



# COLUMBUS CHAPTER OF THE AMERICAN GUILD OF ORGANISTS

## *Membership Form*

### INSTRUCTIONS

1. Please complete all information below. Guild correspondence will be sent to the address that you list as your residential address. It is very important that we have your complete address, including number, street/road/avenue name, and direction, if applicable (N, S, E, W, etc.). If you have a P.O. Box, all mail from the Guild will be delivered there. Please include this information in the Personal Information section of this form.
2. Please read the Code of Ethics from the National Office on the third page of this document and indicate your acceptance of the Code by checking the appropriate box on page 1 of this form.
3. Please mail your completed form (2 pages) and check or money order made payable to **Columbus Chapter AGO** to:

AGO Membership  
c/o Sara Seidel  
204 Park Boulevard  
Worthington, OH 43085

### MEMBERSHIP INVESTMENT

*Membership years are from July 1—June 30.*

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Regular        | \$92 |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Special        | \$67 | <i>(65 and over, under 21 or disabled)</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Student        | \$37 | <i>(Full-time with valid student ID)</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
|                                         |      | *I am a full-time student at: _____                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Partner        | \$67 | <i>(only one TAO subscription per household; must be affiliated with a Regular, Special, or Student member in the same household)</i>                                                                                                                                                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dual*          | \$36 | <i>(paid to second chapter)</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
|                                         |      | *Primary Chapter where full dues are paid: _____                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Student Dual*  | \$15 | <i>(paid to second chapter)</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
|                                         |      | *Primary Chapter where full dues are paid: _____                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Chapter Friend | \$25 | <i>This is a <b>non-voting membership</b> category for non-organists who would like to be affiliated only with the Columbus Chapter of the AGO; includes chapter newsletter and admission to all chapter-sponsored programs; does not include voting privileges or a TAO subscription.</i> |

Please include my information on the AGO (Columbus Chapter) website

I have read and agree to abide by the American Guild of Organists Code of Ethics.

### PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name: _____	Home Phone: _____
PO Box or c/o: _____	Cell Phone: _____
Street Address: _____	Email: _____
City, State, Zip: _____	AGO Certificate: _____

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**AGO-RELATED EMPLOYMENT INFORMATION**

Employer: \_\_\_\_\_ Position: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

**ADDITIONAL AGO-RELATED EMPLOYMENT INFORMATION**

Employer: \_\_\_\_\_ Position: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

**ORGAN INFORMATION**

Church: \_\_\_\_\_ Church: \_\_\_\_\_  
Builder: \_\_\_\_\_ Builder: \_\_\_\_\_  
Year Built: \_\_\_\_\_ Year Built: \_\_\_\_\_  
Manuals & Ranks: \_\_\_\_\_ Manuals & Ranks: \_\_\_\_\_  
Rebuilt by: \_\_\_\_\_ Rebuilt by: \_\_\_\_\_  
Year Rebuilt: \_\_\_\_\_ Year Rebuilt: \_\_\_\_\_

**ADDITIONAL ORGAN INFORMATION**

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\_\_\_\_\_  
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**SUBSTITUTE INFORMATION**

*I am interested in substituting for:*

- Sunday a.m.
- Sunday p.m.
- Weddings
- Funerals
- I am familiar with Catholic liturgy.
- I am familiar with Episcopal liturgy.
- I am familiar with Lutheran liturgy.

Please include my name and phone number on a list of AGO members with private organ studios.

**Will you help our chapter by providing the name of a potential new member?**

We would like to increase our membership roster this coming year and share the benefits of the Guild with other interested persons. If you know of a potential new member, please provide us with his or her name. We will send an invitation to join our chapter, along with a complimentary copy of our local monthly publication, *The Guild*.

***Thank you for your help!***

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_



# THE AMERICAN GUILD OF ORGANISTS

## *Code of Ethics*

Members of the American Guild of Organists are bound by the Code of Ethics and guided by the Code of Professional Standards, which was adopted by the National Council on October 23, 1933 and revised through April 16, 2007.

**Preamble:** The purpose of the American Guild of Organists is to promote the organ in its historic and evolving roles, to encourage excellence in the performance of organ and choral music, and to provide a forum for mutual support, inspiration, education, and certification of Guild members. Voting members are entitled to enjoy the privileges and are expected to accept the responsibilities of membership in the Guild. Members shall be considered equally for Guild offices and participation in Guild activities. These are the rules that shall be considered binding upon all voting members in good standing.

**RULE 1.** Members shall promote good working relationships within the American Guild of Organists and shall respect the employment of colleagues. Members shall address differences between themselves and other members by following the procedures outlined in the *Discipline*.

**RULE 2.** Members shall not seek or appear to be seeking employment for themselves, a student, or a colleague, in a position held by someone else. Members shall apply for employment only for a position which the employer, with the knowledge of the incumbent musician, has officially and publicly declared vacant by announcement of the vacancy.

**RULE 3.** In cases pending under the *Procedures* or in cases where the National Council has determined that a position has been made vacant by wrongful termination of a member of the American Guild of Organists, members shall not seek or accept regular or permanent employment for themselves, a student, or colleague at that Institution until the National Council is satisfied that differences between the Guild and the Institution have been resolved. Interim services may be provided for a period of 90 days.

**RULE 4.** Members shall obtain the approval of the incumbent musician before accepting an engagement for a wedding, funeral, or other service requested by a third party. In such cases, the incumbent should receive his/her customary fee, and the third party is expected to provide it. It is the responsibility of the guest member to inform the third party of this rule. Members are advised to protect themselves as incumbents in this regard by negotiating employment contracts which secure these fees and which provide some responsibility, oversight, and control as to choice of music, etc.

**RULE 5.** Members shall conduct professional activities with truthfulness, honesty and integrity, and shall maintain sensitivity in matters of a personal or confidential nature.

**RULE 6.** Members shall not discriminate against others on the basis of race, national origin, age, religious affiliation, gender, marital status, sexual orientation, disability, or medical condition (including, but not limited to, Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome).