



Welcome to the New Year



Greetings from the Dean:

Warmest Greetings and best wishes for the New Year!

A special thank you to our program committee for all their work on the Program Booklet. Designing a new publication and format is no small task. AND thank you to our advertisers!

So, I bet you are swamped with all those things that you put off until January. I know I am. I am going to plead with you that you do two small things for your BAGO Chapter in the remaining weeks in January:

First: make a point to connect with someone else in the Guild. If it is only that you attend our party on January 21 at Louise's, or try to make time for a lunch or brunch or dinner or coffee – anything with a colleague.

Second: Check with your friends in the Guild to be sure that they have renewed. I have personally spoken with 3 fellow organists recently, who thought that their membership was up to date, but, in fact, it had lapsed!

Look for the detail information on attending our Potluck get together at Louise's, and the King's Chapel Concert beforehand, and then the Women in Music Festival on February 4! See you there!

Also be sure to look at the calendar on our web site (bostonago.org/info/calendar) for the many wonderful events taking place in our city and environs, so rich in musical offerings.

PLEASE BE SURE to check for yourself AND ask your colleagues to see if membership has been renewed! Please Do it NOW! Please make sure that the AGO has your current Email address, and ask your friends if they have seen AND read the latest newsletter – remind them to renew.

Have you renewed your membership yet?

Robert Barney



From the Sub-Dean:

Happy New Year!

On Sunday, January 21, 2018 at 5 pm we have two events.

One is a concert featuring the music of BAGO member James Woodman at King's Chapel at 5 pm. The other is a BAGO potluck at my house, 150 Brooks Street in W. Medford also at 5 pm.

Heinrich Christensen has graciously offered complimentary tickets to BAGO members for the King's Chapel concert. The concert lasts about an hour, so we'll extend the appetizer course at the potluck until BAGO

members come to W. Medford. If anyone needs a ride from the concert to W. Medford, please communicate with me at louise.mundinger@gmail.com

The social event is a real potluck. No signup. Just bring something to eat or drink. Last year we had lots of desserts, so this year try something different.

Upcoming: On February 4th at 3 pm BAGO will host the third WIMFest celebration at Holy Name Parish in West Roxbury. The program will include:

Prelude: "Springs in the Desert" by Susan Clearman played by Brink Bush. Susan will be on hand with copies of her music.

Lecture-Demonstration: "Modern Chant: Transcription and Interpretation for Today's Audience" with members of Cappella Clausura, Amelia LeClair, conductor
Cappella Clausura is the winner of the 2017 ASCAP/Alice Parker/Chorus America Award for Adventurous Programming

A recital by BAGO member Erica Johnson

Choral reading session sponsored by JW Pepper

Reception

At The Mother Church in Boston, on the Last Afternoon of 2017 (a/k/a First Night) three BAGO members braved the cold and warmed our hearts by playing a concert of beautiful music. Thank you, **David Carrier**, **Natsumi Malloy** and **Peter Krasinski**.

Yuko Hayashi, longtime head of the organ department at New England Conservatory died peacefully while taking a nap this past Sunday, January 7. She was 88. We all mourn the loss of a great performer and master teacher.

A memorial service for Yuko will be held at Christ Church, Andover on Saturday, April 28 at 11:00 a.m. Burial will be in the Hayashi family plot at St. Andrew's Cathedral in Yokohama, Japan where her father served as Anglican priest for many years.

May Yuko rest in peace and rise in glory.

Louise Mundinger



The 2018 Spring Membership Directory is now online on the BAGO website under the Members Only area. Members can view or download the file for reference. Questions? Contact Claire DeCusati (decusati@verizon.net).



Our Program Book is now available in hardcopy. Each member should have received one in a mailing through the US Post Office. If you have not yet received your copy, please contact Louise Mundinger (louise.mundinger@gmail.com) and she will send you a copy.



JULY 17-28, 2017
BACH'S ORGAN WORLD TOUR
LED BY ORGANIST LEE RIDGWAY



BAGO member **Lee Ridgway** will lead his second, and the sixth "[Bach's Organ World](#)", tour to Germany, July 23 to August 3, 2018. This tour, developed and previously led by Quentin and Mary Murrell Faulkner, focuses on organs spanning 280 years in the Berlin-Leipzig-Dresden triangle. A feature of the tour is that participants have ample time to play the organs, in addition to learning about their histories and contexts within the organ building traditions of this central German region.

Included are three organs with whom J. S. Bach had a direct connection: the Hildebrandt organs in Naumburg and Störmthal, and the Trost organ in Altenburg. Other highlights are the Silbermann organ in Dresden's Hofkirche; the organ built in 1755 by Migendt-Marx for Princess Anna Amalia, sister of Frederick the Great; the 1624 Scherer in Tangermünde; an 1864 Ladegast in Wittenberg's Schlosskirche (of Martin Luther fame); and the 1905 Saur in the Berliner Dom.

For more information, contact Lee (ridgway@mit.edu). Or contact Concept Tours at www.concept-tours.com, or 800-300-8841.