

CRESCENDO

DALLAS CHAPTER OF THE AMERICAN GUILD OF ORGANISTS

September 2017

Inside

Dean's Letter	1
2017-2018 Chapter Programs.....	2
Dallas Area Musical Events	3
Education / Certification.....	4
Special Event: Hymn Society	5
University Events	6
Employment Opportunities	7
Submission/Address Info	8

From the Dean

The 2017 Regional Convention was a tremendous success – 327 attendees from 24 states, Hong Kong, Canada and Norway. The post-convention evaluation, taken by 157 attendees, affirmed what many of us felt that week - 92% indicated that they were “very satisfied” with the convention. The written comments were effusive with praise and appreciation to the steering committee and the chapter for crafting a truly memorable experience. Not surprising, 87% of the respondents indicated that Dallas should host a National Convention. Great! But, how about a long break first?

Now, we come out of the post-convention haze and begin a new year of chapter programming. Three outstanding recitals, masterclasses, worship, a lecture marking the 500th anniversary of the Protestant Reformation, plus other events are on tap. Let's build upon the communal energy from the convention, and join in for all that there is to experience in this new year of activities.

See you soon!
Michael

AGO
Dallas Chapter

2017-18 Dallas Chapter AGO Events

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

CHAPTER WORSHIP SERVICE

Canyon Creek Presbyterian Church
3901 North Star Road, Richardson, 75082

6:00p Social time

6:30p Dinner* & Chapter Meeting

7:30p Worship Service led by:
Rev. Jeff Hall,
Sr. Pastor of Cochran Chapel UMC,
and chapter members

***Dinner Menu - \$20/person**

[Reservations required by noon, 9/21]

Rosemary Roasted Pork Tenderloin
Fingerling Potatoes with Sea Salt and Butter
Grilled Asparagus
Feta Field Green Salad with Candied Pecans and
Craisins
Homemade Yeast rolls and Butter
Chocolate Ganache Cake
Ice Tea, Water, and Coffee

Reservation contact:

Charlene Dorsey
Phone: 817.277.2859
Email: dorseycpd11@msn.com
Include your name and # of reservations

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 10

RTA RECITAL: THOMAS OSPITAL

St. Thomas Aquinas
6306 Kenwood Ave, Dallas, 75214

7:30p Recital

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12

NEIGHBORHOOD RECITAL

Temple Emanu-el
8500 Hillcrest Ave, Dallas, 75225

3:00p Recital

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 13

PROTESTANT REFORMATION AT 500

Episcopal School of Dallas Chapel
4100 Merrell Rd, Dallas, 75229

7:00p Presentation by Stefan Engels and
Benjamin Kolodziej
Program about Reformation and German
influences in worship and music

MONDAY, JANUARY 8, 2018

SOCIAL EVENT

Location & Time TBD

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 6

RTA RECITAL: JANETTE FISHELL

Caruth Auditorium, SMU Campus
Owens Arts Center, 6101 Bishop, Dallas 75205

(Co-sponsored by SMU)

7:30 p Recital

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 7

MASTERCLASS BY JANETTE FISHELL

Caruth Auditorium, SMU Campus

9:00a -12 noon

(Masterclass open to the public; participants will
need to register in advance. Info to follow.)

SATURDAY, MARCH 17 (All-day event)

VISIT TO AMERICAN ORGAN INSTITUTE

UNIV. OF OKLAHOMA

Travel to AOI at University of Oklahoma to visit
the workshop and artisans

SUNDAY, APRIL 8

NEIGHBORHOOD RECITAL

Custer Road UMC
6601 Custer Rd, Plano, 75023

3:00p Recital

TUESDAY, MAY 15

RTA RECITAL: MARTIN JEAN

Highland Park Presbyterian Church
3821 University Blvd, Dallas, 75205

(Co-sponsored by HPPC)

6:00p Social time

6:30p Dinner

7:30p Recital

WEDNESDAY, MAY 16

MASTERCLASS BY MARTIN JEAN

Highland Park Presbyterian Church
3821 University Blvd, Dallas, 75205

10a-noon

Upcoming Dallas Area Music Events

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 7:30P

KATIE MINION, MASTER'S DEGREE RECITAL

Highland Park United Methodist Church,
3300 Mockingbird Ln, Dallas 75205

Free. Info: click [here](#)

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 7:00P

SILENT FILM WITH ORGAN: THE HUNCHBACK OF NOTRE DAME (1923)

Christ the Servant Lutheran Church, Allen
Benjamin Kolodziej, organist
Free Admission

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2:30P

ORGAN RECITAL, CELEBRATING NEW ORGAN IMPROVEMENTS

Midway Hills Christian Church,
11001 Midway Road, Dallas 75229

John O'Neal, director of music; Greg Nunn, organist. Several musicians will contribute to this varied program.

Consider staying for Jazz Vespers at 5:00 pm featuring the Dallas Jazz Quartet under the direction of Charles Winslow.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 7:00P

RAUL RAMIREZ, ORGANIST

Christ UMC Plano, 3101 Coit Road, Plano 75075

Ramirez has been featured at both regional and national AGO Conventions and is rapidly gaining the reputation as one of the premier organists on the circuit today. Visit his website to see photos and video clips: <http://www.raulprietoramirez.net>

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2:30P

BAYLOR PLAYS BACH

Zion Lutheran Church, 6121 East Lovers Lane, Dallas

Isabelle Demers and her students perform J.S. Bach's *ClavierÜbung*

Attendees will also have the opportunity to sing these chorales of the Reformation.

Free admission. Reception following.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 13, 7:30P

ORPHEUS CHAMBER SINGERS WITH SCOTT DETTRA, ORGANIST

Church of the Incarnation, 3966 McKinney Ave., Dallas 75204

Purchase Tickets: click [here](#)

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22, 4:30P

VOICE RECITAL BY BROOKE CLARK GIBSON

Lovers Lane United Methodist Church, Shipp Chapel

FREE. Info: click [here](#), or 214-706-9589.

RECITAL SERIES at THE MEYERSON

Meyerson Symphony Center

2301 Flora Street

Dallas, TX 75201

Sunday, 10/15/17 at 2:30pm

Michel Bouvard – Organ

Sunday, 2/11/18 at 2:30pm

Isabelle Demers – Organ

Sunday, 4/22/18 at 2:30pm

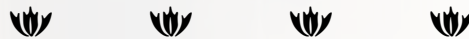
Ken Cowan – Organ

Cost for each is \$20 when you contact Jena Tunnell at 214-871-4025 or j.tunnell@dalsym.com

Education / Certification

Have you considered the possibility of discovering new paths to strengthen organ- and service-playing skills? If so, guild exams offer a great opportunity to accomplish those goals! Dallas Chapter AGO's first Guild Exam meeting will be held Sunday, September 17 at 3:00 PM, at Lovers Lane United Methodist Church (9200 Inwood Road; NE corner of Inwood @ NW Hwy, Dallas) in the Sanctuary rear balcony. This first session will include an introduction into each of the 2018 exams, plus sharing of hymn-playing and sight-reading tips, led by Christine Bouton. So that we will have enough materials, please contact Sheryl Sebo at: [slebo@verizon.net](mailto:ssebo@verizon.net) or ssebo@llumc.org; 972-849-1950.

The second meeting, Sunday, October 22 at 3:00 PM, at the same location, will deal with other keyboard skills and repertoire. Guild exam meetings are open to all ages and skill levels - anyone is welcome, and refreshments will be served!



We are excited to announce that Dallas Chapter AGO member, Ethan Gainer, achieved his FAGO certification this past May, 2017, and won the FAGO prize for the highest overall score in the exam. With that comes a gift of \$600. He self-studied in preparation for his guild exams, using past exams and available articles and prepared materials by our national certification team. Congratulations to Ethan on this major achievement!

Ethan is Organist/Assistant Director of Music for Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Church in Rockwall, Texas and has 18 years of experience as a church musician, with long years of accompanying experience as well. In 2015 he also won the top prize for the CAGO certification. Ethan holds a Bachelor of Music degree from Texas A&M University, with piano performance as his major instrument, and organ as secondary instrument, studying under Dr. John Burkett. Ethan lives in Greenville, Texas with his wife, Mary, and two young sons, John-Michael and James. You will be able to celebrate with Ethan and get better acquainted with him at our opening AGO meeting, September 25. Kudos, Ethan!



Sacred Music Courses: University of North Texas

At the University of North Texas in Denton, Dr. Jesse Eschbach, Professor of Organ, and Dr. Charles S. Brown, instructor in Sacred Music, announce a new Sacred Music sequence of four courses: (1) an introduction to the contexts of Western religious worship (called "The Languages of Worship"), and three courses where each course covers one of three historical periods in Western worship practices: (1) antiquity to 1510; (2) 1510 to 1820; and (3) 1820 to the present day. The evolution of ritual musical elements is at the center of each of these courses. Each of the courses is self-contained and there are no prerequisites.

The course being offered this fall is (1) "Languages of Worship." The first class session is September 1 at 1:00 p.m.

The courses can be taken for credit at either the graduate or undergraduate level. It is also possible to audit the classes. And we would very much like to have visitors at any of the individual class meetings. The classes meet on Fridays 1:00 p.m. – 3:50 p.m. in the Organ Recital Hall (Room 253) in the Music Building, 415 Avenue C, Denton, TX 76203. Note that the journey up 35-E to Denton is now much easier with the completion of toll lanes as well as improvements in the regular traffic flow.

For information regarding these courses and individual class meetings, please contact Dr. Brown at 214-499-7044 or by e-mail at: fantzi@msn.com

THE CENTER FOR CONGREGATIONAL SONG LAUNCH EVENT

HARMONY

DALLAS, TEXAS / OCTOBER 15-16 2017

The church's song is what gives voice to our praise and thanksgiving to God, and the 21st century is an exciting time to be singing. Join us as we launch our ground-breaking resource center and envision the future of congregational song.

Whether you're a pastor, church musician, student, choir member, or a congregation member passionate about the church's song, you'll want to be there to sing and learn with us.

OCTOBER

15

SUNDAY
AFTERNOON

TO

MONDAY
EVENING

OCTOBER

16

THE ROOM ON MAIN / HOTEL INDIGO
DOWNTOWN DALLAS, TEXAS

\$95

*EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION
for a limited time*

REGISTER NOW

harmony-conference.kickoffpages.com

To receive the "Early Bird Registration" price, enter discount code

DALLASAGO



Area University Organ News & Information



WELCOME to the following new students at SMU:

Joshua Boyd, MM in Organ Performance
Organ Scholar at the Church of the Incarnation, Dallas

Nicholas Halbert, MM in Organ Performance
Assistant Organist at the Church of the Transfiguration,
Dallas

Ivan Tatarinov, Performers Diploma in Organ Performance
Organ Scholar at St. Thomas Aquinas, Dallas

Dr. Patrick Parker, Artist Diploma in Organ Performance
Minister of Music and Organist at Good Shepherd Episcopal Church in Lake Charles, LA

Yunjung Lee, Graduate Student in Organ Performance at SMU Meadows School of the Arts, Wins First Prize at Inaugural Asia International Organ Competition in Taiwan Award includes \$3,000 and a winner's recital in China
[Click here to read the full story](#)

FALL DATES 2017

Thursday, October 19,

7:30p Organ Studio Fall Recital I

Sunday, October 22,

7:00p Organ Recital Stefan Engels,
Church of the Transfiguration

Thursday, November 2

7:30p Emerging Artists Recital Series: Fall Concert

Thursday, November 16

7:30p Organ Studio Fall Recital II



Tuesday, September 5, 7:30p UNT: Studio 253
Travelogue and discussion of historic French organs visited this past June-July by Dr. Eschbach

Tuesday, September 12, 7:30p UNT: Studio 253
Andrew Segrest and Samuel Gaskin discuss their summer experiences in France.

Tuesday, September 19, 7:30p UNT: Main Auditorium
Tour of the UNT Bedient French classical organ. Preparation for Couperin Messe pour les Paroisses performances.

Tuesday, September 26, 7:30p UNT: Main Auditorium
Lecture: Tonal characteristics of the Parisian organ in the 17th century.

Tuesday, October 3, 7:30p UNT: Main Auditorium
Lecture: Basic concepts of registration in 17th century France.

Tuesday, October 10, 7:30p UNT: Main Auditorium
Lecture: Approaches to unequal notes values in French music with study of notated examples of Jullien and Gigault (1685).

Tuesday-Friday, October 17-20: University of Kansas AGO Pedagogy Conference.
Car pool with us to Lawrence and hear lectures and performances by Bouvard, Dubois, Latry, Mme Decourt, Dr. Stevlingon and others.

Tuesday, October 24, 7:30p, UNT: Main Auditorium
Lecture: New concepts of articulation in 17th century France: renaissance roots vs. melodic melismas.

Friday, November 17, 8:00p. UNT: Main Auditorium
Performance of Messe pour les Paroisses of Francois Couperin with alternatum plainsong.

Sunday, February 11, 2018, 8:00p
Christ the King Catholic Church, Dallas
Performance of Messe pour les Paroisses of Francois Couperin with alternatum plainsong.

Employment Opportunities

Position Title: Minister of Music

Organization Name/address: Oak Cliff Presbyterian Church, 6000 So Hampton, Dallas 75232

Job Type: Part-time # of hours/week: 25

Organization Website: <http://www.ocpres.com/>

For more information: click [here](#)

Position Title: Organist/Accompanist

Organization Name: Buckingham United Methodist Church, Garland

Job Type: Part-time # of hours/week: not listed

Organization Website:

<http://www.bumcgarland.org/>

For more information: click [here](#)

Position Title: Director of Music Ministries

Organization Name: St. Monica Parish

Job Type: Full-time # of hours/week: not listed

Organization Website: <http://stmonicachurch.org/>

For more information: click [here](#)

Position Title: Director of Music

Organization Name: Crown of Life Lutheran Church, Colleyville

Job Type: Full-time # of hours/week: not listed

Organization Website:

<http://www.crownoflife.church/index.cfm>

For more information: click [here](#)

Position Title: Organist

Organization Name: United Disciples Christian Church, Richardson

Job Type: Part-time # of hours/week: not listed

Organization Website:

<http://www.udcctx.org/home.html>

For more information: click [here](#)

2017-2018 CHAPTER OFFICERS

Dean: Michael Shake, mshake@kingofglory.com

Sub-Dean: Bradley Reznicek

Secretary: Larry McCain, SPC

Treasurer: David Brown

Membership Secretary: Nancy N. Laine, AAGO

Historian: Chris Brunt

Parliamentarian: Rev. Kathryn E. Johnson

Auditors: Phyllis M. Beck, SPC; David L. Rodgers

Executive Committee Members At Large

3 years:

Jeffrey Brummel, Katie Minion, John Tarver

2 years:

Christine E. Bouton, CAGO; Dr. Yoon-Mi Lim; Graham Schultz, AAGO

1 year:

Barbara A. Clark, SPC; Carlene Rebecca (Becky) Peal-Sconce; Jordan Peek

Chaplain: Rev. JoNell Lindh

Honorary Dean: Canon Dr. Paul Lindsley Thomas, FAGO

COMMITTEE DIRECTORS

Communications: Jordan Peek

Crescendo Newsletter: Scott Ayers

Education, Certification & College Liaison:

Dr. Sheryl L. Sebo

Education Projects: TBD

Finance and Investments: David Brown

Hospitality: Charlene Polivka-Dorsey, CAGO, SPC

Neighborhood Recitals: Chris Brunt

Placement: Sam Eatherton

Program: Bradley Reznicek

Recital Series: Graham Schultz, AAGO

Scholarships: Joe Snyder

Webmaster: Jordan Smith

Yearbook: Jody Lindh

Important Submissions and Address Correction Information

NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS

Submissions to for the Crescendo must be submitted by the online forms listed below:

- Employment Opportunities: click [here](#)
- Dallas Area Music Events: [here](#)

Events will follow this example:

EVENT DATE

EVENT NAME

Event Location (please include street address and zip code)

Event Description (BRIEF! Not to exceed 35 words)

Event web address (link to online flyer for information or printing)

Questions? Email dallas.crescendo@gmail.com Submission deadline is 20th of month prior to publication.



If you or someone you know has recently changed email addresses, please email the member's name and new contact information to:

dallas.crescendo@gmail.com