

The Tracker

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Knoxville Chapter of the American Guild of Organists



The purpose of the American Guild of Organists is to promote the organ in its historic and evolving roles, to encourage excellence in the performance of organ and choral music, and to provide a forum for mutual support, inspiration, education, and certification of Guild members.

Knoxville AGO

presents

Members Recital

Monday, May 2

7:30 p.m.

First Presbyterian Church

Morristown, TN

Recitalists include: John Brock, Karl Jacobs,
Andrew Morehead, Brad Rule, and Deborah Sanders

Dean's Message



As we close out the current program year for Knoxville AGO, I would like to note that our monthly programs have been held in eight different locations! Once a month from September through May we have come from Knoxville, Oak Ridge, Maryville, and Morristown for fellowship, professional connections, and quality programs related to our profession in church music. Most often we meet in centrally located Knoxville. On May 2, however, we will travel to First Presbyterian Church in Morristown for an organ recital by several of our chapter members. We will also install our new officers for 2016-17. I hope you will plan to come and support your outgoing and incoming leadership as well as fellow members participating in the program. A carpool is being organized by Andrew Morehead; if you need a ride or if you are willing to take a passenger or two, please let Andrew know when you make your dinner reservation for this final meeting of the year.

Finally, I would like to thank everyone who has had a role in Knoxville AGO this year. You have been generous with your time and talents, and it takes all of us working together to be a successful chapter. It has been a pleasure serving as your Dean for the past year!

Deborah Sanders

2015/16 AGO Board Members

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**Renew
Your
Membership**

**DEADLINE
IS
JULY 1**

It is time to renew your AGO membership.

Benefits of AGO membership are:

Annual subscription to The American Organist

Access to national job postings

Eligibility for high-quality insurance plans for health, car, home, and professional liability at competitive rates

Discounts on AGO convention fees and educational resources

Discounts on Certification exam fees

Chapter events such as recitals, workshops, meetings, and seminars (chapter members only)

Voting privileges in officer elections

Local chapters hold regular meetings featuring performances, lectures, seminars, and discussions on a wide variety of topics. Many chapters also offer monthly newsletters, scholarship programs, musician placement services, and substitute referrals to employing institutions. If you are not interested in the above benefits (with the exception of chapter events) you can join as Chapter Friend. To renew your membership online go to www.agohq.org. If you prefer to renew by mail, please contact Karl Jacob at karljake@aol.com to get a mail-in renewal form.

Regular \$100

Special (age 65 or over, under 21, or disabled) \$75

Partner (2nd member at same address, no TAO) \$75

Full-time Student (with school ID) \$40

Dual (paid to second chapter)* \$39

Student Dual (paid to second chapter)* \$13

Chapter Friend \$50

Lifetime Membership \$3,000



THE 2016 AGO NATIONAL CONVENTION will showcase vibrant performances, world-class instruments, enlightening workshops, creative new music and inspiring worship. There will be many opportunities to meet fellow musicians and create dynamic connections. All AGO members, convention-goers, and their guests will find a warm welcome at the 2016 AGO

National Convention in Houston, at the Hilton Americas-Houston, at all convention venues, and throughout our exciting city. This is a convention you won't want to miss!

Please begin by visiting our "Welcome to Houston" page.
(<http://ago-website.keystonereresources.modxcloud.com/blog/2015/10/14/welcome-to-ago-houston-2016/>)

Don't forget to sign up for the newsletter before you leave.
(<http://pinterest.us8.list-manage.com/subscribe?u=89e08c29509e8950d489be3db&id=6f8608e296>)

Registration is now open. We are excited to offer a variety of registration options for members. The sooner you register, the more you can save!
Super-Saver Registration October 15 - December 31, 2015
Early Registration from January 1 – March 14, 2016
Regular Registration from March 15 – May 14, 2016
Final Registration from May 15 through the convention

We'll keep you up-to-date on preparations for the convention. We look forward to seeing you in Houston next June.

american guild of organists
national convention
June 19 – 23, 2016
Houston, Texas


 A decorative graphic with the words "UPCOMING EVENTS" in a stylized, orange, outlined font. The text is enclosed in a white rounded rectangle with a black border, which is itself inside a larger, ornate orange and black frame with scrollwork and dotted patterns.

Roane State End of Semester Organ Solo Class on Thursday, April 28, at 6:00 p.m. The Roane State Community College organ students will play their end of semester Solo Class at Second Presbyterian Church, 2829 Kingston Pike. The event will be followed by a covered dish dinner in the church parlor. Guests are cordially invited to attend and to stay for dinner with the students. Please bring a covered dish if planning to stay for dinner at 7:00. Several of the student performers are our AGO members, and one is our BOEF Scholarship collegiate winner, Tamra Kincaid. Several advanced piano students are also on the program.

Gerald Scott	"Trumpet in Dialogue"	Clerambault
Tamra Kincaid	"Prelude in G Minor"	Bach
Lora Armfield	"Prelude in C Sharp Minor"	Rachmaninoff
Vance Fisher	"Imperial March No. 2"	Elgar
Amanda Pendley	"Ivan Sings"	Khachaturian
Don King	"Prelude, Fugue, Chaconne"	Buxtehude
Fred Pogue	"Litanies"	Alain
Hailey Whitaker	"March Slav"	Tchaikovsky (transcription)
Brett Howard	"An Important Event"	Schumann
Brent Djirikian	"Evening Prayer"	Humperdinck (transcription)
Brandon Hurley	"Sonata" Opus 28, Number 15	Movement II Beethoven

Saturday, May 14, 7:30 p.m. Church of the Ascension, Knoxville, TN will present Cathedra.



Established in 2010, Cathedra has already achieved high acclaim, not least for its "beautiful, blended sound" (*The Washington Post*).

Specializing in music of both the Renaissance and Baroque and a champion of the modern-day composer, Cathedra is a highly skilled ensemble of professional singers and instrumentalists, dedicated to bringing the highest form of musical expression to music from across the ages. Under the artistic leadership of Maestro Michael McCarthy, the ensemble is resident at Washington National Cathedral. Exploring

new boundaries of both repertoire and presentation, Cathedra tailors its programming in such a way as to offer authenticity and originality that is both unique and compelling. Tickets are \$25.

On Sunday, June 12 at 4:00 PM, organ student **Don King** will present a recital including works by Bach, Buxtehude, Marcello, Mendelssohn, and various other composers. The public is cordially invited to this event at Second Presbyterian Church, 2829 Kingston Pike, Knoxville, TN.



Christian Lane

Friday, May 6, 2016, 8:00 p.m.
Westminster Presbyterian Church
Knoxville, TN

Christian Lane, winner of the 2011 Canadian International Organ Competition, is one of America's most accomplished and versatile young organists. He has won first prize in four major American organ competitions. In 2004 he earned both second prize and the audience prize in the AGO National Young Artist Competition.

A 2004 graduate of the Eastman School of Music, where he studied organ with David Higgs, Christian Lane earned his Bachelor of Music in Organ Performance with highest distinction. He simultaneously completed the school's Diploma program in Sacred Music.

Subsequently, as a Robert Baker Scholar at the Yale Institute of Sacred Music and School of Music, Christian Lane earned a Master of Music in Organ Performance in 2008. His primary lessons were with Thomas Murray. At Yale he also regularly performed as accompanist and continuo player with the university's premier choral ensemble, the Yale *Schola Cantorum*.

As a soloist, Lane performs regularly throughout the United States and in Europe. He has also been a featured performer at national conventions of both the Royal Canadian College of Organists and the American Guild of Organists.

Christian Lane's first solo recording was released in 2012 to critical acclaim on the Canadian label ATMA Classique, and he has since recorded two discs featuring the newly installed Skinner and Fisk organs at Harvard University.

Lane has been privileged to serve within some of the country's most respected parish music programs, including the Episcopal Church of Saint Thomas in New York City, where he served for two years as assistant organist to John Scott at the Episcopal Church of Saint Thomas and worked with the parish's world-renowned choir of men and boys. Most recently he served as Associate University Organist and Choirmaster at Harvard University.

Christian Lane maintains a private studio of organ students, teaches regularly on summer programs, and has given master classes and workshops across the country and in the United Kingdom. Additionally, he serves the American Guild of Organists in nationally elected office as Vice President and Councillor for Competitions and New Music.

JOB OPENINGS

St. Paul UMC, Fountain City is seeking a part-time pianist/organist. Responsibilities include accompanying the Chancel Adult Choir, and being the primary instrumental musician during Sunday morning worship. Please send a cover letter and resume to: Jamie Rowe, SPR Chairperson and Rev. Sarah Varnell, pastor at **4014 Garden Drive Knoxville, TN 37918**. Or Email: stpaulinfo@bellsouth.net

Lincoln Park Baptist Church on Chickamauga Ave. in Fountain City, is looking for a pianist and a choir director. We are a small church but are looking to grow. We have used Carson Newman students in the past as our director and pianist but the current leaders will be graduating in May and going out of state to work on their Master's Degree. If you know of anyone that would be interested have them contact the church office ad 865-687-5454. The website is lincolnparkchurch.org.

First Baptist Church of Knoxville
CHURCH PIANIST

Play for 11:00 Sunday Services (hymns, some offertories, choral anthems), accompany 7pm Wednesday night sanctuary choir rehearsal, rehearse with and accompany vocalists and instrumentalists when requested, and accompany seasonal services and rehearsals. Must be comfortable with classical, traditional, and contemporary worship styles along with excellent sight-reading and improvisation skills. Open score reading and lead sheet reading is a plus. Two Sundays, two Wednesdays paid vacation. Submit Resumes to Richard Buerkle at RBuerkle@fbcknox.org or for more information call [865.246.4668](tel:865.246.4668)



Scholarships are still available for the Summer POE in beautiful Atlanta, Georgia. Parkey Organ Builders is offering scholarships to two POE participants who would like to explore the working parts of a

pipe organ in greater depth.

To apply for one of these scholarships, please email Fredrick Bahr at:

fwb@parkeyorgans.com with the subject "*Applying for Parkey Scholarship*".

Please include the following:

- 1) A letter or short essay describing your interest in organ building.
- 2) Why you should be awarded the scholarship.

Winners will be selected by Parkey Organ Builders and applicants will have their payment refunded when they are notified.

The scholarship covers the cost of registration and fees, but does not include transportation to and from Atlanta. The deadline to apply is May 1, 2016. See you this Summer!

Your friends,
AGO-Atlanta Chapter

The **Knoxville AGO Chapter Nominating Committee** consisting of Sandra Emond, Karen Ladd, and Terrye Danner is pleased to present the following list of nominees for elected offices for 2016-2017. The list has been reviewed and approved by the Executive Board of the Knoxville AGO.

Dean	Andrew Morehead
Sub Dean	Simon Hogg
Secretary	Sandi Henry
Treasurer	John Brock
Registrar	Jim Mason
Member at Large (2016-2019)	Gail Hafner
Auditor	Joy Fournier
Auditor	Eileen Rudd



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Need a Sub!! Here is a list of those available in our area.

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EMAIL tnewsom3@utk.edu TO BE ADDED TO THIS LIST.

******* Dinner Reservations *******

Please make your dinner reservations for

May 2, 2016
First Presbyterian Church
Morristown, TN

No later than
Thursday, April 28

Cost \$12.00

By contacting
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