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# **TCAGO Program Event of the Month**

Member Recital

## Friday, May 10 - 8:00 p.m.

Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church 12650 Johnny Cake Ridge Road, Apple Valley

http://www.sotv.org

See full article in the April issue of Pipenotes

## TCAGO 2013 Student **Competition Winners**

Mary Newton

Seven talented organists competed at the TCAGO annual student competition on Saturday, April 6 at Westwood Lutheran Church. This year the competition was in conjunction with the national competition and the first place winner will move forward and compete at the regional convention in June.

The first place winner was Jessica Park. Jessica is from Woodbury. She stud-

ied the piano with Dr. Paul Wirth and first began her organ studies at age 17 with Dr. Catherine Rodland. thanks to the generous Pipedreams Scholarship she received from the TCAGO chapter in 2008 and 2009. Jessica is currently in her

fourth year at the Oberlin Conservatory of Music, where she studies organ with James David Christie and harpsichord and continuo with Webb Wiggins.

She has also studied with Olivier Latry and Marie-Louise Langlais and performed in master classes for Philippe Lefebvre and Francesco Cera. Jessica is currently working toward finishing the combined Bachelor and Master's degree program in both organ and harpsichord at Oberlin. Additionally, she has studied the viola da gamba and baroque violin, and

> sings in the Oberlin Collegium Musicum. In the summer of 2011, Jessica attended the McGill Summer Organ Academy in Montreal, where she studied with John Grew and continuo with Hank Knox. She has served as the organist and choir

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Front row: Kris Langlois, David Lim, Jessica Park, Mrs. J.W. Park, Laura Edman, Mary Newton Back row: Chad Winterfeldt, J.W. Park, Gregory Peterson, Stephen Hamilton, Allan Mahnke

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Dean's Column Laura Edman
The student competition in April was a day-long event with seven competitors. Each individual was well-prepared, and it was an inspiring day listening to young organists play hymns and great literature with depth and



skill. Congratulations to the students and thank you to the judges and competition coordinator, Mary Newton for a successful competition for our chapter.

The Members Recital on Friday, May 10, will be another opportunity to hear many organists play a variety of music. This will be a showcase event for our chapter featuring our members performing on a new

instrument in the metro area. Check the website or April *Pipenotes* for details.

As we wind up the academic year and TCAGO programs for 2012-13, the Boat Cruise is a relaxing and fun way to socialize and plan summer get-togethers. It would be great to see you at both the Members Recital and Boat Cruise this spring. Make plans to carpool to these events or invite someone to join you.

Finally, we are reminded of our mortal nature each time we lose one of our colleagues. Stephen Gabrielsen left a wonderful legacy to the music world and the Twin Cities that will live on through his students, music, and colleagues. Many people are grateful their paths crossed with Gabe's, and they were fortunate to experience his zest for life, talent, and great sense of humor.

Peace and Light

## **New Registrar and Address for TCAGO**

Jane Nienaber has agreed to be TCAGO's new registrar since John Salveson signed off on April 15, 2013. Please note TCAGO has a new address. Any questions regarding membership issues may be addressed to Jane at tcagoregistrar@gmail.com. The mailing address is 7325 Girard Avenue N., Brooklyn Park, MN 55444-2627.

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director at St. Paul's United Church of Christ in Parma, Ohio, and was organist at First Presbyterian Church in Huron, Ohio. Jessica has a keen interest in historical performance, and enjoys playing continuo in chamber settings. In her spare time, she likes to knit, and play basketball and tennis.

The second place winner was Karl Robson. Karl is a graduate student at the Eastman School of Music, where he studies with David Higgs. He serves as the assistant organist at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Rochester, NY, playing its recently restored E.M. Skinner instrument (1927, IV/68). In 2012, he graduated magna cum laude with departmental distinction in Church Music and Organ Performance from St. Olaf College, where he was a student of Dr. Catherine Rodland. He previously served as staff organist at Cross View Lutheran Church in Edina. He began his organ career at age 11.

A three-time recipient of the organ studies scholarship awarded by the Southeast Minnesota Chapter of the American Guild of Organists, he studied previously with Lee Afdahl of First Presbyterian Church, Rochester and Dr. Dean Billmeyer of the University

of Minnesota. At St. Olaf, Karl served as a weekly organist for daily chapel services, worked as a music theory and aural skills teaching assistant, and sang in the St. Olaf Choir. He was honored to accompany the choir as organist on its 2011 domestic tour. At Eastman, he works as an aural skills teaching assistant. He plans to earn an MM in Organ Performance and Literature by Spring 2014.

Honorable mention was awarded to Aaron Hirsch. Aaron is currently completing work for his Bachelors in Organ Performance at the University of Minnesota's School of Music under Dr. Dean Billmeyer. Mr. Hirsch recently returned from the *Hochschule für Musik und darstellende Kunst* in Stuttgart, Germany, where he studied organ under Jürgen Essl and conducting under Richard Wien. Aaron hopes to pursue a Masters in orchestral conducting.

The first place prize of \$2,000 was provided by the Schubert Club of St. Paul and the second place prize of \$1,000 was provided by TCAGO member, Phil Asgian. Judges for the competition were Stephen Hamilton, Gregory Peterson and Allan Mahnke.



## **Some New Listings on the Organ List**

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Help is needed to complete many of the organ pages on our Organ List. Please check the organs you know and send me additions. I'd be very happy to hear from you. The organs are listed by state (MN first), city, and location. Go directly to the Organ List from the TCAGO Homepage http://www.tcago.org. Recent additions are listed below.

Albert Lea, United Methodist Church, Unknown Albert Lea, Zion Lutheran Church, Unknown Alexandria, First Lutheran, Holtkamp Anoka, First Baptist, Estey

Apple Valley, Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran, Aeolian-Skinner/Holtkamp, sp

Austin, First UMC, van Daalen

Austin, St Olaf Lutheran, Casavant

Bemidji, Trinity Lutheran, Unknown

Benson, Our Redeemer Lutheran, Holtkamp

Benson, St Francis Catholic, Hendrickson

Bernadotte, Bernadotte Lutheran, Vogelpohl

Bloomington, Transfiguration Lutheran, Holtkamp,

Brainerd, Bethlehem Lutheran, Holtkamp Brandon, West Moe Lutheran, Hinners

Cold Springs, St Boniface Catholic, Marron, sp

Luxemburg, St Wendelin Catholic Church, Unknown builder

Winona, Basilica of St Stanislaus Kostka (Catholic), Skinner, sp

Winona, Central Methodist, Hook & Hastings (Opus 1722, 1896)

Winona, Central Methodist, Hook & Hastings (Opus 2410, 1918)

Winona, Central UMC, M.P. Möller (Opus 9721, 1963)

Winona, Central UMC, M.P. Möller (Opus A-9721, 1976)

Winona, College of St Teresa, Hall Organ Co.

Winona, College of St Teresa, Geo. Kilgen & Sons (1927)

Winona, First Baptist Church, Moline Organ Co (1889)

Winona, First Congregational Church, Casavant Frères Ltée, (2013)

Winona, Watkins Residence, Aeolian Organ Co (Opus 1551, 1924)

Winona, St Martin Ev. Lutheran Church, Austin Organ Co (Opus 626-R. 2009)

Winona, St Paul Episcopal Church, Austin Organ Co (Opus 213-R, 1957)

Winona, Winona State University, Somsen Auditorium, Aeolian Organ Co (Opus 1544, 1924)



# Evensong at St. John the Evangelist – May 5, 4:00 p.m.

James Frazier

On Sunday, May 5, at 4:00 p.m., the semi-professional choir of St. John the Evangelist Episcopal Church will sing Evensong for Eastertide. The service will include the beloved canticles composed by Herbert Howells for King's College, Cambridge, and the classic Anglican anthem *Welcome Sweet and Sacred Feast*, by Gerald Finzi. Following the service the choir will sing the Chandos anthem *O Praise the Lord With One Consent*, by G.F. Handel, with orchestra. The four arias will be sung by the section leaders of the choir. Helen Jensen will be the guest organist and Jim Frazier will conduct.

This will be the final evensong conducted at St. John's by Mr. Frazier as he has announced his retire-

ment effective at the end of May, having completed a nine-year tenure.

St. John's is located at 60 Kent St. in St. Paul, one block north of Summit Ave. and one block east of Dale St. Off-street parking is available at Summit and Kent. The church is handicap accessible from Kent St. A free-will offering will be received to benefit the Winifred Bean Evensong Fund established by Howard Don Small during his tenure as organist at St. John's. Bean was an Episcopalian philanthropist and lover of church music. A festive reception will follow the service, to which all are invited. For further information, please contact Jim Frazier at 651 228-1172 x38; james.frazier@stjohnsstpaul.org.

http://stjohnsstpaul.org/



## An Organist's Evensong: Music for Ascension — May 11, 4:00 p.m.

Andrew Birling

Andrew Birling, Director of Music Ministries at St. Luke's Episcopal Church, and a Master's of Sacred Music student at Luther Seminary, invites you to attend his worship project. The service will take place at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 1917 Logan Avenue South (corner of Logan and West Franklin Avenue), on Saturday, May 11, at 4:00 p.m.

http://www.stpaulsmpls.org

The service will feature works for solo organ and choir on the II/45 Dobson organ from 1998. A reception will follow the service in the church's Kellogg Hall.



# Hunter/Crossley Two-Piano Concert – May 12, 4:00 p.m

On Sunday, May 12 at 4:00 p.m., the Augustana Lutheran Church Concert Series will present pianist Thelma Hunter and organist-pianist Dee Ann Crossley in a concert of music for two pianos and piano/ organ. The varied program includes arrangements and original works by Mozart, Barber, Lecuona, Bolcom and Khachaturian, among others, as well as the "Duet suite" for organ and piano by the contemporary Canadian composer Denis Bedard.

The public is cordially invited. There is no admission charge (free will offering received) and a nursery is provided. Augustana Lutheran Church is located at 1400 South Robert Street in West St Paul.

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## Magnificat - May 31, 7:00 p.m.

Craig Carnahan

The American Composers Forum sponsored a "Magnificat Project" commission competition a couple of years ago. Since then, the composer has been chosen and the premiere of his piece is set for the end of May.

Please join us as Saint Paul's choir, and friends, premier a vivacious new setting of the *Magnificat* by Zachary Wadsworth, in a festive Eucharist celebrating the Feast of the Visitation.

The date is Friday, May 31, at 7:00 p.m. The location is the Parish Church of Saint Paul Episcopal, 1917 Logan Avenue South, Minneapolis.

Reception will follow, and childcare will be available. http://www.stpaulsmpls.org

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## **Calendar of Upcoming Events**

## May

Sat. May 4, U of M Recital, 4:00 p.m. Eric Bigalke, organist

Room 213, Ferguson Hall

2106 Fourth Street S, Minneapolis

Sun. May 5, Evensong for Eastertide, 4:00 p.m.

St. John the Evangelist Episcopal Church 60 Kent Street, St. Paul

Thurs. May 9, Lunch-time Organ Series, 12:30 p.m. Joshua Lindgren & Zach Busch, organ duets

St. Barnabas Lutheran Church

15600 Old Rockford Rd, Plymouth

Thurs. May 9, Dynamic Keyboard Duo, 7:00 p.m.

Andrew Staupe, pianist; Lynn Trapp, organist

St. John the Evangelist Church

11 Fourth Avenue, Rochester

Fri. May 10, TCAGO Program Event Member Recital, 8:00 p.m. Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church 12650 Johnny Cake Ridge Rd, Apple Valley

Sat. May 11, Organist's Evensong, 4:00 p.m.

Andrew Birling, organist

St. Paul's Episcopal Church

1917 Logan Avenue S, Minneapolis

Sat. May 11, Dynamic Keyboard Duo, 7:30 p.m. Andrew Staupe, pianist; Lynn Trapp, organist The Phipps Center for the Arts

109 Locust Street, Hudson WI

Sun. May 12, Two-Piano Concert, 4:00 p.m.

Thelma Hunter; Dee Ann Crossley Augustana Lutheran Church

1400 South Robert Street, West St. Paul

Sun. May 19, The Steele Family Singers, 7:00 p.m.

Cathedral of Saint Paul

239 Selby Avenue, St Paul

Fri. May 31, Magnificat, 7:00 p.m.

St. Paul's Episcopal Church

1917 Logan Avenue S, Minneapolis



#### June

Mon. June 10, TCAGO Program Event Boat Cruise

June 23 to July 21, Lutheran Summer Music Academy & Festival Luther College Decorah, Iowa

#### October

Thurs., Oct. 17, Inaugural Recital, 7:30 p.m. Jean-Baptiste Robin, organist Cathedral of St. Paul 239 Selby Avenue, St Paul



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