, a novice musician, or just a fan of organ and choir music, the American Guild of Organists is an organization you can get behind. Our aim is to support and encourage the appreciation of pipe organ and choral music by hosting performances and educational events. Membership is possible at the national level, which includes a subscription to The American Organist magazine, or the local level, giving you our monthly newsletter and access to local programming. In addition, we publish an annual directory with the names of chapter officers and members, as well as a list of organist substitutes. In order to keep our directory accurate, we will be calling members to confirm their directory information before publishing. The directories will be printed and available at our Oct. Pipescreams event, so now is the time to get current with your membership! To renew or become a Eugene Chapter AGO member, just go online:

#### New member:

https://ago.networkats.com/members\_online/ members/ago\_new\_member.asp

Renewing members: https://www.agohq.org/oncard-login/

If you are a student who would like assistance with your membership fee, please go to our Eugene AGO website and click on RE-SOURCES. There is a student subsidy application form you can fill out and submit.

Barbara Baird, Dean



## PIPESCREAMS

Perhaps we'll be moving from the sublime to the ridiculous with our next Eugene AGO program, PipeScreams.

Our 16<sup>th</sup> annual Halloween concert will be held at Central Presbyterian Church, 555 E. 15<sup>th</sup> Ave., in Eugene, on Friday, Oct. 25, at 7:30 PM. Once again, our terribly talented local AGO members will present SPOOKY and SILLY organ music, including terrifying toccatas, and haunting harmonies.

Don't miss this ghoulishly good time! Come, invite a friend, and wear your goofiest costume! It's our one fundraising event of the year, which helps us support the radio program, "The Organ Loft," which airs every Sunday on KWAX.

Please note the change of starting time.

Please print out and post the PipeScreams poster sent with this newsletter where your friends and interested parties might see it.

## ORGANIST JOB OPENINGS

**First Christian Church, Eugene**, is looking for both an Organist / Choir Accompanist (10 hours/week, 12 months/year) and Handbell Choir Director (3 hours/week, Sept. to mid-June).

For more information contact:

Nancy Anderson, Choir Director, (541) 335-9867 nanderso55@gmail.com

**First Church of Christ, Scientist, Springfield** ~ Organist needed to start in January. One Sunday morning service (one and a half hours required at church): includes prelude, offertory, postlude and three hymns. We do not have a choir.

For more information, contact:

Jonquil Cole, Music Chairman at 541-747-7158 or at <u>Jonncole@comcast.com</u>

## FREE - ORGANIST MODESTY SCREEN

This picture shows the backside of an iron frame that had a tapestry on the front side and served as a modesty screen for an organ located front and center in the church. It is no longer needed, and is available to move to a new home.

Please contact Susanne Giordano <<u>susangio@comcast.net</u>> for additional information





The Organ Loft is a radio program about choral and organ music, particularly music of the Pacific Northwest. The program is hosted by Roger Sherman,

the Associate Organist of St. Mark's Cathedral in Seattle. The Organ Loft features music of Pacific Northwest choirs, organs, composers and organ builders. The programming is half organ, and half choral music.

This program is underwritten and sponsored by your Eugene AGO Chapter on KWAX-FM and the University of Oregon radio network (webcast: KWAX-FM Homepage) on Sundays at 6 PM.

Eugene, 91.1 KWAX-FM Florence, 91.5 KWVZ-FM

Redmond, 88.5 KWRX-FM Canyonville, 92.3 KWRZ-FM

and on these translators:

Bend 98.9 Cottage Grove 101.9 Salem 92.9
Newport 91.3 Reedsport 90.9 Roseburg 97.9
Sunriver 90.9 Sutherlin-Oakland 107.1 Glide 105.3

### UPCOMING EVENTS

SATURDAY, October 5, 10 am - 12 noon, workshop by David Hurd at Portland's Trinity Cathedral in the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor choir room, on "**The hymnody of David Hurd.**" David is the Organist and Music Director of the Episcopal Church of Saint Mary the Virgin, Times Square, New York City, and one of America's most renowned church musicians. All are welcome, and admission is free.

SUNDAY, October 6, 10 am Eucharist at Trinity Cathedral. Trinity Choir singing music by David Hurd SUNDAY, October 6, 4:30 pm **Organ Recital at Trinity Cathedral** by David Hurd

SUNDAY, October 6, 5 pm Evensong at Trinity Cathedral. Cathedral Choir, David Hurd conducting

October 27, 4:00 PM, **organ concert** at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 1444 Liberty St. SE, Salem, by **Gail Archer**, Organist and Music Faculty at Columbia University, NY. To raise funds for Batten Disease Research, Ms. Archer will present music by J.S. Bach, Mary Howe, and Max Reger. Suggested Donation, \$25. Tickets at the door.

#### WESTERN EARLY KEYBOARD ASSOCIATION:

Flights of Fancy: Music by Byrd, Frescobaldi and Bach with **Gregory Crowell** from Grand Rapids, MI Sunday, November 20, 2019, 2-4pm at Reed College in Portland, OR

All My Children: the Bach Legacy with Julia Brown from Grand Rapids, MI

Saturday, February 15, 2020, 2-4pm at Reed College in Portland, OR

### WITH HEART AND VOICE

With Heart and Voice is a radio program that spans the full range of Western classical music from the Gothic period through the 21st century. There are occasional surprises from the non-western tradition. The program is hosted by Peter DuBois, an active organist who teaches at the Eastman School of Music. This program originates from Rochester, New York, and is broadcast Sundays, 11 am and 7 pm on KWAX-FM.

## PIPE DREAMS ON KWAX-FM

Michael Barone, host of Pipe Dreams is heard on KWAX-FM on Sunday mornings at 10 a.m. and at 8 pm. This program's presentation on KWAX-FM is underwritten by the Eugene Chapter of the AGO. The program can also be heard anytime streaming on the world-wide web. More details at: www.pipedreams.publicradio.org.

# AGO EUGENE CHAPTER

2019 -2020 Schedule

Friday, October 25 - 7:30 pm

Pipe Screams Concert/KWAX Fundraiser
Central Presbyterian Church of Eugene
Coordinator: Barbara Baird

Saturday, November 16 10:30 - 2:30 pm

Orgelbüchlein Masterclass, George Ritchie
St. Andrew Lutheran Church, Beaverton
Coordinator: Barbara Baird

Fridays, December 6, 13, 20 12:00 noon

Advent Recital Series

First United Methodist Church of Eugene
Coordinator: Brad Schultz, Concerts at First

Sunday, January 26, 3:00 pm

King of Instruments - Member Recital

First United Methodist Church of Eugene

Coordinator: Richard Guy

Tuesday, February 18, 2:00 - 4:00 pm Masterclass - Guy Bovet residency Spanish Baroque Organ Music Beall Concert Hall - Univ. of Oregon Coordinator: Barbara Baird

Thursday, February 20, 7:30 pm
Organ Recital - Guy Bovet
Beall Concert Hall - Univ. of Oregon
Coordinator: Barbara Baird

Friday, February 21, 7:30 pm

Harpsichord Recital - Guy Bovet

Berwick Hall - Univ. of Oregon

Coordinator: Barbara Baird

Saturdays, Feb. 29; Mar. 7, 14, 21, 28; Apr. 4 4:00 pm Lenten Recital Series Episcopal Church of the Resurrection, Eugene Coordinator: Barbara Baird

Tuesday, May 19 - 7:30 pm

Musicking Conference Performance

Kraig Scott, Organist

Central Lutheran Church

Coordinator: Brad Schultz

June - time / date t. b. a.

End of the year Business Meeting

## **UPCOMING LOCAL CONCERTS**

Monday, October 7, 7:30 pm - *Baroque Friendships*. Chamber Music Amici. Wildish Community Theatre, Springfield. Tix call (541) 953-9204

**Saturday, October 12, 7:30 pm - Oregon Mozart Players** *Explore New Wor*lds with the **Delgani String Quartet.** Preconcert talk begins at 6:45 pm in room 163. U of O Beall Hall. Call (541) 346-4363 for tix.

**Thursday, October 16, 7:30 pm** - Concert by the **Eugene Symphony Orchestra,** Silva Hall, Hult Center. Program includes Mendelssohn *Concerto for 2 Pianos*, and Mahler *Symphony No. 1, the "Titan."* Tix at Hult Center Box Office

Sunday, October 20, 4:00 pm - An Afternoon of Bach Dr. Andrew ElRay Stewart-Cook leads the Central Chamber Orchestra in the *Double Violin Concerto*, with Pilar Bradsaw and Andy Strietelmeier soloists, and the *Coffee Cantata*. Central Lutheran Church in Eugene. Cash Donations to Food for Lane County.

**Sunday, November 3, 7:30 pm** - **Brad Foley** and friends Saxophone Recital, with Barbara Baird accompanist. Free. U of O Beall Hall.

Sunday, November 10, 3pm - African Music and Dance Concerts at First and First United Methodist Church invite you to an afternoon of African music and dance performed by drummers, dancers, and marimba players in a benefit concert for the Mothers and Children's Medical Center for Uganda. A dessert auction will follow the concert.

- Karen Williamson

# ONCARD MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

Membership renewal reminders have been e-mailed from our national office in New York. Check your e-mail for the letter in case you missed it. The procedure for payment is clearly explained in the e-mail. Payment can be made by credit or debit card online. If you have questions, or need assistance, you can call (212) 870 - 2310 and they will help you with the process.

If you are more comfortable sending a check, it can be sent by mail to:
American Guild of Organists
475 Riverside Drive, Suite 1260
New York, NY 10115

Please note that the check should be made out to the American Guild of Organists, NOT the Eugene Chapter.

Current member categories are: Regular Member (\$105), Young Organists (\$50), Special, 65 and older (\$80). Chapter Friends are \$35. All members receive The American Organist magazine by default. If you wish to opt out of receiving the paper copy by mail, you can do so by indicating ... and save \$8. The magazine can be read on-line at: https://www.agohq.org/current-issue/