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The Pipeline



AMERICAN GUILD OF ORGANISTS
HOUSTON CHAPTER

From the Dean...

Charting the Path in Uncertain Times

Our rector has retired. After 14 -plus years in leadership at my church in Kingwood, Father Dennis has retired, and we find ourselves feeling like orphans left home alone with a court-appointed foster parent (an interim priest from the Diocese). We know he wants the best for us, but he won't be around in eighteen months, so we aren't getting too attached. Instead, we formed a committee.



Jackson Hearn

I was born, raised, educated as, and worked as a Methodist for more than half my life. There, ministers were changed out as easily as one changed a burned-out fuse. Unless you got a faulty fuse, things kept humming right along. But things are different here, and for a church where resistance to change is inbred, we are trying to decide how to cope with this loss. So we formed a committee.

Even for a church resistant to it, change does happen. We just don't realize it easily. Ours is a different church than the one Father Dennis came to shepherd in 1993, but how so? How can we find out what those changes are? Easy. We form a committee. *"God so loved the world that he didn't send a committee."*

Our Guild chapter is no different than the Church. Change is inevitable here, too. We are faced with an aging membership, diverse worship styles, and a huge and ever growing geographical region. We have amateurs, part-timers, and aficionados as well as well trained professional organists in our group. How can we serve all of us?

Let's not just 'form a committee.' Let's do something. Let's start by gathering together to share our thoughts, hopes, wishes and needs. Our regional councillor, Madolyn Fallis will be with us on Tuesday, March 11 to facilitate our discussion. Please make every effort to join us that night to plan for the future.

March Chapter Meeting

Tuesday, March 11

CHRIST CHURCH PRESBYTERIAN
5001 BELLAIRE BLVD

with

Madolyn Fallis, Region VII Councillor

5:30 pm ~ AGO Board Meeting

6:30 pm ~ Social time

7:00 pm ~ Dinner

7:45 pm ~ Meeting

9:30 pm ~ Meeting adjourned

Cost for dinner: \$9.00

Reservations: e-mail HoustonAGO@aol.com
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About Town... Events thru April 25

Sunday, March 2

3:00 pm Concert
 Steven A. Newberry, organ
 Nancy Curtis, soprano
 The music of Herbert Howells

3:30 pm Evensong, St. John's Chorale
 THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE DIVINE
 2450 RIVER OAKS BLVD 77019

5:00 pm Cantare Houston presents
 Requiem by Maurice Duruflé
 Tickets: 281.649.3479
 FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
 5300 MAIN STREET

Tuesday, March 4

7:30 pm Cantare Houston presents
 Requiem by Maurice Duruflé
 Tickets: 281.649.3479
 THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE DIVINE
 2450 RIVER OAKS BOULEVARD

Wednesday, March 5

12:10-12:40 pm Lenten Recital Series
 Daryl Robinson, organ
 PALMER CHURCH
 6221 MAIN ST., HOUSTON

Sunday, March 9

3:00 pm "Irish Voice, Irish Dreams"
 Scenes and poetry pieces illuminating
 the Irish spirit.

McGEHEE BUILDING
 CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL
 1117 TEXAS AVENUE

4:00 pm Organ Concert
 S. Wayne Foster, organist
 MOODY MEMORIAL METHODIST
 2803 53RD ST, GALVESTON

4:00 pm "Under the Greenwood Tree"
 Musical Settings of William
 Shakespeare presented by *Col Canto*
 Tickets 713.342-9092 www.colcanto.org
 LATHAM AUDITORIUM
 CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL
 1117 TEXAS AVENUE

7:00 pm Lenten Organ Concert
 Adrian Lucas, organist
 Tickets: 713.354.2250
 \$15 advance ~ \$20 at door
 THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE DIVINE
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Wednesday, March 12

12:10-12:40 pm Lenten Series
 Steven A. Newberry, organ
 PALMER CHURCH
 6221 MAIN ST., HOUSTON

Sunday, March 16

8:00 pm Sung Compline
 THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE DIVINE
 2450 RIVER OAKS BLVD

Friday, March 21

7:30 pm Duruflé Requiem
 St. John's Chorale
 River Oaks Chamber Orchestra
 THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE DIVINE
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Sunday, April 6

3:00 pm Concert
 George Mims, organ
3:30 pm Evensong, St. John's Chorale
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Thursday, April 10

4-6:00 pm A.I. Lack Series
 Kimberly Marshall Masterclass
 Admission: Free and Open to public
 ORGAN HALL
 UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON

Friday, April 11

7:30 pm A.I. Lack Series
 Kimberly Marshall Recital
 Works by Sweelinck, Bach,
 Ferrabosco and Alain. Free.
 ORGAN HALL
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Sunday, April 13

2:00 pm Music for Organ and Strings
 Clayton Roberts and
 John Markert, organists
 ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH
 3606 BEAUCHAMP, HOUSTON

5:00 pm Choral Evensong sung by
 The Cathedral Treble Choir
 CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL
 1117 TEXAS AVENUE

Sunday, April 20

8:00 pm Sung Compline
 THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE DIVINE
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Friday, April 25

7:00 pm Organ Concert
 David Henning, D.M.A., Organist
 Dr. Henning is the Assistant Organist
 and Assistant Director of Music at
 St. Martin's Episcopal Church. Works
 by Bach, Dupré, Duruflé, and Litz.
 ST. MARTIN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
 717 SAGE ROAD

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THE UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON presents...

A.I. Lack Series

MOORES SCHOOL OF MUSIC

Kimberly Marshall

ORGAN MASTER CLASS

Thursday, April 10, 4-6:00 pm

ORGAN CONCERT

Friday, April 11, 7:30 pm

Works by Sweelinck, Bach, Ferrabosco and Alain

EVENTS ARE FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Jobs available...

For the latest information contact
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713.524.3554

Part-time Pianist - Old River Terrace
United Methodist Church, 16102 I-10 E,
Channelview. Wednesday Choir Rehearsal
7:30-8:30pm and Sunday Worship 11am-
12:30 p.m. Contact Pastor Clay Witaker,
281-452-2861.

Piano Accompanist - St. Philip's
United Methodist Church, 5501
Beechnut, Houston. Duties: Thursday
rehearsal 7-8:30pm. Accompany choir;
accompany soloists, ensembles. Sunday
10:30am - 12 Noon. Accompany choir on
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Qualifications: Demonstrated proficiency
on piano, excellent sight-reader, ability to
play all styles of music and church hymns.
Salary; \$35/hour, 3 hours per week.
Contact: Allen Grant, Chairman Staff
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Maurice Duruflé Requiem

Keith Weber, Organ

Kevin Reihle, Artistic Director

Sunday, March 2, 5:00 pm

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5300 MAIN STREET

Tuesday, March 4, 7:30 pm

THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE DIVINE
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TICKETS 281-649-3479

Coming in May... THE CHENAULTS IN CONCERT

SUNDAY, MAY 4, 4:00 PM ~ MOODY MEMORIAL METHODIST CHURCH



American Guild of Organists National Convention June 22 – 26, 2008 Minneapolis – St. Paul

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only \$138/night. Reservations: 888-933-5353 or use the link on the convention Web site.

Lenten Offerings around town...



LENTEN ORGAN CONCERT
ST. JOHN THE DIVINE EPISCOPAL CHURCH
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Adrian Lucas - March 9, 7:00 pm
Worcester Cathedral, England

Adrian Lucas is Master of the Choristers at Worcester Cathedral, having previously held posts at St. John's College Cambridge, Salisbury, Norwich and Portsmouth Cathedrals prior to moving to Worcester in 1996. His 2008 concert tour includes programs in Virginia Beach, VA; Williamsburg, VA; Indianapolis, IN; Grand Rapids, MI; Ann Arbor, MI; Worcester, MA; Boston, MA; Palm Beach, FL and Houston.

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Wednesday, February 13

Joe Causby
Church of the Epiphany

Wednesday, February 20

Phillip Kloeckner
St. Stephen's Episcopal Church

Wednesday, February 27

Linda Thomas
Kinsman Lutheran Church

Wednesday, March 5

Daryl Robinson
South Main Baptist Church

Wednesday, March 12

Steven A. Newberry
St. John the Divine

ALL RECITALS ARE 30 MINUTES,
FROM 12:10 -12:40 PM

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