



# Central Arkansas Chapter *American Guild of Organists*

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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 everyone,

Finally the air has started to cool and it is beginning to feel like fall. Hopefully, some of the leaves will actually change colors this year. At my house they are turning brown and falling off early because of the lack of rain.

For those of you that could not join us at St. Michael's last month, we missed you and hope that you will be able to attend this month's meeting and concert at First Presbyterian. I know that Scott will have a wonderful meal for us and the concert should be spectacular.

It seems that we have issues with people renewing their memberships every year. This year is no different. If you have not renewed yours, please do so soon. We will have to start contacting individuals soon to try and get them renewed.

At First Lutheran, we are very pleased to have most of our organ repairs completed. Sigh of relief. There are still a couple issues with the vintage electronics on a couple stops, but everyone is pleased. Adam told

me that he thought he was going to have to bring Wayne over and fix it themselves. That would have been great!

Jess Anthony contacted me in early summer about an award that the Department of Arkansas Heritage has for the 2016 Governor's Arts Awards. He suggested that the Guild nominate Craig Chotard in the lifetime achievement category. I thought that was an excellent idea, so we did. One person beat him out and they will receive the award in the spring. Craig is still our hero.

A quick Craig story. I ran in to him at dinner a month or so ago and was telling him a big tale. Unfortunately, in my mind, some of the details were jumbled together. He quickly straightened me out and now it is all clear. Some mothers and sons had the wrong pairing in my mind. I definitely need a bigger memory chip.

I look forward to seeing you at First Pres on the 16th.

Mike

## Next Month's Newsletter

The November 2015 Clarion will be published Monday, November 2. If you have any items to submit (news, events, announcements, job postings, personal ads, opinion pieces, prayer requests) please send them to adam@cacago.org. The deadline is Friday, October 30.

## Upcoming CACAGO Programs

### Friday, October 16

**A Benefit Concert for  
Out of the Woods Animal Rescue**  
**Brian Jones, organist**  
**Bruce Adami, pianist & organist**  
First Presbyterian Church  
800 Scott St.  
Little Rock, Arkansas

### Friday, November 20

**Jonathan Moyer, organist**  
Pulaski Heights UMC  
4823 Woodlawn Dr.  
Little Rock, Arkansas

# OCTOBER PROGRAM

Friday, October 16, 2015

A Benefit Concert for  
Out of the Woods Animal Rescue  
of Arkansas

Brian Jones, *organ*  
Bruce Adami, *organ & piano*

Punchbowl — 6:15 P.M.  
Dinner & Meeting — 6:45 P.M.  
Concert — 8:00 P.M.

First Presbyterian Church  
800 Scott St.  
Little Rock, Arkansas

**Dinner Reservations:** The cost for dinner is \$15.00. For dinner reservations, contact Robert Lindley via e-mail ([dinner@cacago.org](mailto:dinner@cacago.org)), or phone (501) 217-6735, or complete the reservation form on the website.

**Dinner reservations are due by  
noon, Wednesday, October 14!**

## Biography of Brian Jones

Brian Jones, one of America's most highly regarded church musicians, is Emeritus Director of Music and Organist at Trinity Church, Copley Square, Boston, where he directed a widely acclaimed program from 1984 to 2004. He has since served in three interim positions: Director of Cathedral Music at the Cathedral of St John, Albuquerque, New Mexico; Director of Music at Old South Church in Boston; and Associate Organist of Memorial Church, Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts. He is active as an organ solo concert artist, and is in demand as guest conductor and accompanist. In June, 2009, he was Organist in Residence at Grace Cathedral, San Francisco while the

cathedral choir was on tour in Europe. He is Director of the Copley Singers, a Boston-based choir he founded in 2006, and with which he has appeared in the New England area as well as on Bermuda, where the singers collaborated with the Ensemble Singers of Bermuda in a concert in May, 2009 celebrating the 400th anniversary of the founding of the island. From January through May, 2010, Brian was Visiting Artist at Christ Church Cathedral, Lexington, Kentucky, where he collaborated with Erich Balling, Director of Music, in the outstanding program which features a choir of girls, boys, and men.

## Biography of Bruce Adami

Bruce Adami is organist at Christ Episcopal Church, Exeter, New Hampshire. He has given solo organ recitals throughout New England. For more than thirty years, he has taught organists of all ages. From 1984 through 2004, he was director of music and organist at Brookside Congregational Church, UCC, in Manchester. He holds a Bachelor of Music in organ performance from the Oberlin College Conservatory of Music, where he studied with

Haskell Thomson. He is active in the New Hampshire chapter of the American Guild of Organists (AGO), for which he has served as treasurer and dean. In 2009, he was the faculty coordinator for the AGO Pipe Organ Encounter in Manchester. Since 2008, he has taught students through the Young Organist Collaborative, and currently serves on the Young Organist Collaborative Committee.

## Program

Grand Aria for Organ and Piano (1922)	Clifford Demarest (1874-1946)
Duet for Organ (1812) 1. Allegro	Samuel Wesley (1766-1837)
Prelude and Fugue in G major, BWV 550 (1710)	Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)
Sonata in D minor for Organ Four Hands, Op. 30 (1857) Allegro moderato Adagio Allegro con fuoco - Fugue	Gustav Merkel (1827-1885)
Dance Suite for Organ Duet (1997) 3. Polka and Cakewalk	Jacobus Kloppers (b. 1937)
Nola (1915)	Felix Arndt (1889-1918)
Piano Concerto No. 1 in E minor, Op. 11 (1830) 2. Romanze 3. Rondo	Frédéric Chopin (1810-1849)

St. Luke's Festival of the Senses  
presents  
ARMusica

Tuesday, October 6, 2015 • 7:00 P.M.

St. Luke's Episcopal Church  
4106 John F. Kennedy Blvd.  
North Little Rock, Arkansas

Julie Cheek, piano; Drew Irwin, violin; Stephen Feldman, cello. Arthur Honegger's Sonatine for Violin and Cello. Beethoven's Piano Trio in B-flat Major. Admission is free. Donations will be accepted to benefit the Thea Foundation.

Organ Recital  
Gail Archer, organist

Sunday, November 1, 2015 • 3:00 p.m.  
First United Methodist Church  
Bella Vista, Arkansas

Works by Buxtehude, Bach, Reger, Horatio Parker, and Mary Howe.

Dracula Unearthed

October 29-31, 2015 • 8:00 P.M.

Wildwood Park for the Arts  
20919 Denny Rd.  
Little Rock, Arkansas

Tickets: \$25 general admission  
\$50 VIP tickets / \$15 student admission  
Purchase Tickets  
at [wildwoodpark.org](http://wildwoodpark.org)

Arkansas Festival Ballet, Praeclara, and Wildwood Park for the Arts collaborate to present a new twist on a Halloween classic in *Dracula Unearthed*. This production combines dance, song, and dramatic narrative in exploring the multi-faceted legend of the famous vampire, extending his tale beyond the ending of Bram Stoker's 1897 novel.

Audience members are invited to immerse themselves in a full Dracula experience by attending in costume and participating in pre-show activities on the grounds of Wildwood Park. Enjoy drinks before the show. The festivities will begin at 6:30 each evening, with the Lucy Lockett Cabe Festival Theatre opening at 7:45 for seating. For more information, visit [praeclara.org](http://praeclara.org).

# Arts Calendar

**Tuesday, October 6 – 7:00 P.M.**

St. Luke's Festival of the Senses  
St. Luke's Episcopal Church  
North Little Rock, AR

**Thursday, October 8 – 7:30 P.M.**

LRCMS: Miller-Porfiris Duo  
St. Mark's Episcopal Church  
Little Rock, AR

**Friday, October 9 – 7:30 P.M.**

Arkansas Chamber Singers  
St. Edward's Catholic Church  
Little Rock, AR

**Sunday, October 11 – 3:00 P.M.**

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

**Thursday, October 15 – 7:30 P.M.**

Little Rock Wind Symphony  
Second Presbyterian Church  
Little Rock, AR

**Friday, October 16 – 8:00 P.M.**

CACAGO: Brian Jones & Bruce Adami  
First Presbyterian Church  
Little Rock, AR

**Saturday, October 17 – 7:30 P.M.**

ASO Masterworks: Dvorak Symphony 8  
Maumelle Performing Arts Center  
Maumelle, AR

**Sunday, October 18 – 3:00 P.M.**

ASO Masterworks: Dvorak Symphony 8  
Maumelle Performing Arts Center  
Maumelle, AR

**Saturday, October 24 – 7:30 P.M.**

ASO Pops: Cirque Musica  
Pulaski Academy Connor Performing Arts Center  
Little Rock, AR

**Sunday, October 25 – 3:00 P.M.**

ASO Pops: Cirque Musica  
Pulaski Academy Connor Performing Arts Center  
Little Rock, AR

**Tuesday, October 27 – 7:00 P.M.**

ASO Chamber  
Clinton Presidential Center  
Little Rock, AR

**Thursday, October 29 – 8:00 P.M.**

Praeclara: Dracula Unearthed  
Wildwood Performing Arts Center  
Little Rock, AR

**Friday, October 30 – 8:00 P.M.**

Praeclara: Dracula Unearthed  
Wildwood Performing Arts Center  
Little Rock, AR

**Saturday, October 31 – 8:00 P.M.**

Praeclara: Dracula Unearthed  
Wildwood Performing Arts Center  
Little Rock, AR

**Sunday, November 1 – 3:00 P.M.**

Organ Recital: Gail Archer, organist  
First United Methodist Church  
Bella Vista, AR

**Saturday, November 7 – 7:30 P.M.**

ASO Masterworks: Beethoven Symphony 8  
Maumelle Performing Arts Center  
Maumelle, AR

**Sunday, November 8 – 3:00 P.M.**

ASO Masterworks: Beethoven Symphony 8  
Maumelle Performing Arts Center  
Maumelle, AR

**Tuesday, November 17 – 7:00 P.M.**

ASO Chamber  
Clinton Presidential Center  
Little Rock, AR

**Thursday, November 19 – 7:30 P.M.**

LRCMS: Brooklyn Rider  
Wildwood Performing Arts Center  
Little Rock, AR

**Friday, November 20 – 8:00 P.M.**

CACAGO: Jonathan Moyer, organist  
Pulaski Heights United Methodist Church  
Little Rock, AR

**Sunday, November 22 – 4:00 P.M.**

Praeclara: Kristin Lewis, soprano  
Wildwood Performing Arts Center  
Little Rock, AR

**Sunday, November 29 – 3:00 P.M.**

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