

Weekly Update

American Guild of Organists Cleveland Chapter

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FROM THE WEB ADMINISTRATOR

Dear AGO Colleagues,

Dean Jim Riggs is taking a break this week. We have a number of concert listings for your consideration. I draw your attention especially to the performance being given by Paul Hillier and the Theatre of Voices at the Cleveland Museum of Art on February 1. This will be choral singing of the highest order and will feature the austere but arresting music of Arvo Pärt. (Note that this is a personal recommendation; I am not speaking on behalf of the Cleveland AGO Chapter, which has no affiliation with the concert.)

It is also good to see the growing number of mid-day concerts at various venues around Cleveland, including those long time presenters at Trinity Lutheran Church on West 30th Street, and the Brownbag Concerts at Trinity Cathedral. Other churches are now presenting on a seasonal basis. All of these events are good publicity for the organ as an instrument and not just something to hear on Sunday morning. Cheers to those of you who present these concerts!

There will be a chapter Executive Committee meeting next week, and Jim promises considerable news following that meeting, so stay tuned.

Best regards,
Tim Robson
AGO Cleveland
Web Administrator



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

Embracing the Past; Embracing the Future

Saturday, February 25, 2012, in the morning
St. Peter's Episcopal Church, Lakewood
Details to follow.

Upcoming Executive Committee Meeting

Monday, January 23, 2012; 7:30 pm
Plymouth Church, Shaker Heights

Concerts

Wednesdays: 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.

January 18 & 25: Robert Myers, organ. "Pachelbel and Bach partitas."

Friday, January 20 and Saturday, January 21 at 6:00 p.m.: Trinity Cathedral Cleveland | 2230 Euclid Avenue | Cleveland | OH | 44115. The Medieval Feasts, historic style banquets with period costumes, are held annually in the Cathedral Nave and serve as Music and Art at Trinity Cathedral's major fundraising event. Mark your calendars now for the 2012 Feasts, scheduled for January 20 and 21. For tickets, call 216.774.0420.

Friday, January 20 at 7:00 p.m.: Fairmount Presbyterian Church, 2757 Fairmount Blvd, Cleveland Heights, OH 44118, 216.321.5800. www.fairmountchurch.org. Cabaret: Dinner and Song. Chase away the winter cold with a gourmet meal and entertainment by the Fairmount Choir section leaders, demonstrating their vocal abilities on the lighter side. Tickets required.

Saturday, January 21 at 7:00 p.m.: Church of the Saviour, 2537 Lee Road, Cleveland Heights, Ohio 44118, 216.321.8880. www.chsaviour.org. Ohio Northern University Singers. Directed by Dr. Ben Ayling, this highly-respected select 48-voice choir sings regularly with the Toledo, Lima, and Perrysburg symphony Orchestras. Annual concert tours have included the United States, Canada, England, Germany, France, Switzerland, Wales, and Estonia. Free-will offering. Free lighted parking, handicapped accessible.

Sunday, January 29 at 3:00 p.m.: Holy Family Church, 3179 Kent Rd. Stow, OH 44224. Dedication Concert on the new Johannus Organ. Timothy Claubaugh, Guest Organist.

Sunday, January 29 at 4:00 p.m.: Plymouth Church, 2860 Coventry Rd., Cleveland, OH; 216.921.3510 x 34. Les Delices, Debra Nagy, director. Caractères de la danse. Tickets at the door or at www.lesdelices.org. Plymouth members receive a 10% discount.

Monday, January 30 at 7:30 p.m.: Church of the Covenant, 11205 Euclid Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio 44106. www.CovenantWeb.org. 216.421.0482. Jonathon Moyer, organist. "The Saint-Clotilde Legacy." Music by Franck, Pierné, Toumemire, Bonnal, and Langlais. Free Admission.

Wednesday, February 1 at 7:30 p.m.: Cleveland Museum of Art, 11150 East Boulevard Cleveland, OH 44106. Gartner Auditorium. 216.707.2281. Theatre of Voices: Arvo Pärt-Creator Spiritus. With special guest Christopher Bowers-Broadbent, organ. "Everything Paul Hillier touches turns to choral gold." -New York Times. The serenely beautiful choral music of Estonian composer Arvo Pärt is at the heart of this program by Theatre of Voices, widely recognized as one of Europe's foremost vocal groups. Pärt's spare and deeply moving sacred music appeared prominently in the west after the demise of the stifling Soviet state, and yet sounds like music we have known for centuries. Since the creation of Theatre of Voices twenty years ago, director Paul Hillier has championed Pärt's music, performing it globally. He was Principal Conductor of the Estonian Philharmonic Chamber Choir (2001-2007) and has been Chief Conductor of Ars Nova Copenhagen since 2003. In 2006 Hillier was awarded an OBE for services to choral music, and his hundreds of recordings have earned worldwide acclaim and numerous prizes. Program also includes choral music by Guillaume de Machaut, John Dunstable, Kevin Volans, and Pelle Gudmundsen Holmgreen, and features organist Christopher Bowers-Broadbent. Info: www.clevelandart.org



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A Note About Job Postings

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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