



Central Arkansas Chapter *American Guild of Organists*

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Mission Statement

The mission of the American Guild of Organists is to enrich lives through organ and choral music. To achieve this, we encourage excellence in the performance of organ and choral music; inspire, educate, and offer certification for organists and choral conductors; provide networking, fellowship, and mutual support; nurture future generations of organists; promote the organ in its historic and evolving roles; and engage wider audiences with organ and choral music.

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From the Dean

Hello all,

It was so good to see those of you who were able to attend the opening program and installation of officers last week at Our Lady of the Holy Souls church. Many thanks to Lynn Bauman for graciously hosting us, and a very large “thank you” to all who participated in the installation service. It was a great start to our year!

The “October” program will be held on Saturday, November 1st, and will be A Fall Outing to Hot Springs for two separate recitals. Details can be found elsewhere in this newsletter. Make your plans to attend—it promises to be a pair of really fine recitals.

Sub-Dean Wayne Simpson mentioned two items in last Friday’s meeting, and I want to bring them to your attention:

1. The recitalist for November, Scott Dettra (Friday, November 21), will be doing a choral accompaniment workshop the next day (Saturday November 22). Wayne will be looking for three persons willing to prepare an anthem and work with Scott in this workshop/masterclass.

Yearbook Advertising

The Advertising Committee would like to ask the chapter members to consider purchasing a \$20 greeting in the upcoming CACAGO yearbook. Also, please consider asking your church or business to purchase an ad for the yearbook. All of the ad revenue collected stays in the chapter and helps fund our programs. To purchase an ad, please contact advertising chair Gini Freemyer (gfreemyer@gmail.com). The deadline for purchasing a yearbook ad is Friday, October 31.

Be thinking if this is something you’d like to do.

2. Friday, December 5 is a Members’ Recital. This is an opportunity to share with your fellow CACAGOers some of your favorite music, or something you have been working on. Again, be thinking ...

If you would like to play an anthem for the workshop, or perform on the Members’ Recital, please contact Wayne Simpson via e-mail (wes@nicholsandsimpson.com) or phone (501) 231-8835.

This is last call for membership renewals and for yearbook program ads. Adam tells me the drop-dead date for all yearbook submissions is October 31. Just do it—and do it now! Thank you. I’ll be glad to get off this particular soapbox.

Have a wonderful October, and I hope to see all of you in Hot Springs on November 1.

Betty Cohen
Dean

Membership Renewal

If you have not already renewed your membership for the upcoming year, please do so as soon as possible. The renewal form is available on the website (www.cacago.org).

Yearbook Entries

If there have been any changes in your contact information or employment since you renewed your membership, please send them to Adam Savacool (cacago.editor@gmail.com) so that they can be incorporated into our yearbook.

The 2014-2015 yearbooks will be distributed at the November 21 meeting, no *ifs*, *and’s* or *butt’s*.

OCTOBER PROGRAM

Saturday, November 1, 2014

A Fall Outing Hot Springs, Arkansas

10:45 A.M. | Alcée Chriss III, *organist*
St. Luke's Episcopal Church

12:30 P.M. | Lunch at Belle Arti Ristorante

2:00 P.M. | Hentus van Rooyen, *organist*
First Presbyterian Church

10:45 a.m.
St. Luke's Episcopal Church
228 Spring St.
Hot Springs, AR 71901-4151

12:30 p.m.
Belle Arti Ristorante
719 Central Ave.
Hot Springs, AR 71901-5334

2:00 p.m.
First Presbyterian Church
213 Whittington Ave.
Hot Springs, AR 71901-3409

TRANSPORTATION: Round-trip transportation from Little Rock to Hot Springs will be provided. If you would like a ride, please contact Wayne Simpson via e-mail (wes@nicholsandsimpson.com) or phone (501) 231-8835.

LUNCH: We will eat lunch at Belle Arti Ristorante in Hot Springs. For lunch reservations, contact Robert Lindley via e-mail (dinner@cacago.org) or phone (501) 217-6735, or complete the reservation form on the website.

Reservations are due by noon, Wednesday, October 29!

Upcoming CACAGO Programs

Friday, November 21

Scott Dettra, organist
First Presbyterian Church
Little Rock, Arkansas

Friday, January 16

Richard Hixson Birthday Recital
Jens Korndörfer, organist
Christ Episcopal Church
Little Rock, Arkansas

Friday, March 20

Judith Hancock, organist
Christ Episcopal Church
Little Rock, Arkansas

Saturday, November 22

Choral Accompaniment Workshop
Scott Dettra, clinician
First Presbyterian Church
Little Rock, Arkansas

Friday, February 6

**A Recital Benefiting the
Arkansas Children's Hospital
Injury Prevention Center**
Lisa Shihoten, violin
Ken Cowan, organ
First Presbyterian Church
Little Rock, Arkansas

Friday, April 24

**Twelfth Annual Recital
Celebrating the Life of
Robert Young Ellis**
Graham Schultz, organist
Cathedral of Saint Andrew
Little Rock, Arkansas

Friday, December 5

Members' Recital
First United Methodist Church
Little Rock, Arkansas

May: To Be Announced

Artist Biographies



ALCÉE CHRISS III has performed in the United States and Europe and is emerging as an outstanding young concert artist of virtuosity and versatility. He has won top prizes at international competitions, receiving First Prize and Audience Prize in the 2014 Miami International Organ Competition and First Prize in the 2013 Albert Schweitzer Organ Competition. In his native Texas, he won first place in the 2013 Regional Competition for Young Organists, sponsored by the Austin AGO Chapter. He is in his fifth year at the Oberlin College Conservatory of Music, where he is pursuing a Bachelor of Music in organ performance and a Master of

Music in historical performance (organ and harpsichord), studying organ with James David Christie, Olivier Latry, and Marie-Louise Langlais, and harpsichord with Webb Wiggins. He served as the 2011 organ intern at the Church of the Transfiguration (Episcopal) in Dallas, where he studied church music under Joel Martinson. He currently serves as minister of music at the historic Euclid Avenue Congregational Church in Cleveland.

Alcée's program will include works by Boëly, Shearing, Heiller, Bach, Dupré, Dame Ethel Smyth, Demessieux, Bolcom, and Duruflé.



HENTUS VAN ROOYEN began organ studies at age 14. In 2007 he enrolled for the degree B.Mus at the University of Pretoria, South Africa, under the tutelage of Prof. Wim Viljoen. During 2010 Hentus passed the UNISA Teacher's Licentiate, with distinction. He received the University Diploma in Church Music and B.Mus (performing arts), cum laude; both at the University of Pretoria. He also won the South African Church Organists Association undergraduate bursary and travel bursary in 2010. In 2011 the post-graduate and travel bursaries was awarded to him from the Hentus van Rooyen Photosame competition. He won the Stephanus Zondagh Overseas Music Study Scholarship at the UNISA Overseas Music Scholarship

Competition after passing the UNISA Performer's Licentiate cum laude. In 2012 Hentus won yet another Scholarship for Overseas Study, which enabled him to begin graduate studies at the University of North Texas under the tutelage of Dr. Jesse Eschbach. In 2013 he was awarded Second Prize in the graduate division of the William C. (Bill) Hall Organ playing Competition, San Antonio, TX and in March 2014 he won the First Prize of the same competition. Hentus is set to finish his Masters of Music at the University of Pretoria this summer and to graduate with a DMA from the University of North Texas in Fall 2015.

Hentus's program will include works by Bruhns, Bach, Mendelssohn, Saint-Saëns, Hakim, and S. Andrew Lloyd.

Treasurer's Report

Organ Recital
 Rees Roberts, *organist*
 Sunday, October 19, 2014
 3:00 P.M.
 St. Mark's Episcopal Church
 Little Rock, Arkansas

Pine Bluff Symphony
 Sunday, October 26, 2014
 4:00 P.M.
 Pine Bluff Convention Center
 Pine Bluff, Arkansas
 Conductor Charles Evans and
 pianist Hee-Kyung Juhn perform
 Beethoven's Piano Concerto No. 5
 "The Emperor"

Organ Recital
 Autumnal Dreamscapes
 Jason Pennington, CAGO, *organist*
 Sunday, October 26, 2014
 7:00 P.M.
 St. Luke's Episcopal Church
 North Little Rock, Arkansas
 Joined by mezzo soprano Dr. Tonya
 Thompson, featuring organ works
 by Hindemith, Bach, Mozart, and
 others; vocal selections by Menotti
 and Fauré. Free admission.

**Morten Lauridsen's
 Lux Aeterna**
 Parish Choir with Orchestra
 Saturday, November 1, 2014
 5:00 P.M.
 Our Lady of the Holy Souls
 Catholic Church
 Little Rock, Arkansas

Choral Evensong
 Sunday, November 2, 2014
 4:00 P.M.
 First United Methodist Church
 Conway, Arkansas
 The service is free and the public is invited.

INCOME		EXPENSES	
REVENUE		ADMINISTRATIVE	
Dues	\$4,037.00	Dues to National	\$2,858.50
Ad Sales	\$185.00	Catering/Reception	\$575.00
Meals	\$436.90	Marketing/Public Relations	\$0.00
Carry Over (FY14)	\$7,428.72	Remaining Expenses	\$0.00
Reception/Postage	\$10.00		\$3,433.50
	\$12,097.62		
SUPPORT		ARTISTIC	
Individuals	\$2,997.31	Artist Fees/Housing	\$0.00
Corporate/Church	\$0.00	Remaining Expenses	\$0.00
Endowment	\$603.00	Tech/Production	\$0.00
	\$3,600.31		\$0.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$15,697.93	TOTAL EXPENSES	\$3,433.50
		BALANCE	\$12,264.43

Position Available

First Presbyterian Church Texarkana, Arkansas

Position: Part-time Organist/Choir Director

Compensation: Commensurate with experience and responsibilities

Job Description: First Presbyterian Church in Texarkana seeks a part-time organist/choir director. Duties include leading midweek practices and directing the chancel choir. Currently we have only one service on Sunday mornings. Occasionally we have Taize services on Sunday evenings. Duties also include advising/overseeing choir opportunities for the youth and young children. We have three octaves of handbells that we use in conjunction with seasonal music; the coordination of that tradition would be encouraged. Three manual Casavant organ. For more information, contact:

First Presbyterian Church

516 Pecan St.
 Texarkana, AR 71854
 P: (870) 774-6453

E-mail: Linda Cogbill <lcogbill@cableone.net>
 Search Committee Chairman

Arts Calendar

Thursday, October 9 – 7:30 P.M.

Little Rock Wind Symphony
Second Presbyterian Church
Little Rock, AR

Friday, October 10 – 7:30 P.M.

Arkansas Chamber Singers
St. James United Methodist Church
Little Rock, AR

Thursday, October 16 – 7:30 P.M.

Danse Melange: Peter Grimes
Albert Pike Memorial Temple Auditorium
Little Rock, AR

Friday, October 17 – 7:30 P.M.

Danse Melange: Peter Grimes
Albert Pike Memorial Temple Auditorium
Little Rock, AR

Saturday, October 18 – 7:30 P.M.

ASO Masterworks: Blazing Brass
Maumelle Performing Arts Center
Maumelle, AR

Sunday, October 19 – 3:00 P.M.

ASO Masterworks: Blazing Brass
Maumelle Performing Arts Center
Maumelle, AR

Sunday, October 19 – 3:00 P.M.

Organ Recital: Rees Roberts, organist
St. Mark's Episcopal Church
Little Rock, AR

Tuesday, October 21 – 7:00 P.M.

ASO Chamber: Quartet for the End of Time
Clinton Presidential Center
Little Rock, AR

Sunday, October 26 – 7:00 P.M.

Organ Recital: Jason Pennington, organist
St. Luke's Episcopal Church
North Little Rock, AR

Sunday, October 26 – 4:00 P.M.

Pine Bluff Symphony
Pine Bluff Convention Center
Pine Bluff, AR

Saturday, November 1 – 10:45 A.M.

CACAGO: A Fall Outing
St. Luke's Episcopal Church
Hot Springs, AR

Saturday, November 1 – 2:00 P.M.

CACAGO: A Fall Outing
First Presbyterian Church
Hot Springs, AR

Saturday, November 1 – 5:00 P.M.

Morten Lauridsen: Lux Aeterna
Our Lady of the Holy Souls Catholic Church
Little Rock, AR

Sunday, November 2 – 4:00 P.M.

Choral Evensong
First United Methodist Church
Conway, AR

Saturday, November 8 – 7:30 P.M.

ASO Masterworks: Beethoven & Blue Jeans
Maumelle Performing Arts Center
Maumelle, AR

Sunday, November 9 – 3:00 P.M.

ASO Masterworks: Beethoven & Blue Jeans
Maumelle Performing Arts Center
Maumelle, AR

Tuesday, November 11 – 7:00 P.M.

ASO Chamber: Italian Serenade
Clinton Presidential Center
Little Rock, AR

Thursday, November 13 – 7:30 P.M.

Beethoven's Choral Fantasy
UALR: Stella Boyle Smith Auditorium
Little Rock, AR

Friday, November 21 – 8:00 P.M.

CACAGO: Scott Dettra, organist
First Presbyterian Church
Little Rock, AR

Sunday, November 30 – 3:00 P.M.

River City Men's Chorus
Trinity United Methodist Church
Little Rock, AR

Monday, December 1 – 7:00 P.M.

River City Men's Chorus
Trinity United Methodist Church
Little Rock, AR

Thursday, December 4 – 7:30 P.M.

Little Rock Wind Symphony
Second Presbyterian Church
Little Rock, AR

Thursday, December 4 – 7:00 P.M.

River City Men's Chorus
Trinity United Methodist Church
Little Rock, AR

Friday, December 5 – 8:00 P.M.

CACAGO: Members' Recital
First United Methodist Church
Little Rock, AR