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ATLANTA CHAPTER AGO PRESENTS

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ST. MARK UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 781 Peachtree Street at Fifth NE Atlanta, Georgia 30308 404.873.2636

Host: John Richardson

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2011

Punchbowl: 6:00 pm Dinner & Meeting: 6:30 pm Recital: 8:00 pm

The cost for dinners & lunches for this season will be \$14

DEADLINE FOR RESERVATIONS WILL BE THURSDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2010

AGOAtlanta reservations@charter.net.

Come enjoy a fabulous fall feast and then take the opportunity to learn from some of our chapter's experts in their field. You'll have the chance to choose between two of the three half hour sessions:

Guild Certification - Take an up close look at the various levels of guild certification. One of the founding basis for the AGO, certification provides another level of measurable and marketable skills.. Having an AGO certification level on your resume in this economy is important. Lead by Jeffrey McIntire, Chapter Certification Coordinator.

Improvisation - Hear about what it takes to make it to the top levels of the national improvisation competition. Learn techniques to help you explore the art of improvisation in your own musical setting. See hands on demonstrations from our leaders and class participants. Lead by Herb Buffington and Albert Ahlstrom.

The Life and Times of Dudley Buck - Having just written and had published a book on this interesting organist, our presenter will discuss the life of one of the earliest American opera composers but better known in his lifetime as an organist and church composer. Lead by Lee Orr.

WILMA JENSEN in Concert

The Atlanta Chapter began its 2010-11 season September 14, 2010 with a stunning and exciting organ concert by Wilma Jensen at The Cathedral of St. Philip. This petite woman was in complete control of the beautiful 4-manual Aeolian-Skinner organ. Her programming was innovative and refreshing, using all 20th and 21st century music. She began with "Méditation VI" from Messiaen's *Méditations sur le mystère de la Sainte Trinité*, a bold opening statement played with great aplomb. The program continued with interesting musical contrasts from France, England and the United States of America.

Ms Jensen's excellent technique was evident throughout the evening. Her playing was very skillful and at the same time quite musical. The hours Dr. Jensen spends on piano technique are quite evident in her organ skills. Her registrations displayed the colors of the organ beautifully and allowed all the voices of the music to be heard. Her arrangement of "Gabriel's Oboe" from the movie *The Mission* was a lovely encore concluding a most enjoyable recital.



ATLANTA CHAPTER - AMERICAN GUILD OF ORGANISTS 2010-2011 PROGRAMS

Unless listed otherwise, programs are at 8:00 PM, preceded by 6:00 punchbowl & 6:30 dinner.

Tuesday, October 12, 2010

Workshops - Improvisation, AGO Certification and
The Life and Works of Dudley Buck
Clinicians: Albert Ahlstrom, Herbert Buffington,
Jeffrey McIntyre and Lee Orr
Saint Mark United Methodist Church
781 Peachtree Street, NE - Atlanta, GA 30308
Host: John Richardson

Tuesday, November 9, 2010

Organ Recital - Cherry Rhodes Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church 2855 Briarcliff Road, NE - Atlanta, GA 30329 Hosts: Jeff Bush and the A. E. Schlueter Pipe Organ Company

Tuesday, December 28, 2010

Christmas Party
7:00 PM - 10:00 PM
Whitney Residence
3463 Valley Road - Atlanta, GA 30305
Hosts: Mr. and Mrs. John Whitney

Tuesday, January 11, 2011

Organ Recital - Douglas Cleveland Peachtree Road United Methodist Church 3180 Peachtree Road, NW - Atlanta, GA 30305 Hosts: Scott Atchison and Nicole Marane

Saturday, February 12, 2011

Annual Student Organ Recital
Recital - 11:00 am followed by lunch
Lutheran Church of the Redeemer
731 Peachtree Road, NE - Atlanta, GA 30308
Host: Sarah Hawbecker

ruesday, March 8, 2011

Handbell Program
Central Presbyterian Church
201 Washington Street, SW - Atlanta, GA 30303
Hosts: David VanderMeer and Michael Morgan

April 2011

No program - Lent/Easter

<u>Sunday, May 15, 2011</u>

Annual Guild Service
Punchbowl: 6pm - Dinner: 6:30pm - Service: 7:30pm
St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church
1790 LaVista Road, NE - Atlanta, GA, 30329
Host: Brad Hughley

A MESSAGE FROM THE DEAN ~

Thank you to Dale Adelmann, David Fishburn and Timothy Gunter for hosting our opening concert by Wilma Jensen at the Cathedral of St. Philip on Tuesday, September 14. Ms. Jensen presented a delightful program of short, colorful pieces from the French, English and American traditions. Her playing was impeccable, as always. I especially enjoyed hearing several compositions that were unfamiliar to me. Many commented that her program was a perfect start to our 2010-2011 season! I would also like to express my appreciation to Gwyn Bacon, Joyce Parks and Carolyn Thorsen for their donations that made the camera, screen and projector possible. It was wonderful to be able to watch Dr. Jensen at the console. The dinner beforehand was superb. Thank you to Pamela Ingram and the three Keiths - Huffstetter, Nash and Vansant for providing the wine. Sub Dean Tim Young did an outstanding job coordinating this event.

It was great to see our Atlanta AGO Banner in use once again! Detective Bobby Mays came across it in the Acolytes' Robing Room at St. Luke's Episcopal Church. Apparently a well-meaning sexton deposited it there after one of our recitals several years back. Ironically, the recitalist that evening was none other than Wilma Jensen. What an unusual coincidence!

Our October meeting will be held at Saint Mark United Methodist Church on Peachtree Street. Thanks in advance to John Richardson for hosting this event.

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PICK UP YOUR
2010-2011

ATLANTA CHAPTER

YEARBOOK

AT OUR

NEXY MEETING,

TUESDAY,

OCTOBER 12TH

THOSE WHO REQUESTED
THE YEARBOOK TO BE
MAILED WILL RECEIVE
THEM SHORTLY.

Our next meeting is just around the corner. Next week I will begin sending the necessary reminders to rally the troops for a great evening of learning as we seek to refine our craft. This cursory memo has one intended purpose: hassle free dinner reservations!

Please note the following:

1. The correct email address for making your dinner reservation is

AGOAtlanta reservations@charter.net

- 2. You MUST receive a **confirmation** of your email reservation. It's not 100% foolproof, but if you have not heard back from me within 24 hours, you will want to follow up with another email. My procedure is to send the confirmation as I am actually typing in your name on "the list."
- 3. The reservations made by **telephone** are emailed to me late Thursday evening. Please be sure to make phone reservations early. No confirmation is sent for these, of course, but that part of the process is pretty reliable!

THANKS!! David Barber, Chair

- ▼ Free parking is available on Tuesdays 6–10 pm, in the lot at the corner of Peachtree and 6th Streets, parking on the Juniper end of the lot as the Peachtree side is ALWAYS reserved for the lot owner's use. The lot at the corner of Juniper and 5th Streets is also available.
- ◆ The lot next to the red brick house located at 768 Juniper Street is also available. Enter this lot from Juniper Street and use the pedestrian gate to get to the church.
- ◆ The lot **immediately behind the church** on **5th Street** should be reserved for our senior chapter members and those with handicap parking stickers. **Street parking** along Peachtree and 5th Streets is not available during the week. Some sections of Juniper allow street parking at certain times of the day follow the instructions on the street signs.
- ◆ For dinner, please enter one of the doors on the back side of the building, located off the back parking lot, or at the top of the side ramp. Signs will be posted for AGO. The front red doors to the sanctuary will also be opened.

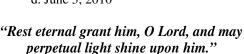
Menu for the October meeting-

Stuffed Pork Loin
with Blue Cheese and Sun Dried Tomatoes w/Red Wine
Rosemary Glaze
Roasted Red Bliss Potatoes
Honey Pecan Glazed Acorn Squash
Salad with Roasted Tomato Vinaigrette Dressing
Apple Crumble



Robert C. Whittle

b. September 24, 1945d. June 3, 2010



Young Organist Competition 2011

In order to offer an incentive for middle and high school students to continue the study of organ, the Greater Columbia Chapter of AGO has established the Young Organist Competition 2011 which will be held on Saturday, March 5, 2011. Students in Grades 8-12 will submit a CD of their playing of required repertoire for a panel of judges who will select semifinalists. The winners of the semifinal round will come to Columbia to perform for a panel of outstanding judges. The first-place winner will receive \$1000 and an opportunity to return to Columbia at a later date to perform on an organ recital. For rules of the competition and an application form go to www.columbiaago.org and click on Young Organist Competition.

It is exciting that there is a younger generation of organists. They need challenges to bring their playing to the highest possible level through opportunities to perform. Your help in making this dream come true will be greatly appreciated.

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sponsored by the Greater Columbia Chapter AGO

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As musicians, we need to continually refine our skills and acquire new ones. I would like to highly encourage you to take part in our October offerings. Three workshops will be presented - you will be able to attend two of the three events. Each session will last for forty five minutes with a ten minute break in the middle. The workshops will begin at 7:45 pm (fifteen minutes earlier than usual) so that each presenter will have adequate time to cover his material.

Here in Atlanta, we are blessed with a wealth of talent. Four of our outstanding chapter members will lead the workshop sessions - Albert Ahlstrom, Herbert Buffington, Jeffrey McIntyre and Lee Orr.

Albert and Herb were two of five finalists selected to compete in the National Competition in Organ Improvisation held during the National Convention in Washington, D. C. in July. We were so pleased to learn that Herb was awarded second prize - congratulations Herb! These two talented gentlemen will share their insights on this topic with us. I can speak from experience that improvisation is an extremely useful tool for a church musician. You don't have to be a concert artist to benefit from this session. Even if you only play for your own enjoyment, I think you would gain something from attending this event. The workshop will be held in the church's beautiful historic sanctuary which houses a three manual Aeolian-Skinner pipe organ.

For many years, Jeffrey McIntyre has headed up our chapter's Certification Program. Guild certification is beneficial for all of our members working in the fields of organ and choral music. For those who may not have music degrees it is a practical way to receive professional training in the field of church music. For those of us who already possess degrees, it's an excellent way to keep our skills sharp and learn a few new tricks. And it's not just for organists - there's also an excellent track for choral conductors. The certification session will be held in the chapel which houses a lovely two manual instrument of fifteen ranks built by our own Phil Parkey and his staff in 2004. - continued on pg 7

THE CATHEDRAL OF ST. PHILIP

2744 Peachtree Rd. NW † Atlanta, GA 30305-2920

Call 404.365.1050 for more information.

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

Sunday, October 3 / St. Francis Day

John Richardson, organ (St. Mark United Methodist Church, Atlanta) Evensong / Cathedral Schola

Saturday, October 9

Diocesan Adult Choir & Handbell Day

9:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Dale Adelmann, conductor
Dave Vandermeer, handbells
David Fishburn, organ
3:00 p.m. Evensong / Sung by participants in the day

Sunday, October 10 Feast of St. Philip, Deacon and Evangelist

Brink Bush, organ (Cathedral of St. John, Providence, RI) Rite I Choral Eucharist Cathedral Schola

Sunday, October 17

Diana Norton-Jackson, *organ*Evensong (in celebration of the 200th birthday of Samuel Sebastian Wesley) / Cathedral Schola

Sunday, October 24

Stacy Arnold (Corsicana, TX) guitar Evensong / Cathedral Schola

Sunday, October 13 Pentecost 23, Proper 26C (non- + lessons)

Jeff Johnson, organ (Messiah Lutheran Church, Panama City, FL) Choral Requiem Eucharist for All Hallow's Eve / Cathedral Choir with orchestra Maurice Duruflé, Requiem



OCTOBER 2010 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Weekday Friday	<u>Date</u> 10/1	<u>Time</u> 7:30 PM	Event Harpsichord Music from the French Baroque with Emily Collette & Roxanne Rea.	Location Oglethorpe University Museum of Art	<u>\$</u> \$
Saturday Sunday	10/2 10/3	8:00 PM 2:00 PM	Teresa Hopkin, soprano Sharing the Journey: Musical & Narrative Fundraiser	Schwartz Center, Emory Univ Canon Chapel,	\$
Sunday	10/3	2.00 T W	supporting Breast Cancer Awareness with Tamara, Timothy & Esther Albrecht.	Emory University	Ψ
		3:15 PM	John Richardson, organ (St. Mark UMC)	Cathedral of St. Philip	
		4:00 PM	Evensong/Cathedral Schola	Cathedral of St. Philip	
	10/3	4:00 PM	Duruflé: <i>Requiem</i> , PRUMC Chancel Choir http://reinhardt.tix.com	Reinhardt College (Waleska, GA)	\$
Saturday	10/9	9 AM - 4 PM	Episcopal Diocese of Atlanta Adult Choir and Handbell Festival. Dale Adelmann and Dave VanderMeer, directors.	Cathedral of St. Philip	\$
	10/9	3:00 PM	Jane Parker-Smith, organ Pre-concert talk, 2 PM	Spivey Hall	\$
		8:00 PM	Atlanta Sacred Chorale: Awake the Dawn	Schwartz Center, Emory	\$
Sunday	10/10	3:15 PM	Brink Bush, organ (Cathedral of St. John, Providence, RI)	Cathedral of St. Philip	
		4:00 PM	Choral Eucharist on the Eve of St. Philip	Cathedral of St. Philip	
		5:00 PM	Rising Stars Recital: Clarke Harris, countertenor	Peachtree Road UMC, Moore Chpl	
Saturday	10/16	9:00 AM	LPM Session 2	TBA	
		8:00 PM	The Emory University Symphony Orchestra Shostakovich's "Festive Overture" and Borodin's "Symphony No. 2".	Schwartz Center, Emory University	
Sunday	10/17	3:00 PM	John Richardson, organ	Sandy Springs UMC	
·		3:15 PM	Recital: Diana Norton-Jackson, organ	Cathedral of St. Philip	
		4:00 PM	Evensong in celebration of the 200th birthday of Samuel Sebastian Wesley	Cathedral of St. Philip	
		5:00 PM	Evensong with choirs, trumpet, violin, harp. Music by Vaughan Williams, Mathias, Sumsion, Franck, Chipp, & Sunnarborg	St. Luke Episcopal Church	
Tuesday	10/19	7:30 PM	Robert Delcamp, Univ of South	All Saints Episcopal	\$
		8:00 PM	Kessler Reformation Concert: Emory University Concert Choir, Eric Nelson director. Bach's Reformation cantata God Is a Light and a Shield, Distler's Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, & Manz's Ee'n so Lord Jesus, quickly come. Sarah Hawbecker, organ.	Schwartz Center, Emory University	
Saturday	10/23	6:30 PM	Westminster Organ Concert, organist Samuel Metzgar,	Midway Presbyterian Church, Powder Springs	
Sunday	10/24	2:00 PM	Trey Clegg, organ	St. Paul Episcopal Church	
		3:15 PM	Recital / Stacy Arnold (Corsicana, TX), guitar	Cathedral of St. Philip	
		4:00 PM	Evensong / Cathedral Schola	Cathedral of St. Philip	
Saturday	10/30	8:00 PM	Scary Ride! Timothy Albrecht. Halloween organ music	Schwartz Hall, Emory University	
Sunday	10/31	3:15 PM	Recital / Jeff Johnson, <i>organ</i> (Messiah Lutheran Church, Panama City, FL)	Cathedral of St. Philip	
		4:00 PM	Requiem Eucharist for All Hallow's Eve: Cathedral Choir with orchestra, Maurice Duruflé <i>Requiem</i>	Cathedral of St. Philip	

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Last, but certainly not least, will be an informative session led by Dr. Lee Orr of Georgia State University on the life and music of Dudley Buck. In 2008, the University of Illinois Press published Dr. Orr's book Dudley Buck, a concise introduction to the life and work of this popular Victorian composer of organ and choral music. Dr. Orr has also edited a new authoritative edition of selected works by Buck, part of the Recent Researches in American Music series. A conductor, organist, and teacher, Buck was the first American to write professional, accessible, and popular organ music, as well as a wealth of choral music, including anthems, cantatas, and part songs. Dr. Orr's lecture will also include pictures and recorded musical examples. Dr. Orr was one of my favorite professors at GSU - I always learned so much in his classes. I can assure you that you are in for a treat!

I do hope that you will make plans to join us on Tuesday evening, October 12th!

Jeff Harbin, Dean

Dinner Notes

Dinner Reservations David Barber, *Chair* by email:AGOAtlanta_reservations@chater.net

Karen Bunn, *Chair* by phone: (h) 770.446.2084 (cell) 404.502.6292

The cost for dinners this season will be \$14. 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 pay by CASH, please bring exact change. 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. 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

a PERSONAL CHECK

-or-

CASH (with exact change)

To pay for a reservation that you didn't keep, mail a check to Charlene Ponder, *Treasurer*P.O. Box 968, Alpharetta,
GA 30009-0968

Positions Available



Complete details on these and other positions may be found at the Chapter's web-site: www.agoatlanta.org then click on "employment."

THE ANGLICAN CHURCH OF ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI 199 North Main Street, Jonesboro, GA 30236. Organist needed for the 10:00am Sunday Mass. Send resume to: Deborah Booth-Mitchell, Senior Warden at dmitchell081552@gmail.com or send to above address.

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CARROLLTON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (USA), 14 Maple St., Carrollton, GA 30117 (770) 832-6131. Organist. Send resume to church (address above) to the attention of the Rev. Jan Tolbert. cpc_office13@hotmail.com.

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FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, 510 S. Tibbs Rd., Dalton, GA 30720. www.firstpresdalton.org, is seeking a Part-time Organist/ Accompanist to work with the Director of Music. Please attach resume to danny.dfumc@gmail.com or hard mail to address above.

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UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST METRO ATLANTA NORTH is seeking a part-time accompanist to play on Sunday mornings. Send resume to MusicDirector@UUMAN.org for more information.

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Executive Board Meeting: November 6, 2010 130pm

Northside Drive Baptist Church



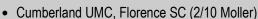
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