

September 29, 2011

FROM THE DEAN



Dean Jim Riggs

Dear Colleagues,

I hope to see many of you on Saturday at Oberlin for the 100th anniversary celebration of Jehan Alain. I have been told that some of our colleagues from Akron will be attending. Don Jackson reports he will have some yearbooks available to handout. Yearbooks will also be available for pick-up during the Cleveland Organ Weekend.

Yearbooks that have not been claimed by the end of October will be mailed.

In celebration of our upcoming Cleveland Organ Weekend, WCLV 104.9 will air two 1-hour programs of Liszt organ works played by Thomas Trotter, taken from our Choice CD of the Month, "Liszt: The Collection." The programs will air Wednesday nights at 9:00 pm on October 5th and 26th, and will be hosted by WCLV critic and organ aficionado, Jerome Crossley.

The month of October is here and so is some great programming. All we need is YOU to come and to connect.

With excitement, Jim



Dear AGO Cleveland Colleague,

Welcome to the Weekly Update from the Cleveland Chapter of the American Guild of Organists! Each week on Thursday, we publish this email newsletter to help you stay informed about activities and programs of the Cleveland AGO Chapter. Questions or comments? Please let us know: admin@agocleveland.org Have a news item for a future issue? Send to: newsletter@agocleveland.org. The deadline each week is Wednesday at noon for Thursday publication.

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Upcoming Cleveland Chapter Events

THIS SATURDAY!

Jehan Alain Centenary Celebration

Saturday, October 1, 2011, Oberlin Conservatory

1:00 - 2:00 ~ Lecture by Dr. Aurélie Decourt: "Jehan Alain: Musician and Poet"

2:00 - 3:00 ~ 2nd Lecture by Dr. Decourt:
"Jehan Alain: His Musical and Creative Inspiration"

4:00 - 5:30 ~ Concert in Finney Chapel

The two lectures will be given by Dr. Aurélie Decourt, the niece of Jehan Alain and the daughter of Marie-Claire Alain. The lectures will take place in KING 106, the large lecture room on the first floor. The building is on the northwest corner of College and Professor Streets--kitty-corner from the main Conservatory building (Bibbins). Parking is available in a lot behind KING (accessible from College Street after passing Tappan Square and the light at College & Professor), in the lot behind the KOHL building (the new jazz building) or in a large lot just beyond the First United Methodist Church on

Professor Street). **PLEASE NOTE:** The location of the lectures and these directions are different from what has been in previous weekly updates.

Find out [more about Jehan Alain](#), his life and music.

Upcoming Executive Committee Meetings

Monday, October 3, 2011, 7:30-9:00 PM
Church of the Covenant

Monday, November 14, 2011, 7:30-9:00 PM
Lakewood Presbyterian Church

Cleveland Organ Weekend

Friday, Saturday and Sunday, October 28, 29, 30, 2011
See the [full schedule](#) of events
(with even more detail to come)

Cleveland Organ Weekend poster is [now available for download](#) as a PDF from the chapter web site. Please help advertise this exciting weekend of organ music. The poster was designed to be printed on legal size paper. Natural and cream papers look quite rich with the color scheme, but white is also fine. If you don't have legal paper at home, please print it at your church if possible. If you print on letter size paper, please consider trimming the sides. A supply of posters will be available at the October meeting in Oberlin or you may contact Don Jackson at donclef@aol.com.

Can You Help Identify This Organist?



Do you know who this woman is?

Greetings,

I am the newsletter editor for the Richmond, VA AGO chapter. I am trying to run down some information to help one of our members. The attached photo is of a lady who was apparently an organist in the Cleveland area during the 1920's. We are trying to gather more information on her. I was wondering if your chapter archives contain any information about her or about the organ at WHK Radio studio, or if any of your members may happen to remember her. We are not even sure if her name is Arjant or Anjant since her autograph leaves some doubt as to the correct letters.

Any help or leads would be much appreciated.

Thanks,
John DeMajo
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Concerts

Friday, September 30 at 7:30 p.m.: St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 2747 Fairmount Blvd., Cleveland Heights, Jaroslav Tuma, Internationally acclaimed organist from Prague, Czech Republic, works by J.J. Froberger, J.S. Bach, O. Kvech, improvisation on themes from B. Smetana's "My Country" Freewill offering.

Sunday, October 2 at 3:00 p.m.: Trinity Lutheran Church, 2031 West 30th St., Cleveland, Ohio. www.ClevelandBeckerath.org. David Tidyman will play harpsichord music by Baroque composers (Froberger, Couperin, and Seixas) and modern ones - a sonata by Persichetti and David's transcriptions of "Mad Rush" and Metamorphosis Three" by Philip Glass.

Sunday, October 2 at 4:15 p.m.: St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 2747 Fairmount Blvd, Cleveland Heights. Karel Paukert, organ. Works by American Composers L. Sowerby, V. Thomson, A. Copland, R. Sessions followed at 5:00 p.m. by Choral Evensong, St. Paul's Senior Choir, Dr. Steven Plank, conductor

Wednesday, October 5 at 12:00 p.m.: Music Near the Market at Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church, 2031 West 30th St., Cleveland. CONTACT: Florence Mustric: 216.321.1393. Featuring the world-famous von Beckerath organ. FREE concerts AT NOON on Wednesdays. David Tidyman, harpsichord

Wednesday, October 5, at 12:10 p.m.: Trinity Cathedral, E. 22nd & Euclid Avenue, Downtown Cleveland, 216.774.0420 for more information. Music and Art at Trinity Cathedral. Brownbag Concert Series. Join us for the premier Brownbag Concert of the 2011/12 season. Jaroslav Tuma, organist. Music by Klicka, Wiedermann, Bach and more. Please send contact information if you would like to receive our Fall 2011 Brownbag Concert brochure. Music and Art at Trinity Cathedral is pleased to present weekly concerts featuring solo and duet performances, a variety of organ music, as well as jazz, sacred, chamber and symphonic music.

Friday, October 7 at 7:30 p.m.: Painesville United Methodist Church, 71 North Park Place, Painesville, Ohio. We are excited to present a recital by Todd Wilson on Friday October 7th. at 7:30 pm. A freewill offering will be taken.

Friday, October 7 at 7:30 p.m.: St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, 627 McKinley Avenue NW, Canton, Ohio. John W. W. Sherer, organ. (John is the Director of Music/Organist at Fourth Presbyterian Church - Chicago).

Saturday, October 8 at 7:30 p.m.: Fairmount Presbyterian Church, 2757 Fairmount Blvd. Cleveland Heights, OH 44118. 216.321.5800. www.fairmountchurch.org. Cornerstone Chorale & Brass. The renowned 22-voice choir and brass quintet present a program entitled I Make All Things New, emphasizing spiritual renewal and call to service. Following concerts at Carnegie Hall and Lincoln Center, the New York Concert Review called them "top-notch, with a high level of musicianship...a fine blend of vocal quality with pitch and rhythmic precision...the evening provided a message of great importance."

Sunday, October 9, at 4:00 p.m.: Thomas Murray, Organist from Yale University will present a solo organ concert as part of the Re-dedication Series of the E.M. Skinner, Opus 582 at Stambaugh Auditorium, 1500 Fifth Avenue, Youngstown, Ohio. Program to include works by Hollins, Saint-Saëns, Elgar, J.S. Bach, Widor, Dupré, Rimsky-Korsakov and Mendelssohn. Tickets are available through the Stambaugh Auditorium box office - 330.259.0555 or online: [stambaughauditorium / tickets](http://stambaughauditorium.com/tickets). Tickets also available at the door the day of the concert. Adults \$20, Seniors \$10, Students \$7. A Buffet Reception will be held following the concert at \$12.00 a person. Advance tickets also available through Stambaugh Auditorium.

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Gerry Mass, our Cleveland Chapter Placement Officer collects and updates job openings in the area. Although they are not listed in the weekly updates, there is a link in the "Quick Links" section every week that will take you to the updated list on the chapter website. Questions or need help finding a position? Email: placement@agocleveland.org



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