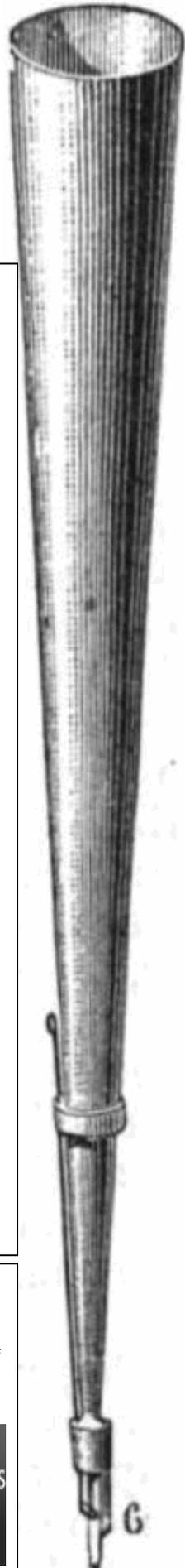




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“WORKING IN CONCERT”



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From The Dean:

This month's programming is a very exciting evening entitled, Organ and Orchestra Extravaganza! Though Little Rock does not have a concert hall with a pipe organ, we are most fortunate as a guild to be able to present orchestral programming featuring the pipe organ as a concerto instrument. Last year's program of Orchestra and Organ was such a success that we quickly set about planning this year's concert.

An additional component of this year's music making is the commissioning of a University of Central Arkansas composition student, Cory Winter, to write an orchestration of the Bach D Minor Fugue, using the instruments which will be assembled for this performance. Hear the Bach Toccata played by Ansley Fleming on the organ and then listen as the orchestra presents the fugue in alternation with the organ.

The Arkansas Symphony Chamber Ensemble, *our orchestra this evening*, will be joined by two members of the Youth Orchestra in a side by side presentation of these master works.

We are grateful to the underwriting of Dr. Richard Hixson, as well as a grant from the Arkansas Arts Council, an agency of the Department of Arkansas Heritage, and the National Endowment for the Arts. Additional short falls are of course covered from funds donated to the CACAGO.

Please come and bring friends! This program will have something to please every music lover.

Regards,
Phil Bordeleau; Dean CACAGO

Ongoing Education:

Noted British baritone and Grammy award-winning conductor Paul Hillier will present “The Nature of Chorus” on Tuesday, Jan. 20, at Rhodes College, Memphis, TN. This Free and open to the public lecture, begins at 7:30 p.m. in the McCallum Ballroom of the Bryan Campus Life Center with a reception to follow. Hillier is Rhodes' 2009 Springfield Music Lecturer.

His lecture will focus on what a chorus is and has been at different times and in different places throughout history. “Singing together is of course a musical activity, but it seems to arise from a deeply rooted human instinct that goes beyond music,” according to Hillier. “By exploring this process I believe it may be possible to clarify ideas about the current and future direction of choir singing.”

The Springfield Music Lectures were established in 1991 by a bequest from the late John Murry Springfield, a 1951 Rhodes graduate. Those with specific inquiries about Hillier's lecture can contact the Department of Music at (901) 843-3775.

On the Web:

Here is a link to an interesting website which discusses “the ensemble”. I found some interesting content touching on the challenges and other points to consider when at the helm of an orchestra.

<http://www.artistshousemusic.org/videos/conducting+different+sections+of+the+orchestra+differently>



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Friday, January 23rd, 2009

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Cathedral Organ In Concert with members of the Arkansas State Orchestra and select students.

Presented By:

The Central Arkansas Chapter of the American Guild of Organists

Dr. Richard Hixson

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Cathedral of St. Andrew

7th and Louisiana Streets, Little Rock

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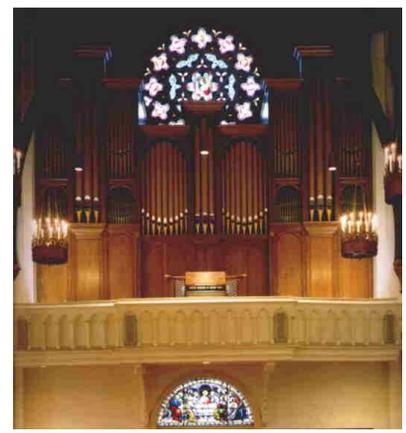


Dinner reservations may be placed with Marian Berry via-email to dinner@cacago.org or phoned in to 501-663-1693. Marian is accepting reservations until noon of Mon, Jan. 19th. You should receive a confirmation of your reservation via email or phone. If you do not get confirmation, please call Marian to ensure your reservation has been placed. This is a great opportunity to see everyone after the busy holiday! We look forward to seeing you there!

Catering by Sylvia and Ann

Punchbowl: 6:00 PM Dinner: 6:30 PM Concert: 8:00 PM

(A side note, if you have standing reservations it would be help to confirm you are on the list!)



The Program:

Bach: F minor Harpsichord Concerto with orchestra; Phil Bordeleau, harpsichord and director

Bach: "St Anne" Prelude and Fugue in E Flat; Timothy Allen; Organist

Bach: Toccata and Fugue in D minor; Ansley Fleming, Organist
with new orchestration of the fugue by UCA Composition student Cory Winter

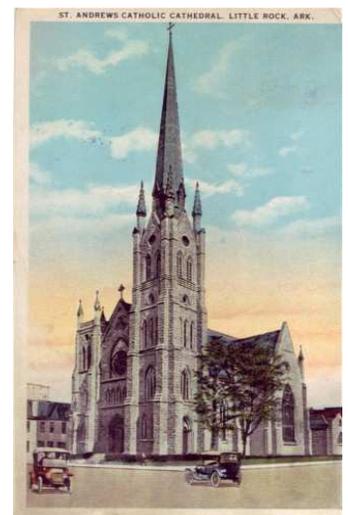
Rheinberger: F Major Organ Concerto with orchestra; KayMcAfee, Organist

From HQ:

From July 28-August 10, 2009, the University of Kansas will sponsor KU European Organ Study Tour IV: North Germany, under the direction of professor Michael Bauer. This tour will include a significant number of the major Schnitger organs, as well as renaissance instruments, important 17th century organs by Scherer and Stellwagen, romantic organs by Ladegast and Sauer, and contemporary instruments by Ahrend and Metzler. We will also tour the Ahrend shop and have free time in Hamburg and Lübeck. For further information see www2.ku.edu/~organ, write mbauer@ku.edu, or call 785-864-9744.

About the Organ:

The Nichols & Simpson organ at the Cathedral of St. Andrew in Little Rock, Arkansas was completed in 1992 and replaces an instrument constructed by M. P. Möller Company in 1932. The new organ was designed to retain much of the character of the Möller organ, replacing the large electro-pneumatic chests with new pallet-and-slider chests, allowing the exposure of the rose window depicting St. Cecilia, patron saint of musicians, which had been hidden for the sixty-year history of the Möller instrument.



Cathedral of St. Andrew

MISCELLANEOUS PIPING

This section of the Clarion is devoted to misc information or events. If you have anything you would like posted please send to: editor@cacago.org .

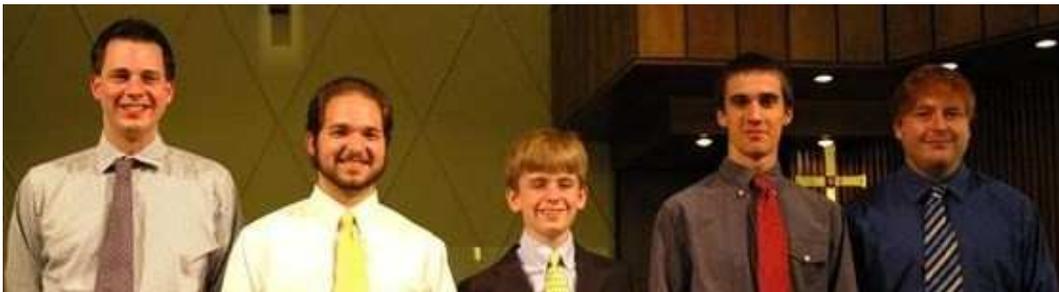
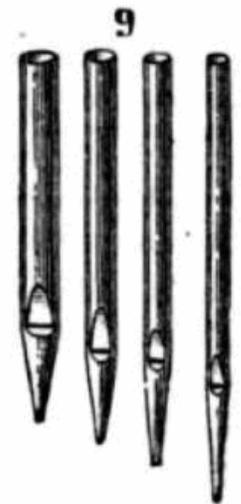
MINUTES OF CACAGO MEETING, November 28th, 2008
First Presbyterian Church, Little Rock
Scott Siedenschwarz, Host & Chef

Phill Bordeleau, dean, called the meeting to order. Scott was thanked for the delicious soup and salad meal, along with his hospitality. It was brought up at the meeting that members are being tardy with making reservations. The telephone committee will have to get busy calling their lists to obtain more reservations. Phil asked those who have not made a reservation to do so by signing a sheet before leaving the meeting that evening.

The meeting was adjourned, and we went to the sanctuary to hear the organ & violin concert by Ken Cowan and Lisa Shihoten. It was reported that over \$3,000 dollars had been donated that night to Arkansas Children's Pediatric Injury Prevention Program at Arkansas Children's Hospital.

Respectfully Submitted,
Betty Anderson
Secretary CACAGO

If you would like a copy of the "Our Young and Rising Stars" program from last September, they are still available for a donation of \$10 dollars to the CACAGO. For more info contact David Scribner at webmaster@cacago.org



If you want your special events and concerts posted in the newsletter, please send info to: editor@cacago.org ! I'm only receiving program info from a few of our members. I am not being partial to anyone!

Substitutes:

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side note:

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Preview: Making a Weekend of It

February, Friday the 27th, 2009

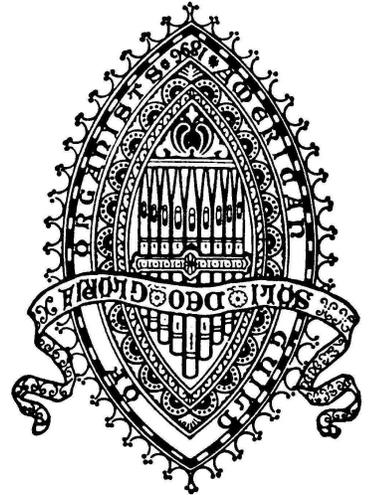
Jeffrey Blersch playing a program of hymns and recital pieces

Grace Lutheran, Little Rock. Dinner 6:00pm - Concert 8pm

February, Saturday, 28th

Service Playing Workshop

Grace Lutheran 10am-Noon



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THE 08 /09 SEASON

January 09

23rd - Organ and Orchestra at Cathedral St. Andrew Little Rock
6:00pm - Concert 8pm

February 09

27th - Jeffrey Blersch playing a program of hymns and recital
pieces at Grace Lutheran, Little Rock. Dinner 6:00pm - Concert
8pm

28th - Jeffery Blersch on service playing and worship at Grace
Lutheran. 10:00am – Noon.

March 09

20th - Robert Del Camp – Trinity Episcopal Church

April 09

17th - first of two concerts for the 6th Annual Organ Recital
series

celebrating the life of Robert Ellis

the first recital will be at First Presbyterian in Little Rock.
Nathan Laube from The Curtis Institute will be performing.

6:00pm - Concert 8pm

April 09

19th - second of two concerts for the 6th Annual Organ Recital
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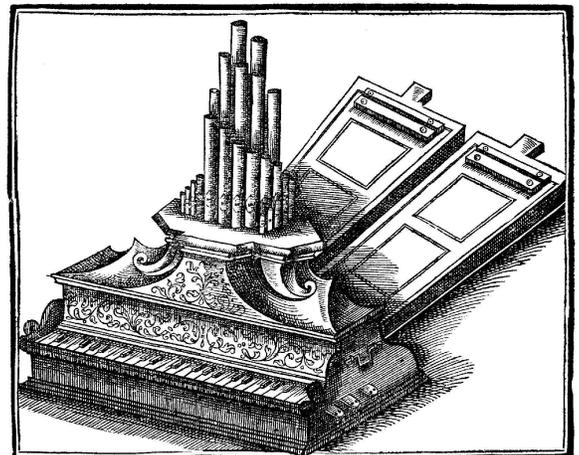
the second recital will feature Nathan Laube at FUMC
Arkadelphia.

Concert 4:00pm

May 09

15th - Laura Ellis at St. Mark's Episcopal Church, Little Rock.

Dinner 6:00pm - Concert 8pm



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