



# Newsletter of the Cincinnati Chapter



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### From the Dean

Hello Colleagues!

I trust you all have had a relaxing Summer! It is time for us to make plans for the coming year – musically and personally. As always, there will be many wonderful opportunities to hear our members of AGO in concert, as well as many other Cincinnati musicians. I encourage all of us to participate in the audiences as much as possible. We rarely get to hear each other play!

October 19<sup>th</sup> is coming soon! I hope you all are making plans to make some *merry music* on behalf of the International Year of the Organ. What a wonderful opportunity to *introduce* lay people as well as accomplished musicians to the music of the organ. Our Chapter plans for this event remain: Charles Hogan in concert at St. Boniface Church, Oct. 19<sup>th</sup>, at 4 PM (Please notice the change in time from my last Newsletter.) Don Auberger, Music Director at St. Boniface, has obtained a screen and video equipment so that the audience can actually see Charles playing!

Pedals, Pipes and Pizza is also being planned. Chapter members will be called by board members when we have the exact date in October. It will either be Oct. 11<sup>th</sup>, or Oct. 18<sup>th</sup>.

Our November meeting is going to be an *Organ Encounter* just for us! We plan to have as many of our members as possible, play for each other. This again, is a chance for us to hear our fellow members. Do you have a favorite piece that is no longer in print? Do you have a selection that you particularly enjoy playing? Is there a piece that your congregation gives you tremendous compliments on? The session will be about 2-1/2 hours long. One glitch: we had planned it for November 9 and then discovered that past Dean, Blake Callahan, is giving a recital at St. Peter in Chains, on the same afternoon. The planning committee does not want to have a Chapter activity at the same time as Blake's concert. We want you all to support it! SO – watch in the next Newsletter for a different date and place for this event. Start practicing! We also plan to have dinner as a group at a local restaurant after the event.

Your executive board has met in August, with several members still on vacation. So we will be meeting again in September to finalize the rest of the year. Membership in any organization is a two-way street. Please do not feel that your voice is not heard! Do feel free to contact me or any of the other members of the executive committee with ideas, comments about programming, etc. Have you attended a particular seminar that you really enjoyed? What ideas do you have for our Chapter events? Guess what – we DO listen. Hope to hear from you.

One sad note: Dave Weingartner, past AGO Dean during the Region V convention in Cincinnati, has died. He did work on many area instruments, including the Austin at St. Boniface. He also played theatre organ at the Springdale Music Palace, which no longer exists. Give Donna Wernz a call if you want to send regards to his family. He recently was living in Springboro, Ohio.

One last reminder: DUES ARE PAST DUE! We all understand the economic situation of the Country, but Ken Blue would greatly appreciate dues being paid ASAP for the coming year.

Looking forward to seeing all of you on October 19<sup>th</sup>!

Sincerely, *Marilyn McClain*

## Calendar of Local Concerts

### **September 21, 3:00 PM** **Sunday**

**Westwood First Presbyterian Church** located at 3011 Harrison Avenue, Cincinnati presents Organist Diane Meredith Belcher in Concert. Free Admission.

### **September 28, 3:00 PM** **Sunday**

**The Cathedral Basilica of the Assumption** at Madison Avenue at 12<sup>th</sup> Street, Covington, KY presents Robert Munns, Organist in recital in his farewell tour of the U.S. Freewill offering. Further information at: [www.Cathedralconcertseries.org](http://www.Cathedralconcertseries.org)

### **October 5, 3:00 PM** **Sunday**

**The Cathedral Basilica of the Assumption** at Madison Avenue at 12<sup>th</sup> Street, Covington, KY presents the Vocal Arts Ensemble of Cincinnati with Donald Nally (Chicago Lyric Opera), guest Conductor in a performance of the Faure Requiem. Suggested donation \$15. Information at [www.vaecinci.org](http://www.vaecinci.org) or 513-559-0000.

### **October 5, 3:00 PM** **Sunday**

**Christ Church Cathedral** at Fourth & Sycamore, presents Dr. Connie Hensel Golden in recital. Free admission. Evensong by the Cathedral Choir (Howells, Philip Moore, and Ayleward) and reception to follow. Free parking in the Queen City Club lot.

### **October 5, 7:30 PM** **Sunday**

**Mount St. Mary's Seminary** at 6616 Beechmont Ave., Cincinnati presents Sunday Vespers with the Athenaeum Chorale, Anthony DiCello, Music Director.

### **October 10, 8:00 PM** **Friday**

**Saint Peter in Chains Cathedral** located at 325 W. 8<sup>th</sup> Street, Cincinnati presents the vocal ensemble Chanticleer in a season opener. The concert will include a special recognition of musical achievement for Chanticleer: an induction into the American Classical Music Hall of Fame. Tickets: \$35 in advance/\$38 at the door. Call 513-421-2222. [www.stpeterinchainscathedral.org](http://www.stpeterinchainscathedral.org).

### **October 12, 2:30 PM** **Sunday**

**Westwood Organ Trek** – An afternoon of visiting four of the pipe organs of Westwood – Grace Lutheran, Westwood United Methodist, St. Catharine of Sienna, and Westwood First Presbyterian, Includes light refreshments.

### **October 12 – 13** **52<sup>nd</sup> Annual Dayton Church Music**

**Workshop** sponsored by the Dayton AGO Chapter. This year's workshop will include clinicians Rev. Dr. Thomas Long, Craig Courtney, Ken Cowan, Robert Hobby and our local organist James Walton (Hype Park Community UMC). Information available at [www.agohq.org/chapters/dayton](http://www.agohq.org/chapters/dayton) or [daytonworkshop@hotmail.com](mailto:daytonworkshop@hotmail.com) or telephone 513-539-2012.

### **October 15, 7:30 PM** **Wednesday**

**Christ Church Cathedral's** a cappella choir joins Northern Kentucky Brotherhood Singers (Vocal Jazz Ensemble) and NBC's Team Cincinnati in an all a cappella concert. Tickets (\$10, \$15, and \$20) available through the Aronoff Center at [www.cincinnatiarts.org](http://www.cincinnatiarts.org) or (513) 621-ARTS.

### **October 19, 3:00 PM** **Sunday**

**The Cathedral Basilica of the Assumption** at Madison Avenue at 12<sup>th</sup> Street, Covington, KY presents Musica Sacra Chorus and Orchestra, Helmut Roehrig, Director in an All-Mozart Program. Freewill offering. Information at: [www.Cathedralconcertseries.org](http://www.Cathedralconcertseries.org)

### **November 16, 3:00 PM** **Sunday**

**The Cathedral Basilica of the Assumption** at Madison Avenue at 12<sup>th</sup> Street, Covington, KY presents Kim Heindel, Organist (Mt. Washington Presbyterian Church in a performance of La Nativite – 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Olivier Messaien's Birth. Freewill Offering. Further information at: [www.Cathedralconcertseries.org](http://www.Cathedralconcertseries.org)

### **November 2, 3:00 PM** **Sunday**

**Lakeside Presbyterian Church**, located in Lakeside, Kentucky presents Organist Thomas Miles in recital. Free Admission.

### **November 2, 3:00 PM** **Sunday**

**Christ Church Cathedral** presents Michael Brittenback of St. George's Dayton in recital. Free admission. At 4:00 PM, Cathedral Choir presents Durufle's Requiem with strings and organ in liturgical context. Free parking in the Queen City Club lot.

### **November 2, 7:30 PM** **Sunday**

**Mount St. Mary's Seminary** at 6616 Beechmont Ave., Cincinnati presents All Souls Vespers with the Athenaeum Chorale, Anthony DiCello, Music Director.

### **November 9, 3:00 PM** **Sunday**

**Saint Peter in Chains Cathedral** located at 325 W. 8<sup>th</sup> Street, Cincinnati presents An Organ Spectacular. In observance of the International Year of the Organ, Blake Callahan, associate Cathedral Organist will present a solo organ concert featuring works of J.S.Bach, Franck, Widor, Vierne and others. Freewill offering. For information: [www.stpeterinchainscathedral.org](http://www.stpeterinchainscathedral.org)

### **November 11, 7:30 PM** **Tuesday**

**Saint Peter in Chains Cathedral** located at 325 W. 8<sup>th</sup> Street, Cincinnati presents the award-winning vocal ensemble of Estonia making its Cincinnati debut appearance. The Camber Choir with the Tallin Chamber Orchestra led by Tonu Kaljuste will present a program of music by Arvo Part, Erkki-Sven Tuur and Antonio Vivaldi. Tickets \$35 in advance/\$38 at the door. Call 513-421-2222 [www.stpeterinchainscathedral.org](http://www.stpeterinchainscathedral.org).

**November 17, 7:30 PM**

**Cincinnati Museum Center** presents David Briggs together with the Xavier University Concert Choir, Tom Merrill, Director. Mr. Briggs has held positions at Truro and Hereford Cathedrals as well as King's College, Cambridge, where he was Organ Scholar, and is Organist Emeritus at Gloucester Cathedral, where he directed the music program for eight years. Program features works by Wagner, Haydn, Grieg, Ravel and two silent movies accompanied by the organ – The Adventurer, and The Immigrant by Charlie Chaplin. For ticket information call 513-287-7001 or online at: [www.cincymuseum.org](http://www.cincymuseum.org). (Single Tickets Only).

**Monday****January 11, 3:00 PM**

**The Cathedral Basilica of the Assumption** at Madison Avenue at 12<sup>th</sup> street, Covington, KY presents An Epiphany Epilogue, featuring the NKY Faculty Brass Quintet, the Cathedral Angelus Singers, LeeAnn Kordenbrock, vocal soloist, Gregory Schaffer, Synthesizer & Organ, Rita & Bob Schaffer, Organ and Nell Schaffer, Piano. Free admission. Information at: [www.Cathedralconcertseries.org](http://www.Cathedralconcertseries.org).

**Sunday****November 30, 3:00 PM**

**Saint Peter in Chains Cathedral** located at 325 W. 8<sup>th</sup> Street, Cincinnati presents the annual Advent Lessons & Carols service sung by the Choir of Saint Peter in Chains Cathedral featuring seasonal choral music with the "O Antiphon" chants and handbells. Freewill offering.

**Sunday****February 1, 3:00 PM**

**Christ Church Cathedral** presents Yun Kim (of Christ Church, Dayton) in a recital. Free admission. Evensong by the Cathedral Choir and reception to follow. Free parking in the Queen City Club lot.

**Sunday****December 7, 3:00 PM**

**The Cathedral Basilica of the Assumption** at Madison Avenue at 12<sup>th</sup> Street presents the Advent Festival of Lessons & Carols featuring the Cathedral Basilica Bishop's Choir, Robert Schaffer, Conductor, Cathedral Organs. Freewill Offering. Information available at: [www.Cathedralconcertseries.org](http://www.Cathedralconcertseries.org).

**Sunday****February 15, 3:00 PM**

**Saint Peter in Chains Cathedral** located at 325 W. 8<sup>th</sup> Street, Cincinnati presents the Cathedral Choir & Orchestra in works by Handel, Purcell and Haydn. Tickets: \$35 in advance/\$38 at the door. Call 513-421-2222 or online: [www.stpeterinchainscathedral.org](http://www.stpeterinchainscathedral.org).

**Sunday****December 7, 7:30 PM**

**Mount St. Mary's Seminary** at 6616 Beechmont Ave., Cincinnati presents Advent Lessons and Carols featuring the Athenaeum Chorale & Mount St. Mary's Seminary Schola Cantorum, Anthony DiCello, Music Director.

**Sunday****February 22, 3:00 PM**

**The Cathedral Basilica of the Assumption** at Madison Avenue at 12<sup>th</sup> Street, Covington, KY presents the Miami University (OH) Choruses, Chamber Singers and Choraliers. William Bausano, Director of Choruses. Freewill offering. [www.Cathedralconcertseries.org](http://www.Cathedralconcertseries.org).

**Sunday****December 9, 7:30 PM**

**Christ Church Cathedral** presents students from Indiana University in a complete reading of Messiaen's *La Nativites du Seigneur* on the eve of the composer's centenary. Free admission.

**Tuesday****March 2, 7:30 PM**

**Cincinnati Museum Center** presents Jean-Baptiste Robin with Barbara Paver, Soprano. Jean-Baptiste Robin is Professor of Organ at the Conservatoire National de Region de Versailles and Titulaire Organist at Poitiers Cathedral, France. Program includes works by Bach, Liszt, Rachmaninov, Debussy, improvisation by Jean-Baptiste Robin and Four Last Songs, Richard Strauss with Barbara Paver, Soprano. For ticket information call 513-287-7001 or online at: [www.cincymuseum.org](http://www.cincymuseum.org). (Single Tickets Only).

**Monday****December 14, 3:00 PM**

**Saint Peter in Chains Cathedral** located at 325 W. 8<sup>th</sup> Street, Cincinnati presents a *Holiday Concert* featuring the Vocal Arts Ensemble of Cincinnati led by VAE Founding Director, Elmer Thomas. The central piece of the concert will be Benjamin Britten's *A Ceremony of Carols*. Tickets: \$18 in advance/\$38 at the door. Call 513-421-2222 or online [www.stpeterinchainscathedral.org](http://www.stpeterinchainscathedral.org)

**Sunday****March 15, 3:00 PM**

**The Cathedral Basilica of the Assumption** at Madison Avenue at 12<sup>th</sup> Street, Covington, KY presents A Musical Celebration of J.S. Bach's 324<sup>th</sup> Birthday with the Bach Association of Cincinnati, Ohio, Thomas Sherwood, Founder & Director, Elmer Thomas, Guest Conductor. Freewill offering. [www.Cathedralconcertseries.org](http://www.Cathedralconcertseries.org).

**Sunday****December 21, 4:00 PM**

**Christ Church Cathedral** presents a Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols, in the manner of King's College, Cambridge. Free admission. Free parking in the Queen City Club lot.

**Sunday****March 20, 7:30 PM**

**Saint Peter in Chains Cathedral** located at 325 W. 8<sup>th</sup> Street, Cincinnati presents the Choir of St. Thomas Church in New York City under their new conductor John Scott, former conductor of St. Paul's Cathedral, London. Tickets: \$35 in advance/\$38 at the door. Call 513-421-2222 or: [www.stpeterinchainscathedral.org](http://www.stpeterinchainscathedral.org).

**Friday**

**April 8, 7:30 PM**

**Wednesday**

**Saint Peter in Chains Cathedral** located at 325 W. 8<sup>th</sup> Street, Cincinnati presents the *Ancient Office of Tenebrae* Featuring Gregorian Chants and other choral music including the Lamentations of Jeremiah and Allegri's "Miserere" sung by the Cathedral Choir. No tickets required for this event. Freewill offering.

**April 20, 7:30 PM**

**Monday**

**Cincinnati Museum Center** presents Peter Richard Conte with Randolph Bowman, Principal Flutist of the Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra. Peter Richard Conte is no stranger to Cincinnati. He performs many times each week on the legendary Wanamaker Grand Court Organ at Macy's (formerly the Wanamaker Store) in Philadelphia. His program will include works by Wagner, Strauss, Elgar, Franck and with Randolph Bowman, works by Franck, Albinoni and Blavet. For ticket information call 513-287-7001 or online at:

[www.cincymuseum.org](http://www.cincymuseum.org). (Single Tickets Only).

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**From Editor** – While many concerts for the coming season now appear in this edition, many have not yet been posted. I urge you to send even incomplete Concert information so that calendars can be reserved...

### **Choir Robes Available** (give away to good homes)

42 purple Collegiate – classic style adult robes with reversible stoles (white on one side/white with purple stripe on the reverse) 2 robes have cuffs, sizes small to extra large in good condition. 40 red CM Almy – alb-style children's robes, excellent condition and washable. Sizes small to large. Contact: Joyce Zigler (AGO member) in Middletown at 513-422-6365.

## *Job Openings*

### **Music Director/Organist/Handbell Director**

**St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church**, located at 106 Maple Street, Reading Ohio seeks someone to serve a growing, medium-sized congregation. Two Sunday morning Eucharists. Chancel choir of 14, an instrumental group and a handbell choir of 6-8 people with a four octave set of handbells. Pipe organ rebuilt in 1992. Salary commensurate with experience and duties performed. Further information available at [musicdirector@fuse.net](mailto:musicdirector@fuse.net). Apply with cover letter and resume. Contact Carla Jowanovitz at (513) 821-0987.