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# The Guild



The Newsletter of the Columbus Chapter of the American Guild of Organists

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*The American Guild of Organists promotes the organ in its historic and evolving roles, encourages excellence in the performance of organ and choral music, and provides a forum for the mutual support, inspiration, education, and certification of Guild members.*

## Three Workshops for Church Musicians

Saturday, October 30  
9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon

Central College Presbyterian Church, 975 South Sunbury Road

8:30 Coffee and Doughnuts

9:00 **Choral Conducting**

*James Gallagher, Professor, Ohio State University*

10:00 **Registration Techniques and Organizing Presets**

*John Schuder, Organist, St. John's Lutheran Church, Grove City*

11:00 **Practice Techniques that Work**

*Janet Linker, Organ Professor, Capital University*

This series of workshops will address practical considerations for church musicians. The first session is devoted to conducting techniques. Popular conductor and clinician James Gallagher will lead the session. He will ask participants to read through several anthems and point out ways to get the most out of volunteer singers.

The second session will address an issue facing organists every week: registration. Organist John Schuder will share principles of effective registration and guidelines for organizing presets. This workshop is designed to help you get the most out of your instrument. Relatively new to our chapter, Dr. Schuder held church and synagogue positions in New York City and Westchester County, and for many years was on the organ faculty at Manhattan School of Music and the Columbia University Teacher's College. He holds degrees from Union Theological Seminary (SMM) and The Juilliard School (DMA).

Finally, Janet Linker will present a session on effective practice techniques. She will draw on her long experience as an organ professor as she offers suggestions on making the most out of your practice time.

All members and guests are welcome to attend. To assist us in arranging for refreshments, it would be helpful if you would notify Mark Meuser (mmeuser@hotmail.com) of your plans to attend.

*We hope to see you there!*

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## At a Glance

### Three Workshops for Church Musicians

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9:00 a.m. — Noon

Central College Presbyterian Church  
975 South Sunbury Road  
Westerville 43081

Clinicians include James Gallagher, Janet Linker, and John Schuder.

### Solos, Duets, and Tutti

Monday, November 15  
7:30 p.m.

St. Michael Church  
5750 North High Street  
Worthington 43085

Performers include James Bobb, Yun Kim, and The Choral Scholars of St. Luke's, Granville, under the direction of Scott Hayes.

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## Region V Convention

### Racing to Lexington

*Bluegrass, Bourbon, and now Bach.*

**June 12-15, 2011**

Carla Edwards, Jack Mitchener  
Yun Kim, Nicole Keller  
Ken Cowan  
Philip Brisson  
Lexington Chamber Chorale  
David Briggs

[www.2011LexingtonAGO.com](http://www.2011LexingtonAGO.com)



*Julia Richardson Parker*

## The Dean's List: Your AGO Dues at Work

- Alex Armstrong: POE in Bloomington, IN
- Josh Brodbeck: AGO National Convention in DC
- Jennifer Stadler: POE Plus in Winchester, VA
- Jordan Werring: POE Plus in Winchester, VA

This month's Dean's List shows the names of four students who represent the now and future of organists in central Ohio. Each of these students applied for and received a scholarship from the Columbus Chapter to defray the expenses of attending and participating in the AGO summer event of his/her choice.

According to Alex, the experience was so enjoyable that he is "looking forward to attending one next year." Josh related in a conversation that he was able to play the organ at the National Cathedral and "that was real exciting!" He thanks the chapter for its support. Jennifer's thank-you note to us shared that she "learned a great deal about registration and organ construction, since I studied on a different organ every day." She further stated that she learned practical things regarding repertoire, hymn-playing and improvisation, some of which "I have already used in my new church position." In her note, Jordan thanked the Chapter for the opportunity to see and hear multiple organs in concert during the week. She then writes that she was "thrilled to meet such a variety of musicians" during her weeklong stay.

We see from their comments that the AGO statement of purpose — to promote the organ...to encourage excellence in performance...to provide a forum for mutual support, inspiration, and education... — has already had an influence on Alex, Josh, Jennifer and Jordan. As Dean, I congratulate these students for expressing an interest, making application and following through by attending the program each chose. We, as the Columbus Chapter-AGO, are happy we could help you! We look forward to the November Chapter meeting, when we can recognize you and greet you.

## November Program

**Monday, November 15 – 7:30 p.m.**

*Solos, Duets, and Tutti*

*St. Michael Church, 5750 North High Street, Worthington*

Yun Kim, Organist/Choirmaster of Christ Church, Dayton, and chapter member Jamie Bobb, Minister of Music at First Congregational Church, Columbus, will each perform separately and then combine for two duets. The Choral Scholars from St. Luke's Episcopal Church, Granville, directed by chapter member Scott Hayes, will sing a large work with organ accompaniment. Then the whole audience will join in on a hymn. The organ at St. Michael Church has recently been rebuilt, with additions and total revoicing, by the Muller Pipe Organ Company, sponsor of this concert. A free-will offering will be taken to benefit the Honor Flight charity — more about that next month.

## Recitals & Concerts

### Congregational Concerts: James E. Bobb, organ

*Sunday, Sept. 26, 4:00 p.m. / First Congregational Church  
444 E. Broad Street, Columbus 43215*

Minister of Music James E. Bobb opens the 37<sup>th</sup> season of Congregational Concerts on the von Beckerath and Kimball organs with music of Bach, Duruflé, Reger, and Edwin Lemare's transcription of Saint-Saëns' *Danse Macabre*.

### Pomerium performing *Musica Vaticana: Music for Renaissance Popes*

*Sunday, Oct. 3, 3:00 p.m. / St. Joseph Cathedral  
212 E. Broad Street, Columbus 43215 / 614.241.2526*

Inspired by the renowned chapel choirs of the Renaissance, Pomerium revives the golden age of a *cappella* singing. The ensemble, featuring some of the finest singers in the country and acclaimed for its luminous sound, performs frequently in New York, as well as across the USA and abroad. [www.pomerium.com](http://www.pomerium.com)

### Tuesdays at First: James E. Bobb, harpsichord

*Tuesday, Oct. 5, 12:15 p.m. / First Congregational Church  
444 E. Broad Street, Columbus 43215*

Tuesdays at First is a series of half-hour recitals at 12:15 followed by homemade lunch (\$5 donation for lunch) on Tuesdays in October.

### First Thursday Noontime Organ Recital Series:

#### Carol Hallenbeck and Sally Casto

*Thursday, Oct. 7, 12:15 p.m. / Asbury United Methodist Church  
55 W. Lincoln Avenue, Delaware 43015*

Carol (St. Peter's Episcopal) and Sally (Asbury UMC) will share a recital, celebrating their 35<sup>th</sup> anniversaries at their respective churches. Recitals are from 12:15 to 12:45 with coffee and tea provided for those wishing to bring lunch.

### Frederick Swann: Service Playing Workshop

*Saturday, Oct. 9, 10:00 a.m.-12:00 noon / Westminster Presbyterian Church  
125 N. Wilkinson Street, Dayton 45402*

Presented by the Dayton Chapter AGO, all are welcome at this free workshop!

### Recital Commemorating the 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Johannes Klais Organ

*Saturday, Oct. 9, 8:00 p.m. / Gray Chapel Auditorium  
on the Main Campus of Ohio Wesleyan University  
South Sandusky Street, Delaware 43015 / 740.368.3700*

Thomas Brown, the Minister of Music for University Presbyterian Church in Chapel Hill, North Carolina, is a concert organist and pianist, as well as an award-winning composer and improviser. His performance on the Rexford C. Keller Memorial Organ is sponsored by the Homer D. Blanchard Memorial Organ Recital Series and is free to the public. Mr. Brown's program will include works by Bach, Gigout, Widor, and Dupré.

### Byron Stripling, Bobby Floyd Jazz Ensemble

*Sunday, Oct. 10, 7:30 p.m. / Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church  
100 E. Schrock Road, Westerville 43081*

### Frederick Swann: Memorial Organ Concert

*Sunday, Oct. 10, 4:00 p.m. / Westminster Presbyterian Church  
125 N. Wilkinson Street, Dayton 45402*

Presented by the Dayton Chapter AGO, all are welcome at this free concert. Swann is Organist Emeritus of the Crystal Cathedral and of the First Congregational Church of Los Angeles, and Organ Artist-in-Residence at St. Margaret's Episcopal Church in Palm Desert, California.

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## Let's Celebrate!

### The Columbus Chapter will celebrate 100 years in 2016.

Much of our history is missing.  
We are looking for...

*Historical AGO records and  
minutes*

*Programs from early recitals  
Newspaper clippings relating to  
the AGO*

*Recollections of important events  
from our past*

*Names of former members who  
might be storing these materials  
or who might have memories to  
share*

If you find or think of anything at  
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## Reflections on Hector



Photo courtesy of Matt Dierking,  
Dayton Chapter AGO

“...far and away the best concert I have ever attended was Hector Olivera...at Capital University.... I was more than swept off my feet and out of my seat.... This performance was worth far, far more than what we paid. I cannot say...enough to convey [our] phenomenal praise and appreciation for today’s concert.”

“The workshop and concert were absolutely fantastic. Thank you so much for all your work in preparation, as well as [for] letting us attend.... There were four young students sitting in front of us. It was almost as much fun to watch their reactions to the music and Hector – They were having a great time, and I’m sure this program made a lasting impression on them.... Well Done!”

“One concertgoer told me that the bar for the Columbus Chapter had just been raised to a very high level. He continued that he couldn’t remember such a terrific event [being] held by the Chapter!”

## Recitals & Concerts, continued

### **Tuesdays at First: Matthew Annin, Assistant Principal Horn, Cincinnati Symphony**

*Tuesday, Oct. 12, 12:15 p.m. / First Congregational Church  
444 E. Broad Street, Columbus 43215*

Tuesdays at First is a series of half-hour recitals at 12:15 followed by homemade lunch (\$5 donation for lunch) on Tuesdays in October.

### **Jim McLaughlin & Friends present**

#### **The 14th Annual Organ Spectacular Recital**

*Sunday, Oct. 17, 3:00 p.m. / Central Trinity United Methodist Church  
62 S. Seventh Street, Zanesville 43701 / 740.452.3241*

Free and open to the public. For more information, [www.centraltrinityumc.com](http://www.centraltrinityumc.com)

### **Choral Evensong**

*Sunday, Oct. 17, 5:00 p.m. / St. Stephen’s Episcopal Church  
Woodruff and High Streets on the OSU Campus / 614-294-3749*

Music will include “Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis in D” by Herbert Brewer and “Hear My Prayer” by Felix Mendelssohn. Prelude begins at 4:45.

### **Compline by Candlelight**

*Sunday, Oct. 17, 9:00 p.m. / First Congregational Church  
444 E. Broad Street, Columbus 43215*

The office of Compline by candlelight will be followed by organ improvisation on the 1931 Kimball organ.

### **Tuesdays at First: Sara Seidel, organ**

*Tuesday, Oct. 19, 12:15 p.m. / First Congregational Church  
444 E. Broad Street, Columbus 43215*

Tuesdays at First is a series of half-hour recitals at 12:15 followed by homemade lunch (\$5 donation for lunch) on Tuesdays in October.

### **Josh Brodbeck, organ**

*Saturday, Oct. 23, 7:00 p.m. / Capital University, Mees Hall  
1 College and Main, Columbus 43209*

Senior recital, in partial fulfillment of the Bachelor of Organ Performance Degree. Music by Bach, Franck, Clerambault, and Guilman.

### **Congregational Concerts: Aya Hamada, harpsichord**

*Sunday, Oct. 24, 4:00 p.m. / First Congregational Church  
444 E. Broad Street, Columbus 43215*

Hamada is a Manhattan-based harpsichordist and pianist who has given solo, concerto, and chamber music concerts throughout the Americas and Europe, as well as her native Japan. She is principal keyboardist for the New York Symphonic Ensemble and ProMusica Chamber Orchestra of Columbus. Her program will include German and French solo repertoire, as well as Bach’s *Concerto in C Minor*, BWV 1060, for two harpsichords and chamber orchestra, with James Bobb at the second harpsichord.

### **Tuesdays at First: G. Dene Barnard, organ**

*Tuesday, Oct. 26, 12:15 p.m. / First Congregational Church  
444 E. Broad Street, Columbus 43215*

Tuesdays at First is a series of half-hour recitals at 12:15 followed by homemade lunch (\$5 donation for lunch) on Tuesdays in October.

*Recitals & Concerts, continued*

## *Cantor Connection Fall Workshop*

**First Thursday Noontime Organ Recital Series: John Schuder**

*Thursday, Nov. 4, 12:15 p.m. / Asbury United Methodist Church  
55 W. Lincoln Avenue, Delaware 43015*

John is the organist at St. John's Lutheran Church in Grove City. Recitals are from 12:15 to 12:45 with coffee and tea provided for those wishing to bring lunch.

**Choral Evensong: Haydn Mass in B-flat (Heiligmesse)**

*Friday, Nov. 5, 8:00 p.m. / Trinity Lutheran Seminary  
2199 E. Main Street, Columbus 43209*

Trinity Seminary Choir, Soloists, and Orchestra with May Schwarz directing. Prelude begins at 7:30 p.m. A freewill offering will be taken. Rehearsals are Mondays from 7:00-8:15 p.m. — singers are welcome!

**State Symphony Capella of Russia, Valeri Polyanski, Principal Conductor**

*Sunday, Nov. 7, 3:00 p.m. / St. Joseph Cathedral  
212 E. Broad Street, Columbus 43215 / 614.241.2526*

The company of 50 singers was founded in 1991 as a result of a merger of the USSR State Chamber Choir and State Symphony Orchestra of the USSR Ministry of Culture. This world-famous ensemble is known for flexibility of phrasing, rich and warm tone and nobility of expression.

*Tickets for this event are sold separately by phoning World Touring at 631.838.5658 or are available at the door: \$25 general/\$15 students and seniors*

**It Takes Two II**

*Sunday, Nov. 7, 3:00 p.m. / Northwest Christian Church  
1340 Fishinger Road, Columbus 43221 / 614.457.6290*

Versatile pianists Cynthia Adcock and Eileen Huston once again combine their talents for a delightful afternoon of music for two pianos-four hands. The program includes selections by Ravel, Dello Joio, Gershwin, Utterback, Bizet and others. Come and enjoy the artists making beautiful music on Yamaha and Baldwin grand pianos.

**Choral Evensong for All Saints**

*Sunday, Nov. 7, 5:00 p.m. / St. Mark's Episcopal Church  
2151 Dorset Road, Upper Arlington 43221*

Music of Bach and Franck. Organ voluntary begins at 4:40 p.m.

**Isaac Leaverton, organ**

*Saturday, Nov. 13, 2:00 p.m. / Capital University, Mees Hall  
1 College and Main, Columbus 43209*

Senior recital, in partial fulfillment of the Bachelor of Organ Performance Degree.

ALCM Columbus: Cantor Connection is pleased to announce its Fall Workshop 2010 to be held on **Saturday, October 16 from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon** at Bethel Lutheran Church, 4501 Hoover Road, Grove City 43213.

This year's theme is "Let the Liturgy Live!" Clinicians Linda Kempke, organ, piano and liturgy, and John Nevergall, percussion, will discuss and demonstrate ways in which new life may be breathed into liturgical worship through accompanying styles, creative use of resources, and percussion. The workshop is open to all musicians, clergy and lay leaders.

Registration is FREE but pre-registration is greatly appreciated. To do so, please write to Nancy@NancyRaabe.com or call 614.214.2639. Include your name, address, and institutional affiliation, if any.

Refreshments will be available starting at 8:30 a.m. and throughout the morning.

ALCM Columbus: Cantor Connection is a local chapter of the Association of Lutheran Church Musicians and presents several events each year to strengthen and encourage the community of church musicians in Central Ohio.

*For more information, see  
[www.cantorconnection.org](http://www.cantorconnection.org).*

### *Thank you!*

Dear AGO members:

I truly appreciate the scholarships you gave to three of our Capital students this summer — two attended the POE workshop in Manchester, VA, and a third attended the AGO National Convention.

Thank you sincerely!

Jan Linker

## Welcome New Members!

**Eric and Ian Gayetsky** are twin brothers and life-long members of Upper Arlington Lutheran Church. Thanks to Allan Willis, they were drawn to the organ at a very young age. Both have studied piano for twelve years. Eric is now a freshman at OSU, and Ian is a studying organ with Jan Linker at Capital University.

**Katherine and Paul Heim** live in Lancaster. Katherine is the Choirmaster at St. John's Episcopal Church, Lancaster.

**Jennifer Stadler** is a student at Capital University and serves as organist at David's United Church of Christ in Canal Winchester.

**Jordan Werring** is a student at Capital University and serves as pianist and substitute organist at Bethel Lutheran Church.



## Positions Available

**First English Evangelical Lutheran Church** — Mansfield — Organist and Choir Director (posted as two positions, but may be combined into one) — The organist will play for Sunday Worship Services, at all special midweek Worship Services (i.e., Christmas Eve, Ash Wednesday, Midweek Lenten Services, and Holy Week Services), and will serve as the accompanist for the Church's Choirs, soloists and musical ensembles. The Choir Director directs the choirs; works collaboratively with the Coordinator of Music and the Arts, the Organist, and the Director of Contemporary Worship to coordinate the parish music program; and provides guidance and direction to volunteer directors. Interested persons should send cover letter and résumé to [office@felc-mansfield.org](mailto:office@felc-mansfield.org) (preferred) or First English Evangelical Lutheran Church / 53 Park Avenue West / Mansfield, OH 44902.

**First United Methodist Church** — Newark — Organist — One weekly service at 11:00 with Wednesday Evening Choir rehearsals only as needed. Additional services include Ash Wednesday and Christmas Eve. Salary \$12,000-\$15,000, dependent on experience. Interested persons should send résumé to First United Methodist Church / Attn. Jeff Rings / PO Box 729 / Newark, OH 43055.

**St. Andrew Presbyterian Church** — Columbus — Organist — One Sunday service and one weeknight rehearsal. Interested persons should send résumé to [standrewpres@copper.net](mailto:standrewpres@copper.net) or Personnel Committee / St. Andrew Presbyterian Church / 1450 East Dublin-Granville Road / Columbus, OH 43229.

**William Street United Methodist Church** — Delaware — Organist — Will work in close cooperation with the Pastor and the Director of Music in providing a variety of music for worship and other services, including accompaniment for hymns, anthems and soloists. Interested persons should submit a letter of application and a current résumé by email to William Street United Methodist Church at [williamumc@frontier.com](mailto:williamumc@frontier.com).

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*Contemporary Pianist and Substitute Organist, Bethel Lutheran Church  
Jordan is available to sub for Sunday evenings, weddings, and funerals. She is familiar with Catholic and Lutheran liturgies.*

## From the Treasurer

I have been asked by Julia Parker, chapter Dean, to write an article about chapter finances. For background, the fiscal years starting with 2007-2008 have been unusual in that the Columbus Chapter realized a revenue above expense of approximately \$33,000 from the 2007 Region V Convention held here in Columbus. This amount was supplemented by a gift of a bit over \$4,000 from the estate of a deceased member. These two occurrences combined gave the chapter a onetime “nest egg” of about \$37,000.

Then-Dean Laura Silva invited all members to a brainstorming session to determine how to deal with this nice situation. Between 30 and 45 people attended. Guided by the spirit of the comments made in the brainstorming session — which seemed to align with the ideas of education and encouraging new organists — \$25,000 was set aside in interest-bearing CD’s as a sort of miniature endowment, where the interest would be directed towards funding small grants for organ students. Additionally, the Executive Committee set out to utilize the other \$12,000 over a three-year period. This resulted in deliberate deficit spending — above what could be done in a “normal” year — in order to “pay back” the members for their work and support of the Regional Convention, and to make a commitment to young people, in order to do our part in helping the profession survive. That three-year goal has turned into a four-year reality. Through careful budgeting, we continue to benefit — hosting activities for young potential future organists, concerts such as the recent Hector Olivera weekend, workshops for our members, competitions for young organists, and many other events that you can recreate from the program summary pages of your previous Directories. We are also presently planning a redesign of our chapter website.

In a normal year, we carry over \$1,000 - \$3,000. Our primary source of revenue, member dues, ranges from \$12,000 - \$14,000. A significant portion of that passes through our chapter to the national organization. For example, member dues for those under 65 are \$92; \$55 of that gets sent on. Members 65 and older pay \$67, and \$37.50 gets sent on. We have ads in our Directory and other miscellaneous income totaling \$15,000 - \$19,000, depending on the year.

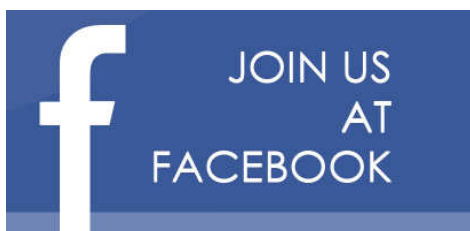
As of this writing, about 55% of our member dues get sent on. The next largest expenses are communication with our members and programming. Other expenditures may include membership development (working to gain new members), Pipe Organ Encounters or other educational conferences for young people, and Regional Competitions for Young Organists. This year’s programming will be listed in the Directory being prepared for publication.

For purposes of this “broad strokes” picture of our finances, I have rounded figures and estimates. Up-to-date exact reports are given at every Executive Committee meeting.

Respectfully submitted,  
Al Adcock, *Treasurer*

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## *A Facelift for our Website !*

We are rebuilding our website! The Columbus chapter is proud to have been the second AGO chapter to establish a website. As an AGO leader in technology, many feel that it is time to update and refresh our existing site.

The website committee believes the website should communicate who we are as an organization: a community of church musicians, students, teachers, and others who joyfully support the King of Instruments.

Some of our goals for the new site include:

- Creating a greater sense of community
- Providing a detailed calendar for organ and choral concerts and recitals
- Becoming a resource for historical information about the chapter
- Providing information about educational opportunities that lie beyond our chapter

We want to provide a site that is a dynamic resource for our members and the community.

The committee is in the process of reviewing bids from several designers; we hope to launch the new site before Thanksgiving.

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Pauline Fritz, Erin Jolley, John Schuder, Sara Seidel*

**The deadline for the November Guilder is October 15.**

Please send information to Sara Seidel at [sara@seidelnemeth.com](mailto:sara@seidelnemeth.com) or (614) 507.5917.