



The Tulsa Tracker

Newsletter of the Tulsa Chapter,
American Guild of Organists
March, 2019

From the Dean...

Dear friends,

I would like to thank **Ron Pearson** and everyone at First Presbyterian Church for hosting the OU student recital in early February. It was a great opportunity to support the students and to hear some unfamiliar repertoire as well!

I look forward to our next chapter event in April, and I appreciate the initiative **Eliot Glaser** has taken in planning this online resources workshop. I hope many of you can attend.

I wish you all a Holy Lent,

Joseph

Joseph Arndt, Dean

From the Sub-Dean...

Dear friends and colleagues,

I've enjoyed our series of programs this year and I am looking forward to Eliot Glaser's workshop on April 25th and our end-of-the-year party. The time is fast approaching to plan the next program year. It matters to us a great deal that we provide programming that you will enjoy and find useful. The best way for this to happen is for you to let us know what you want to see offered. Please feel free to contact me at any time with any suggestions. My number is 918.240.5559 and email is tcast978@gmail.com. And if you are asked to serve on the program committee, please do so if you possibly can!

Terry

Terry Cast, Sub-Dean

2021 Regional Convention Update!



I'm pleased to let you know that we have confirmed a hotel for our convention in 2021! The Hyatt Regency downtown, 100 E 2nd Street will be the Convention Headquarters. This is an excellent location because of the easy access to many venues.

The dates of the convention have changed to **July 5-8 2021**. The reason for the change is that the hotel room rate will be \$15 a night cheaper than our original dates. I hope this will make our convention more affordable, and help increase attendance.

I would encourage as many of you as possible to attend the Regional Convention this summer in Denver. The line-up is fantastic and Denver is

a wonderful city with much to offer. Registering is easy - you can do it online. See a link for registration elsewhere in the Tracker. Make your plans now to be in Denver this summer (July 7-10) to help prepare for 2021! – *Casey Cantwell*

Thanks to AOI Students **David Anderson, Solena Rizzato** and **Ben Clark** for their excellent playing, and thanks to **Ron Pearson** and First Presbyterian Church for hosting the event.



February 1, 2019

Joseph Arndt, Chapter Dean; David Anderson, Solena Rizzato, Ben Clark, Recitalists; Terry Cast, Sub-Dean; Michael Bedford, AGO National President

In the Community:

Organ Recital • Sunday, March 3 at 3:00pm

Organist **Paul Jacobs** in concert • Tickets \$20 • Performance is expected to sell out, order early!
St. John's Episcopal Church, 4200 S Atlanta Place, Tulsa • Call 918-742-7381 for tickets

Choral Evensong • Sunday, March 3 at 5:00pm

Sung by the Trinity Choir: William Byrd *Responses*; Stanford *Service in B-flat Major*; Gardiner *Evening Hymn*
Trinity Episcopal Church, 501 S Cincinnati, Tulsa • Reception following

Tuesdays at Trinity • 30-minute recitals starting at 12:05pm

March 5 – **Vicki Smith**, Organist
March 12 – **Michael Bedford**, Organist Emeritus – St. John's Episcopal Church
March 19 – **Brad Morgan**, Tenor
March 26 – **Nancy Farmer** and **Linda Frazier**, Sopranos
Trinity Episcopal Church, 501 S Cincinnati, Tulsa

The Art of Music: March Miniatures • Wednesday, March 6 • Refreshments 10:00am; Musicale 10:30am

Hyechka Club of Tulsa presents **Nancy Farmer** and **Linda Frazier**, Sopranos; **Donald Ryan**, Piano; **Hazel Rowena Mills**, Flute; The Hyechka Chorus directed by **Caitlin Norton**
All Souls Unitarian Church, 2952 S Peoria Avenue, Tulsa

All-Bernstein Choral Concert • Thursday, March 7 at 7:00pm

The Signature Chorale will perform the *Chichester Psalms* with **Aaron Beck**, Conductor; **Lorelei Barton**, Harp; **Russell Grant**, Percussion; **Michael Bedford**, Organ. Choral Suites from *Candide* and *West Side Story* will also be presented • Sherwin-Miller Museum of Jewish Art, 2021 E 71st St, Tulsa • Free

Second Saturday Silents • Saturday, March 9 at 11:00am

Screening the 1925 feature silent film "A Child of The Prairie" starring Tom Mix, accompanied by **Bill Rowland** on the Circle's original 1928 theatre pipe organ, along with a funny Felix the Cat silent cartoon with "walk-in" music by Circle House Organist **Phil Judkins**. The Tom Mix museum in Dewey, OK is providing memorabilia and artifacts for the public to view and enjoy, and, this Saturday ALL TICKETS ARE FREE!! courtesy of HUGHES LUMBER COMPANY of Tulsa and Dewey. The Circle Cinema is located at 10 South Lewis in Tulsa



Choral Works of Ralph Vaughan Williams • Saturday, March 9 at 7:30pm

Tulsa Oratorio Chorus will present music of peace and harmony, featuring two of Vaughan Williams' most beloved choral works: *Flos Campi* and *Dona Nobis Pacem*, accompanied by the Tulsa Symphony Orchestra.

"This performance is a celebration of what makes a choir a beautiful instrument," says Tim Sharp, Artistic Director for TOC. "Ralph Vaughan Williams defined the choral-orchestral form in the 20th century.

Tickets are \$25 Regular; \$20 Seniors; \$10 Students

Visit tulsachorus.com for tickets and more information

Lorton Performing Arts Center, 8th & S Harvard, TU Campus, Tulsa

Music at Midday • Recitals on Wednesdays at Noon, followed by homemade lunch for \$8.00 at 12:30pm

March 13 - **Joseph Arndt**, organist

March 20 - **Bryan Anderson**, organist (St Thomas a Episcopal Church, Houston)

March 27 - **Samuel Backman**, organist (St Philip's Episcopal Church, Ardmore)

St. John's Episcopal Church, 4200 S Atlanta Place, Tulsa

Organ Recital • Sunday, March 17 at 4:00pm

Organist **Cody Lowery** in recital on the recently installed 4-rank, 295-pipe US Organ Company pipe organ
First UMC, 108 E Third, Hominy • Reception following

Choral Evensong • Sunday, March 17 at 5:00pm

Sung by the Trinity Choir: Thomas Tomkins *Responses*; Adrian Batten *Service in a minor*; Orlande de Lassus *Adoramus te, Christe* • Trinity Episcopal Church, 501 S Cincinnati, Tulsa • Reception following

Lunchtime Recital • Wednesday, March 20 at 12:00noon

Organist **Stephen Kucera** in a 30-minute concert

First Presbyterian Church, 505 S Dewey, Bartlesville

Music at the Mansion • Thursday, March 21 at 2:00pm

Featuring pianist **Angeline LeLeux** and friends • Tulsa Historical Society, 2445 S Peoria Ave, Tulsa

Bach Birthday Bash • Thursday, March 21 at 6:00pm

Enjoy a concert featuring works for organ, orchestra and choir

Holy Family Cathedral, 8th and S Boulder, downtown Tulsa

Congregational Evensong • Sunday, March 31 at 5:00pm

Sung by the congregation in the choir stalls • Responses and Service Music, *Hymnal 1982*

Trinity Episcopal Church, 501 S Cincinnati, Tulsa

Lenten Choral Evensong • Sunday, March 31 at 5:30pm

St. John's Episcopal Church, 4200 S Atlanta Place, Tulsa



In the Region:

Organ Recital • Friday, March 1 at 8:00pm

Organist **William Trafka** (retired Organist/Choirmaster, St Bartholomew's Church, NYC) in concert
Trinity Episcopal Cathedral, 310 W 17th, Little Rock, AR

It's Almost Spring • Sunday, March 3 at 12:10pm

Pianist **Broc Hite** presents a recital featuring music of Mozart and Tchaikovsky
First UMC, 20 Boyce Drive, Bella Vista, AR

Organ Recital • Sunday, March 3 at 2:00pm

Organist **Martin Bambauer** in concert • First Presbyterian Church, 1000 Penn Street, Fort Worth, TX

Organ Recital • Sunday, March 3 at 7:00pm

Organist **Martin Bambauer** in concert • Broadway Baptist Church, 305 W Broadway, Fort Worth, TX

Kemp Concert Series • Tuesday, March 5 at 7:30pm

Presenting the Sea Chanters, the official chorus of the U.S. Navy Band • Free tickets at kempconcerts.org
First Presbyterian Church, 1001 NW 25th Street, Oklahoma City

The Jazz Organ • March 8 and 9 at 8:00pm



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Symphony and Organ Concert • Saturday, March 9 at 7:00pm

The Enid Symphony Orchestra will present a concert featuring internationally-acclaimed organist **Barbara Baird**. The program will include Charles Ives' *Symphony No. 3*, *The Camp Meeting*, Horatio Parker's *Organ Concerto*, and Ottorino Respighi's *Pines of Rome*.

First UMC, 401 W Randolph, Enid, OK • Tickets at <http://enidsymphony.org/201819-concert-season>

Choral Evensong and Organ Recital • Sunday, March 10 at 5:00pm

Sung by the Cathedral Choir and Organist **Mary Zelinski**, Doctoral Student at University of Oklahoma
St. Paul's Episcopal Cathedral, 127 NW 7th Street, Oklahoma City

AGO Members' Recital • Sunday, March 10 at 2:30pm

Members of the Cimarron Chapter **Brad Newcomb, Thomas Taylor Dickey, Micheal Crockett, Rebecca te Velde,** and **Gerald Frank** in recital • First Christian Church, 411 W Matthews Avenue, Stillwater

Lenten Organ Recital Series • Sundays at 3:00pm

March 17 – Michael Bedford, President of the AGO

March 24 – Steven McConnell, Organist, First Baptist Church, Oklahoma City

March 31 – Michael Scott, Director of Music and Organist, Our Lady of Perpetual Help Cathedral, Oklahoma City
St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church, 1901 NW 18th, Oklahoma City

Choral Concert • Sunday, March 17 at 4:00pm

The Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys in Concert • Tickets at incarnation.org
Church of the Incarnation, 3966 McKinney Ave, Dallas, TX

Choral Concert • Thursday, March 21 at 7:00pm

The Saint Thomas Choir of Men and Boys in Concert • Contact talexander@christchurchlr.org for tickets
Christ Episcopal Church, 509 Scott Street, Little Rock, AR

Robert T Anderson Recital Series • Thursday, March 21 at 7:30pm

Organist **David Higgs** in concert • Church of the Incarnation, 3966 McKinney Ave, Dallas, TX • Free

Organ Prelude and Compline • Sunday, March 31 at 5:00pm

St. Paul's Episcopal Cathedral, 127 NW 7th Street, Oklahoma City

Coming Events:

SOLI DEO GLORIA Music • Friday, April 5 at 7:30pm

Organist **Rebecca te Velde** in concert • Admission free; Freewill Offering to SDG Music
First Presbyterian Church, 524 S Duncan, Stillwater • Reception following

A Lenten Concert • Sunday, April 7 at 5:00pm

The Chancel Choir presents *Requiem* by John Rutter, with orchestra
First Presbyterian Church, 709 S Boston Ave, Tulsa • Free • Reception following

Organ Recital • Thursday, April 11 at 7:00pm

Terry Cast, organist, with special guest **Ashley Allison**, cellist. Music of Bach, Fauré, Werman, Brahms and more.
Kirk of the Hills, 4102 E 61st St, Tulsa

Thomas Matthews Memorial Concert • Friday, May 10 at 7:00pm

Organist **Chelsea Chen** in Concert • Trinity Episcopal Church, 501 S Cincinnati, Tulsa • Gala reception following

Raleigh Ringers in Concert • Monday, June 10 at 7:00pm

Coming to the Mary Glass Performing Arts Center in Owasso • Visit <http://www.GCR-handbell-festival.weebly.com> for information and tickets

THE DIAPASON



Notes: John's Episcopal Church
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**The cover of the February, 2019 issue of
The Diapason is the new Schoenstein Organ at
St. John's Episcopal Church, Tulsa**

Congratulations!!



Registration is now open! We hope you will join us in the city of Denver, Colorado for four days of amazing music, artists, organs, cathedrals, and the magnificence of Colorado's natural beauty.

Colorado is the newest member of the Southwest Region of the American Guild of Organists. As such, it is my pleasure to welcome each of you as well as our friends and friends-to-be from the Southwest region and beyond to this convention. And it is also my privilege to invite you to share with us as we celebrate the gift of organ and choral music in Denver.

Featured artists include **John Schwandt** opening the convention at Trinity Methodist Church on the 1888 82-rank Roosevelt organ, **Yoon-Mi Lim** at Ascension Episcopal Church on the beautiful 2009 Murphy Organ, **Scott Montgomery** on the 70-rank Casavant organ at First Church of Christ, Scientist, **Damin Spritzer** on the recently

TAO-featured massive Kimball organ with the new Spencer Company Antiphonal Organ at Saint John's Cathedral, **Matthew Dirst** on the sublime Martin Ott mechanical action organ at Christ Episcopal Church, and **Richard Webb** on the 2018 Charles Kegg organ at Saint John Vianney Theological Seminary (also recently featured in the TAO). We will also have with us two young organists, **Collin Miller**, an AGO Rising Star who performed at the Kansas City National Convention, and **Bryan Dunnewald**, acclaimed organist and conductor and a Colorado native who has his musical roots in Denver. To close the convention, **Marie-Bernadette Dufourcet-Hakim** will perform on the 1911 Kimball (1996 Morel) French-inspired organ in the Basilica Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception.

We will be hosting a marvelous hymn festival by **Jan Kraybill** and **Brian Hehn**. We are proud to have with us the internationally acclaimed **Air & Hammers** with **Maxine Thévenot** and **Edmund Connolly**, as well as nationally recognized Colorado ensembles such as the **Bennie L. Williams Spiritual Singers**, **St. Martin's Chamber Choir**, and the **Baroque Chamber Orchestra of Colorado**. All will feature prominently during our four days together. Workshops and Worship sessions will be inspiring and unique. The program committee is pleased that every state in the Southwest Region – Colorado, New Mexico, Texas, Louisiana, Oklahoma and Arkansas – will be represented at the convention.

The Southwest Convention is affordable at the early regular registration rate of **\$350** which includes several meals. The early registration rate for young organists is only **\$125**.

More information and a link to register is available at www.agodenver2019.org.

We look forward to seeing you in Denver July 7-10, 2019!

Brian du Fresne, AAGO, Convention Coordinator



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