## **Weekly Update**

### American Guild of Organists Cleveland Chapter

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#### 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: <a href="mailto:admin@agocleveland.org">admin@agocleveland.org</a> Have a news item for a future issue? Send to: <a href="mailto:newsletter@agocleveland.org">newsletter@agocleveland.org</a>. The deadline each week is Wednesday at noon for Thursday publication.

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## From the Dean



Fern Jennings

I met with Jim Riggs this week for the hand-over of the Dean's material, officially ending Jim's tenure as your Dean. Leaving very big shoes to fill, I must say. I am impressed by Jim's leadership- his professionalism, organizational skills, and creativity. Highlights of his term include instituting the weekly update, last fall's organ week, and the NYACOP semi-finals. Our thanks to Jim and outgoing Officers, Leah Hottel and David Powers as well as Robert Moncrief, Peg Limkemann and Jonathan Moyer, who have completed three year terms on the Executive Committee.

One of the strengths of this organization is the support that has been given over the years by members who serve off-board as chairs of standing committees. One such person, who has been chair of the Professional Concerns Committee for many years, is Robert Schneider. Bob has represented the chapter in a number of grievance procedures over the years- a difficult process at best. Bob has resigned from that committee. We thank him for his service. Also, Missy Koch, who has been sending our chapter event information to

The American Organist, has notified me of her resignation. Our thanks to Missy.

Cliff Hill has agreed to chair the Professional Concerns Committee for our Chapter. Betty Myers will do submissions to *TAO*. I am filling other committee positions and will prepare an update in the coming weeks.

Best to you, Fern

# **Upcoming Cleveland Chapter Events**

### **Next Chapter Executive Committee Meeting**

Monday, August 27, 2012 7:30-9:00 pm Brecksville United Methodist Church 65 Public Square, Brecksville, OH

### SUMMER WEEKLY UPDATE SCHEDULE

Note that next week, June 14, will be the last weekly update until July 12, so please submit all news and calendar updates no later than noon on Wednesday, June 13. There will be one additional summer update on August 23. We will resume weekly updates on September 6. The deadlines will continue to be the Wednesday before the Thursday publication dates. Be sure to send news and calendar updates to <a href="mailto:newsletter@agocleveland.org">newsletter@agocleveland.org</a> before the deadlines.

# **Looking for an Organist**

[Note: the following query came through on the AGO Cleveland web site. If you have information to share, please contact Rev. Bacon directly.]

A colleague of mine is a hospice chaplain. Recently a patient of hers died and we are trying to locate a friend of hers whose name, unfortunately, is eluding us. I am hoping you might know him.

All we know about him is that he is approximately 60 years old and is Irish - still with quite a thick accent. He used to teach our patient organ and likely played in Catholic parishes in cleveland.

If you know of anyone who fits this bill would you please contact me? Thank you for your help.

Rev. Anissa Bacon anissa.bacon@gmail.com

## **EXCITING AGO CONVENTION 2012 NEWS**



Recognize these composers?

Alain, Ayres, Bach (C.P.E.), Bach (J.S.), Bao, Beethoven, Belier, Biery, Bingham, Bovet, Boyle, Brahms, Burrell, Buxtehude, Chilcott, Conte, Cooman, Couperin, Daley, Davison, Demessiux, Dove, Duparc, Dupré, Duruflé, Dvorák, Eben, Eddins, Elgar, Escaich, Esenvalds, Franck, Gjeilo, Grundahl, Grunenwald, Guilmant, Hallock, Handel, Hanson, Holst, Honegger, Hopson, Howells, Ives, Jongen, Landmann, Leclair, Leighton, Liszt, Macmillan, Martin, McDermid, Mendelssohn, Monti, Mussorgsky, Mozart, Nyman, Parsons, Pärt, Paulus, Phillips, Powell, Praulins, Puccini, Purcell, Reger, Renaud, Reubke, Rimsky-Korsakov, Rossini, Rutter, Saint-Saëns, Sandstrom, Schumann, Schütz, Shearing, Sierra, Smith, Snider, Soro, Stravinsky, Stucky, Sumsion, Sweelinck, Tallis, Tavener, Tchaikovsky, Tournemire, Vierne, Wagner, Whitlock, and Widor.

Music written by all of these composers will be performed by internationally acclaimed artists and

choral groups in a single week at the AGO National Convention in Nashville, Tenn., July 1-6, 2012.

For a concise summary of these performances, please click here for an <u>Excel file</u> or <u>click here</u> for a PDF.

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## **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.

Sunday, June 10 at 2:00 p.m.: The Cleveland Institute of Music, 11021 East Blvd, Cleveland, OH 44106. Tri-Lithuanian Choir Concert. Three Lithuanian Choirs, Dainava from Chicago, Exultate from St. Casimirs Parish in Cleveland, and Volunge from Toronto will be joining forces to perform a concert as an ensemble of 120 singers on June 10, 2012, at 2 p.m. at the Cleveland Institute of Music, 11021 East Blvd, Cleveland, OH 44106 in University Circle. The program, Ancestral Psalms, will consist of 2 parts, the first, traditional Lithuanian folk songs as well as pieces by contemporary Lithuanian composers, some written specifically for this concert, and the second, a performance of the Saint Cecilia Mass by Charles Gounod accompanied by a 22 piece orchestra and 3 soloists. All three of the choirs are well-established in their respective cities, have toured extensively in the USA and Canada, and each recorded several CDs. The 3 choir directors, Rita Cyvas-Kliorys (Exultate) Dalia Skrinskas-Viskontas (Volunge), and Darius Polikaitis (Dainava ) have distinguished themselves in the field of Lithuanian music and have all had the honor of conducting at the Lithuanian Folksong Festival in Vilnius, Lithuania. The choirs have dedicated the last 2 years to preparing for this concert and last performed in Cleveland together 12 years ago. It is truly an event not to be missed. Tickets for the concert are \$20 and \$30 and can be purchased by contacting Rauda Gelazis at 440-358-1785 or by email at raudagelazis@hotmail.com

Sunday, June 10 at 3:00 p.m.: Holy Rosary Catholic Church, 12021 Mayfield Road, Cleveland, Ohio 44106. 216.421.2995. A Special Concert: "DAWNING." A rare and joyous combination. Classical meets Folk Music in a multilingual setting! Beautiful tunes, solo and choral songs in Irish, Estonian and English in novel and original arrangements. Shanua & Friends. Featuring Ülle Laido and Dermot Somerville. Vocals, harp. organ, keyboard, guitars flute, and whistle with Special Guests. Julie Andrijeski, violin, viola; Becca Rhoades, violin; Paul Dreisbach, oboe; Tracy Mortimore, double bass; Members of the Holy Rosary Coro. Freewill donation to benefit the Cleveland Foodbank.

Saturday, June 23 at 6:00 p.m.: Holy Name Church, 8328 Broadway Ave., Cleveland, Ohio 44105. Holy Name Parish is proud to present a Spring into Summer Concert on Saturday, June 23, 2012 at 6 o'clock p.m. Organized by parishioner and violinist Carol Ruzicka and in association with organist David Behm, the concert will feature Vivaldi's Spring from the Four Seasons, Brahms' Trio for Piano, Violin and Strings, Corelli's Sonata for Violin and Organ and Amy Beach's Sonata for Violin and Piano. Also performing will be Bonita Maky-Rosen, violin, Luane Lasky, viola, Gayle Klaber, cello, Cindy Wulff, french horn, Cara Chowning, piano and David Behm, organ. A reception in the Church will follow the evening's concert. Admission: A can of food for the St. Vincent de Paul Ozanam Center at Holy Name. Secured parking will be provided.

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### **Contact Us**

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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

