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

Following Gerre Hancock's Workshop on Improvisation at Peachtree Christian Church (see details/page 4)

ATLANTA CHAPTER AGO
PRESENTS

Justin Maxey organist

Atlanta Chapter RYCO Winner

at

NORTHSIDE DRIVE BAPTIST CHURCH 3100 Northside Drive NW Atlanta, Georgia 30305 404.237.8621

Hosts: Jeff Harbin, Sheila Nicol and Carolyn Scott

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2009

Lunch: 12:30 p.m. Recital: 2 o'clock

Cost for this season's meal is \$13 (check) \$15 (cash)
DEADLINE FOR RESERVATIONS WILL BE TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2009



Justin Maxey is a native of Winder, Georgia and is currently pursuing a Bachelor of Music in Organ Performance at Shorter College. He has studied piano with Sue Williams, Dr. David Oliver, Mary-Ann Knight, and Dr. Jerico Vasquez. His organ studies have been instructed by Amelia Cotten, Dr. Jolene Davis, and Dr. Peter DeWitt.

Justin is the accompanist for the world renowned Shorter College Chorale under the direction of Dr. Martha Shaw. He recently joined the Chorale on a tour of Italy allowing him the opportunity to accompany the choir on

the Grand Organ of St. Peter's Basilica at the Vatican. He is the featured accompanist on the Shorter Chorale's nationally released CD, *Hymns and Anthems of the Church*, recorded at Spivey Hall, May 2009. This CD will be available for purchase in the fall of 2010.

Justin was selected as the featured young musician to represent the state of Georgia at the Baptist Church Music Conference in Winter Park, Florida the summer of 2007. In March of 2009, Justin was awarded first place at the Regional Competition for Young Organists hosted by the Atlanta Chapter of the American Guild of Organists. In October of 2009, he received highest honors in the Mu Phi Epsilon (Atlanta Chapter) scholarship competition.

He has held organist positions at the First Christian Church of Winder, Georgia, Heritage Baptist Church of Cartersville, Georgia, and currently serves as organist for the First Presbyterian Church of Dalton, Georgia.

Welcome New Members

Please note these in your 2009-2010 Yearbook

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A MESSAGE FROM THE DEAN ~

"Over the Moon"

Our October program at All Saints Episcopal was yet another fine recital for our chapter. This time we were fortunate to have Stephen Buzard performing on his "father's" instrument at All Saints Episcopal Church. As always, Elizabeth and Ray Chenault, Pamela Ingram and Linda Baker were consummate hosts.

Stephen included two compositions on his program which had some type of association with the moon. One of these, the Buxtehude "Passacaglia in D Minor," is comprised of four sections, each of those being 28 measures in length which parallels the lunar cycle. The second composition, "Icarus" (from *Visions Cosmiques*) by Jean Guillou, was dedicated to the Apollo 8 astronauts and is typical of the incomparable French composer. All in all, it was a stunning performance.

In November, we will be changing our planned program at Northside Drive Baptist Church a bit in order to take advantage of a special possibility. At 10:00 am, we will visit Peachtree Christian Church for a workshop on improvisation by the incomparable Gerre Hancock. At noon, folks will drive "up the street" to Northside Drive Baptist Church for lunch. Following lunch and a short business meeting, we will present Justin Maxey, our local AGO/Quimby competition winner, in recital. Thanks to Herb Buffington at Peachtree Christian and to Sub Dean Jeff Harbin at Northside Baptist for putting this great day of events together.

Remember to think of musicians you know who should be a part of the Atlanta Chapter and invite them to join you for the November meeting. If everyone could recruit one new member, just think of the effect that would have on our ranks!

I will miss seeing you all at the meeting next month but am excited to be going to the far side of the earth for a "mini sabbatical." I'll still be in touch by email if you need me. In the meantime, enjoy this lovely fall weather!

James Mellichamp

A Note on Certification

Jeffrev McIntvre is the Chapter coordinator for the AGO/NPM certification examinations. If you are interested in the Service Playing, Colleague, Choir Master or Associate level examinations, please contact him at 404-521-1866 ext. 110. Jeffrey has all of the music for these exams available for your review, and can explain the process of preparing for them.



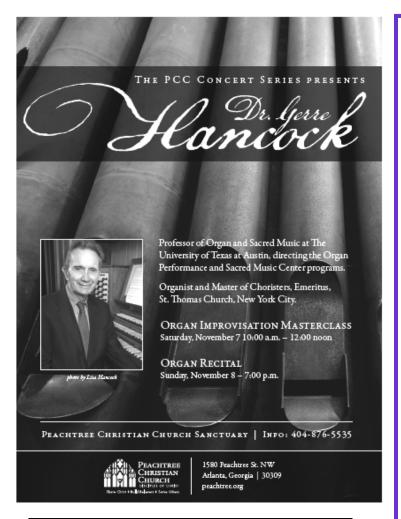
PROGRAM

Justin Maxey, organ
Saturday Afternoon ~ November 7th at 2 o'clock
Northside Drive Baptist Church

Directions to Northside Drive Baptist Church from Peachtree Christian Church.

(The churches are less than 4 miles apart.)

- 1) Start out going North on Peachtree Street for 0.7 miles
 - 2) Turn left onto Collier Road and drive for 0.9 miles
- 3) Turn right onto Northside Drive and drive for 2 miles
- 4) Arrive at Northside Drive Baptist Church, 3100 Northside Drive, located at the intersection of Northside Drive and Northside Parkway. There are entrances with signs on both roads.







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Sunday Organ Recitals are at 3:15 pm Preceding Evensong at 4 pm Other events as noted.

SUNDAY, 1 NOVEMBER

GAIL ARCHER, organ

(Barnard College, Columbia University, New York, NY) music by Mendelssohn, Brahms and Reger

Requiem for the Eve of All Souls' Day CATHEDRAL SCHOLA featuring Gabriel Fauré's Requiem

SUNDAY, 8 NOVEMBER

DAVID LAMB, organ

(First United Methodist Church, Columbus, Indiana)

Nigel Ogden: New Era

John Stanley: Toccata for the Flutes

Alfred Hollins: A Trumpet Minuet

Camille Saint-Saëns: Fantasie in E-Flat Major

Karl Jenkins: Benedictus

(from The Armed Man: A Mass for Peace)

Denis Bedard: Sonata for Organ and Saxophone, No. 1

EVENSONG / CATHEDRAL SCHOLA
William Byrd: Preces & Responses
Thomas Weelkes: Sixth Service & O Lord Arise
William Byrd: Sing Joyfully

SUNDAY, 15 NOVEMBER

JOHN RICHARDSON, organ
(St. Mark United Methodist Church, Atlanta)
Charles-Marie Widor: Intermezzo
(from Symphonie No. 6 in G Minor)
Max Reger: Introduction and Passacaglia in D Minor
J.S. Bach: Prelude and Fugue in A Minor

EVENSONG / CATHEDRAL SCHOLA
Craig Phillips: Preces & Responses
(for St David's, Roswell)
David Hogan: Mt. St. Alban Service
Percy Whitlock: Be Still, My Soul
John Joubert: O Lord, the Maker of Al Thing

SUNDAY, 22 NOVEMBER

4:00 PM EVENSONG: BUCKHEAD COMMUNITY
THANKSGIVING SERVICE

Cathedral Choir & Visiting Choirs

Peter Crisafulli: Phos hilaron Herbert Murrill: Service in E

David Hurd: It Is a Good Thing to Give Thanks Herbert Howells: Jubilate (from *Collegium Regale Service*)

SUNDAY, 29 NOVEMBER

4:00 P.M. ADVENT PROCESSION / CATHEDRAL CHOIR

Music by Palestrina, Ord, Byrd, Howells,

Beaudrot, Adelmann, Shelat, Poston

November 2009 Calendar of Events

Weekday	Date	Time	Event	Location	\$
Sunday	11/1	3:00 pm	Timeless Exposures in Music: Harpsichordist Emily Collette playing Handel. Böhm, Howells, Farnaby & The Beatles.	Oglethorpe University Museum of Art	
	11/1	3:15 pm	Gail Archer, organ (Barnard College & Columbia Univ. NYC).	Cathedral of St. Philip	
	11/1	4:00 pm	Choral Evensong sung by The Cathedral Schola featuring Gabriel Faure's <i>Requiem</i> .	Cathedral of St. Philip	
	11/1	4:30 pm	William Krape, organ.	Peachtree Road Methodist Church	
	11/1	5:00 pm	Choral Evensong sung by the PRUMC Chancel Choir. Music of Stanford, Hancock & Tavener.	Peachtree Road Methodist Church	
	11/1	5:00 pm	Choral Evensong with Howells: <i>Collegium Regale</i> Service; Bainton: <i>And I saw a new heaven</i> ; Noble: The Souls of the Righteous. Organ recital with Tom Granum follows Evensong.	Emmanuel Episcopal Church Athens, GA	
	11/1	5:00 pm	Choral Evensong for All Saints'	St. Paul's Episcopal - Newnan, GA	
	11/1	6:00 pm	Choral Evensong sung by the 50-voice Epiphany Choir. Music of Bainton, Faure & Moore.	Episcopal Church of the Epiphany	
	11/1	7:00 pm	All Saints' Candlelight Vigil. James Kohler, <i>organ</i> & Kelly Wilks, <i>cello</i>	Rehoboth Presbyterian Church Decatur, GA	
Saturday	11/7	10:00 am	Improvisation class with Gerre Hancock	Peachtree Christian Church	
	11/7	12:30 pm	Atlanta AGO Chapter Lunch/Meeting	Northside Drive Baptist Church	
	11/7	2:00 pm	Justin Maxey, organ	Northside Drive Baptist Church	
Sunday	11/8	11:00 am	Centennial Celebration Concert: Kristopher Schwinn, <i>organ & oboe</i> (Fulbright recipient to the Netherlands)	Stewart Avenue Methodist Church	
	11/8	3:15 pm	David Lamb, $organ$ (First United Methodist Church, Columbus, IN).	Cathedral of St. Philip	
	11/8	4:00 pm	Choral Evensong sung by The Cathedral Schola.	Cathedral of St. Philip	
	11/8	7:00 pm	Gerre Hancock, organ	Peachtree Christian Church	
Tuesday	11/10	10:30 am	Lecture/Recital "Spanish & Mallorcan Baroque Organs" by Madonna Brownlee	First Church of Christ, Scientist	
Saturday	11/14	8:00 pm	Collegium Vocale Community Chorus sings Mozart, Handel, M. Haydn, Nystedt, Berger and Folk Songs from Korean, Quebec, Latvia, Sweden & Appalachia. www.cvchorus.org	Glenn Memorial Auditorium Emory University	\$
Sunday	11/15	11:00 am	Scottish Heritage/Kirking of Tartan Celebration. Charlotte Clark, <i>bagpiper</i>	Rehoboth Presbyterian Church Decatur, GA	
	11/15	2:15 pm	Redeemer Piano Ensemble	Lutheran Church of the Redeemer	
	11/15	3:15 pm	John Richardson, organ (St. Mark United Methodist, Atlanta).	Cathedral of St. Philip	
	11/15	4:00 pm	Choral Evensong sung by The Cathedral Schola.	Cathedral of St. Philip	
	11/15	5:00 pm	Clair Maxwell, <i>organ</i> . Music of Bach, Haydn, Mozart, Vierne & Locklair.	St. Luke's Presbyterian Church	
Tuesday	11/17	7:30 pm	"Hymns of the Universe" presented by the Georgia Tech Choirs.	All Saints' Episcopal Church	\$

November 2009 Calendar of Events cont.

Weekday	Date	Time	Event	Location	\$
Wednesday	11/18	8:00 pm	Chamber Music & Piano Duets Concert	Agnes Scott College	
Thursday	11/19	8:00 pm	Chamber Strings Concert	Agnes Scott College	
Sunday	11/22		Harvest Sunday with PRUMC Combined Choirs & The Atlanta Brassworks. Works by Gilbert Martin.	Peachtree Road United Methodist	
Sunday	11/22	3:00 pm	ASC Community Orchestra Concert	Agnes Scott College Gaines Chapel	
Sunday	11/22	4:00 pm	Dr. Timothy Stewart, organ	College Park Presbyterian Church	
Sunday	11/22	4:00 pm	Evensong: Buckhead Community Thanksgiving Service with The Cathedral Choir and visiting choirs. Music of Crisafulli, Murrill, Hurd & Howells.	Cathedral of St. Philip	
Sunday	11/22	7:00 pm	Harvest Home Concert	Lutheran Church of the Redeemer	
Sunday	11/29	11:00 am	Hanging of the Greens Festival Service	Rehoboth Presbyterian Church	
Sunday	11/29	4:00 pm	Advent Procession sung by The Cathedral Choir.	Cathedral of St. Philip	
Friday	12/4	7:00 pm	Organ master class with Joyce Jones.	Spivey Hall	
Saturday	12/5	3:00 pm	Joyce Jones, organ. For tickets call 678-466-4200.	Spivey Hall	\$

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Sarah Hawbecker, Regional Councillor



Please see DINNER NOTES on page 7

for revised reservation and meal costs.

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Executive Board Meeting for December 5, 2009 at Northside Drive Baptist Church

Dinner Notes

Dinner Reservations David Barber, *Chair*

by email: d_barber@bellsouth.net

Karen Bunn, Chair

by phone: (h) 770.446.2084

(cell) 404.502.6292

The cost for dinners this season will be \$13 when you pay by check, \$15 with cash (exact change only, please). Reservations for monthly meeting dinners/luncheons are a MUST and should be made no later than the Thursday before the next weeks meeting. CHECKS are to be made payable to AGO Atlanta at the meeting check-in desk. If you make a reservation and are unable to keep it, you are responsible for canceling the reservation in advance on the Thursday prior to the dinner or luncheon date - OR - you will be expected to pay for it regardless of your attendance. (Please see page 16 of the Yearbook.) Thank you in advance for honoring these requests.

For security reasons and when at all possible, we prefer that you <u>always</u> pay your reservations with

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