

BOSTON PIPINGS

news and notes for members of Boston Chapter AGO

Bach Birthday Bash!

Thanks from the Dean

Chapter Competition Update

Bach, Bach, Bach!

Saturday, March 21st this year sees an astounding choice of events to celebrate what some consider the greatest navigator of all sound on his 330th birthday, including our chapter's program at **First Lutheran Church, Boston.**

See you there!

Links for the Day!

The complete schedule of performances may be found on the chapter's website. Click <u>here</u>.

BAGO Bach 330

http://www.classical-scene.com/2015/03/12/bach-330/

http://flc-boston.org/bach-immersion-for-sebastian-at-330

Peter Watchorn Harpsichord Recital

http://www.musicaomnia.org/artist/peter-watchorn/

B Minor Mass at the Gloucester UU Church www.gloucesteruu.org

A performance by Musica Sacra of J.S. Bach's sublime Mass in B-minor for chorus, vocal soloists and orchestra in the Meetinghouse on Bach's birthday, Saturday, March 21st.

On-line ticket sales via credit card can be found at www.gloucesteruu.org and the best seats will be assigned in order of purchase. A limited number of VIP seats are available with direct views to the musicians in the rear gallery. Tickets will also be available at the door unless we sell-out.

There will be a pre-concert talk by Dr. Christoph Wolff, Adams Professor Emeritus, Harvard University and author of the Bach biography "The Learned Musician." Doors open at 6:00pm, the talk is at 6:30-7:00pm and the performance begins at 7:30pm. A

gala reception will follow the concert in the Vestry.

8:00 AT EMMANUEL CHURCH:

15 Newbury St, Boston
ST. JOHN PASSION, BWV 245

Performed by Emmanuel Music - Ryan Turner, Artistic Director

From the Dean:

Thanks to all the volunteers that helped get the word out about the guild during Cameron Carpenters recital on March 5.

Thanks, also, to The Boston Music Intelligencer for covering the event so well. My take away can be found on my Facebook page.

Peter Edwin Krasinski

Church of the Advent to host Chapter Competition

I am pleased to report that the Church of the Advent has graciously agreed to host our Chapter Competition on April 11, beginning at 2 p.m.

The purpose of these competitions is to encourage younger organists to pursue excellence, to gain performance experience, and to receive recognition for their achievements. These competitions begin at the Chapter level and conclude at the seven Regional Conventions. The winner of each Regional Competition will be invited to perform as a Rising Star at the 2016 National Convention in Houston, Texas. The AGO/Quimby Regional Competitions are made possible by a generous grant from Michael Quimby, President, Quimby Pipe Organs Inc.

Please plan to attend. The performances promise to be spectacular. In addition, the Rules require the competitors to introduce a hymn and lead the audience in singing it. That means we need an audience!

David Baker Competition Coordinator