



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 nice to see a large crowd at Ouachita Baptist University for the recital by James D. Christie. I haven't been to OBU to hear that organ since either 1988 or 1988—whenever the last CACAGO field trip to OBU was scheduled!

Our next chapter recital/meeting will be Friday, November 8 at First Presbyterian Church in Little Rock. Christopher Houlihan will be our guest artist. This promises to be a treat that you won't want to miss.

For a number of years Virginia Strohmeier-Miles has served as chapter historian and reporter. Earlier this month Virginia resigned both these positions. Virginia, we deeply appreciate all the

work you have done for the CACAGO over the past several years, and thank you your efforts. Bob Bidewell has agreed to take on the duties of reporter, but the historian slot is open—would anyone out there be interested? Also, I am looking for someone to take over the publicity position. I've been doing it for a couple of years but hey! it just isn't my area of expertise! Is anyone willing to work on this? Training is available.

Hope to see all of you on November 8 at First Presbyterian in Little Rock for a great concert!

Betty Cohen,
Dean

Upcoming CACAGO Programs

Friday, November 8

Christopher Houlihan, *organist*

First Presbyterian Church
800 Scott St.
Little Rock, Arkansas

Friday, December 6

Joby Bell, *organist*
Pulaski Heights UMC
4823 Woodlawn Dr.
Little Rock, Arkansas

Friday, January 10

20th Annual Richard Hixson

Birthday Recital

Nathan Laube, *organist*
Christ Episcopal Church
509 Scott St.
Little Rock, Arkansas

NOVEMBER PROGRAM

Friday, November 8, 2013

Christopher Houlihan, *organist*

Punchbowl — 6:15 P.M.

Dinner & Meeting — 6:45 P.M.

Recital — 8:00 P.M.

First Presbyterian Church

800 Scott Street

Little Rock, Arkansas

Following the recital, a reception will be held
at the home of Betty Deislinger, 1000 Rock St.

DINNER: The cost for dinner is \$15.00. For dinner reservations, contact Robert Lindley via e-mail (dinner@cacago.org) or phone (501) 217-6735. Robert is accepting reservations until noon on Wednesday, November 6. Your reservation will be confirmed via phone or e-mail. If you do not receive a confirmation, please contact Robert to assure your reservation has been received.



Biography of Christopher Houlihan

THE YOUNG American organist Christopher Houlihan has been labeled “gifted” (New York Times), “dazzling” (Wall Street Journal), and “one of the brightest stars in the new generation of American organists” (Cincinnati Enquirer).

He made his orchestral debut with the Hartford Symphony and recorded his first two CDs while still in college, prompting classmates to form the “Houli Fans,” a fan base that continues to grow on Facebook.

His “Vierne2012” tour attracted international attention and critical acclaim for performing the six organ symphonies of Louis Vierne in marathon concerts in six major North American cities. The Los Angeles Times called his performance there “a major surprise of the summer, a true revelation.”

He has been a featured performer at four conventions of the American Guild of Organists and will be a featured performer at the Organ Historical Society national convention in 2014. He is widely acknowledged as one of the brightest stars in the new generation of American organists, and was booked to perform

from coast to coast during his debut season under professional representation. He has performed professionally in 33 states and the District of Columbia as well as in three other countries.

Christopher Houlihan is a graduate of Trinity College in Connecticut where he studied with John Rose, his organ teacher from the age of twelve. He earned his master’s degree at The Juilliard School in New York where he studied with the Grammy Award-winning organist Paul Jacobs. He earned the “Prix de Perfectionnement” (equivalent to a university artist’s diploma in the US) from the French National Regional Conservatory in Versailles, and while in France served as assistant musician at the American Cathedral in Paris where he had the honor of performing for the then President and First Lady of the United States, Mr. and Mrs. George W. Bush.

During the 2013-2014 school year Christopher will serve an academic appointment as Artist in Residence at Trinity College in Connecticut in addition to his heavy performance schedule for the season.

November Program

Christopher Houlihan, organist

- Allegro, from Symphony No. 6, opus 42, no. 2 Charles-Marie Widor
(1844-1937)
- Tocata, Adagio and Fugue, BWV 564. Johann Sebastian Bach
(1685-1750)
- Vocalise in the form of a Habanera. Maurice Ravel
(1875-1937)
arr. C. Houlihan
- Prelude and Fugue on the name ‘Alain’ Maurice Duruflé
(1902-1986)
- Ich ruf zu dir, Herr Jesu Christ, BWV 639. Johann Sebastian Bach
- Passacaglia and Fugue in C minor, BWV 582. Johann Sebastian Bach

Treasurer's Report

INCOME	EXPENSES
REVENUE	ADMINISTRATIVE
Dues \$3,276.00	Dues to National \$2,029.00
Ad Sales \$220.00	Catering/Reception \$255.00
Meals \$270.00	Marketing/Public Relations \$0.00
Carry Over (FY13) \$8,809.51	Remaining Expenses \$246.75
Reception/Postage \$10.00	\$2,530.75
\$12,585.51	ARTISTIC
SUPPORT	Artist Fees/Housing \$2,485.00
Individuals \$400.00	Remaining Expenses \$0.00
Corporate/Church \$0.00	Tech/Production \$0.00
Endowment \$50.00	\$2,485.00
\$450.00	TOTAL EXPENSES \$5,015.75
TOTAL INCOME \$13,035.51	BALANCE \$8,019.76

Gounod Requiem in C
Cathedral Choir
accompanied by chamber orchestra

Saturday, November 2, 6:30 P.M.
Cathedral of St. Andrew
617 S. Louisiana, Little Rock

Duo Arête
Pianists Kristina Marinova
and Tatiana Roitman
Sunday, November 3, 7:00 P.M.
St. Luke's Episcopal Church
North Little Rock, Arkansas

Handel's Messiah
presented by
the El Dorado Chorale
Sunday, November 24, 4:00 P.M.
First Presbyterian Church
El Dorado, Arkansas

Position Available
Faith Lutheran Church (Missouri Synod)
Hot Springs Village, Arkansas

Position: Part-time Choir Director
Compensation: \$1,000 per month
(mileage, in addition, considered)

Job Description: Faith Lutheran Church, Hot Springs Village, Arkansas seeks a part-time Choir Director. The choir director will be responsible for one 90 minute choir rehearsal per week, one 90 minute handbell rehearsal per week, and one worship service on Sunday at 10:00 a.m. Rehearsal times flexible. Additional services during Advent and Lent as needed. For more information, or to apply, please contact:
Pastor Mark Carnahan
(501) 209-1500
pastorcflc@sbcglobal.net

HENDERSON STATE UNIVERSITY
Department of Music
presents

<p>Senior Organ Recital Jonathan Merritt, <i>organist</i> Sunday, November 24, 8:00 P.M. First United Methodist Church Arkadelphia, Arkansas</p> <p>Program: Fanfare by John Cook, Concerto in A minor after Vivaldi by J.S. Bach, Adagio for Strings by Samuel Barber, Roulade by Seth Bingham, Allegro Vivace from Symphonie No. 5 by Charles-Marie Widor</p>	<p>Junior Organ Recital Greg Simmons, <i>organist</i> Friday, December 6, 7:30 P.M. First United Methodist Church Arkadelphia, Arkansas</p> <p>Program: Dialogue for the Mixtures by Jean Langlais, Prelude and Fugue in B minor by J.S. Bach, Chorale No. 2 in B minor by César Franck, Chorale Toccata "In dir ist freude" by Robert Hobby</p>
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Mr. Merritt & Mr. Simmons are students of Dr. Kay McAfee

Arts Calendar

Saturday, November 2 – 6:30 p.m.

Requiem by Charles Gounod
Cathedral of Saint Andrew
Little Rock, Arkansas

Sunday, November 3 – 7:00 p.m.

Duo Arête
St. Luke's Episcopal Church
North Little Rock, Arkansas

Friday, November 8 – 7:00 p.m.

University of Arkansas Schola Cantorum
St. Paul's Episcopal Church
Fayetteville, Arkansas

Saturday, November 9 – 8:00 p.m.

Arkansas Symphony Orchestra: Masterworks
Robinson Center Music Hall
Little Rock, Arkansas

Sunday, November 10 – 3:00 p.m.

Arkansas Symphony Orchestra: Masterworks
Robinson Center Music Hall
Little Rock, Arkansas

Sunday, November 10 – 5:00 p.m.

Evensong
First United Methodist Church
Conway, Arkansas

Tuesday, November 12 – 7:00 p.m.

Arkansas Symphony Orchestra: Chamber Music
Clinton Presidential Center
Little Rock, Arkansas

Thursday, November 21 – 7:30 p.m.

LR Chamber Music Society
Trinity United Methodist Church
Little Rock, Arkansas

Sunday, November 24 – 4:00 p.m.

El Dorado Chorale presents Handel's Messiah
First Presbyterian Church
El Dorado, Arkansas

Sunday, November 24 – 8:00 p.m.

Senior Recital: Jonathan Merritt, organist
First United Methodist Church
Arkadelphia, Arkansas

Thursday, December 5 – 7:30 p.m.

Little Rock Wind Symphony
Second Presbyterian Church
Little Rock, Arkansas

Friday, December 6 – 7:30 p.m.

Junior Recital: Gregg Simmons, organist
First United Methodist Church
Arkadelphia, Arkansas

Friday, December 13 – 7:00 p.m.

Arkansas Chamber Singers
Arkansas Old State House Museum
Little Rock, Arkansas

Saturday, December 14 – 7:00 p.m.

Pine Bluff Symphony
Pine Bluff Convention Center
Pine Bluff, Arkansas

Saturday, December 14 – 7:00 p.m.

Arkansas Chamber Singers
Arkansas Old State House Museum
Little Rock, Arkansas

Sunday, December 15 – 3:00 p.m.

Arkansas Chamber Singers
Arkansas Old State House Museum
Little Rock, Arkansas

Friday, December 20 – 8:00 p.m.

Arkansas Symphony Orchestra: Pops
Robinson Center Music Hall
Little Rock, Arkansas

Saturday, December 21 – 8:00 p.m.

Arkansas Symphony Orchestra: Pops
Robinson Center Music Hall
Little Rock, Arkansas

Sunday, December 22 – 3:00 p.m.

Arkansas Symphony Orchestra: Pops
Robinson Center Music Hall
Little Rock, Arkansas