



BOSTON PIPINGS

news and notes for members of Boston Chapter AGO

September 2020 Pipings - The Newsletter of the Boston Chapter AGO

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Greetings!

“It’s like riding in a train sitting backwards. We can’t see where we’re headed, only where we’ve been.” (Pema Chödrön)

Where are we headed, and when will we arrive?



Greetings, friends and colleagues, and welcome to the beginning of a unique and unpredictable season. I believe the American Buddhist nun Pema Chödrön’s suggestion is good: we are on the back car of the train; we are indeed moving forward, but all we can see is where we’ve been, and returning to where we’ve come from seems unrealistic and unlikely.

I don’t think we can possibly have answers yet; this is a scary and uncertain time. On the other hand, it’s an opportunity—a time to deeply reflect on why we do what we do and how we do it. We have the chance to move forward in a new and creative way. As we have already seen in the past six months, those who think outside the box and remain open and flexible (focused not on “returning,” but rather on getting to the front car of the train and actually seeing where we might “arrive”) will help determine our way forward. These folks will light the path toward the success of our current houses of worship, concert venues, arts organizations and other endeavors. Wherever we are headed and however we are to get there, I am convinced that “people” need to remain the focus of our journey.

Speaking of that, you will soon see and hear some very remarkable young people, as we offer the 2020 Young Organists Initiative Virtual Recital as our September program. Though Covid-19 disrupted lesson and practice schedules in mid-March, whether virtually or in-person (wearing masks and using hand sanitizers), these students and teachers soldiered on and produced some very fine virtual performances. Mitchell Crawford, Sub-Dean and Chair of the Program Committee, will speak to you more about that as well as the season programming which will follow.

Where exactly are we headed, and when will we arrive? No one knows, but one thing is for certain: we are in great company, and we are not alone. While we are riding together at the back of the train, let’s not forget to look left and right, spotting and appreciating moments of beauty and surprise as we continue on our journey. I very much look forward to “seeing” you at one of our upcoming virtual events!

Yours sincerely,

Jeremy Bruns, Dean

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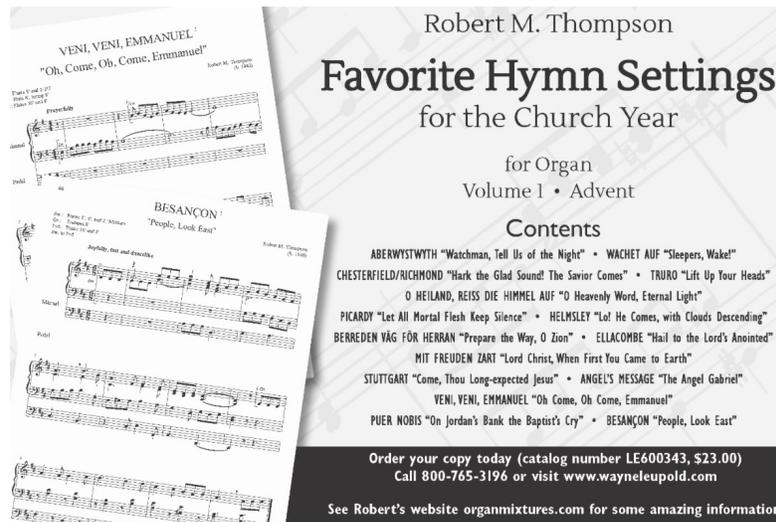
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New Member Welcome

Please welcome **Nathan Peace** to our Chapter. He is transferring in from the Atlanta Chapter. We look forward to greeting him at our next events.

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BAGO YOUNG ORGANIST INITIATIVE
SCHOLARSHIP AUDITIONS

Young Organist Initiative Scholarship Auditions

Auditions for 2020-2021 will be conducted Virtually

- Submission deadline: October 15, 2020
- For more information [click here](#)

Students in grades 6 - 12 are eligible to audition

- Applicants should submit one or two organ and/or piano pieces to audition for these scholarships
- Please note: former YOI Scholarship winners are not eligible to audition again

Scholars receive...

- A \$600 Scholarship for organ studies with a BAGO organ teacher, to be selected by the BAGO YOI Committee
- Membership for one year in the American Guild of Organists
- \$100 award following concluding concert

All 2020-2021 Scholars perform in recital at

- King's Chapel, Boston, Tuesday June 29, 2021 12:15 PM
 - This date is tentative, and will be revisited in light of the ongoing pandemic during the course of 2021

For questions, or to apply, please contact YOI Coordinator [Mitchell Crawford](#)



Webinar: Live Streaming Music Legally in Churches and Recitals

Wednesday, September 23, 2020 at 2:00 pm EDT

Panelists: Brenna Cronin, General Manager, One License;
David Schaapp, Founder, Selah Publishing
Moderator: Eileen Hunt

This webinar will address all aspects of U.S. copyright laws and will cover all aspects of compliance. Please register [here](#).

September 2020 BAGO Chapter Program YOI Recital Premier

For our September BAGO program, we'll be premiering a video recital by our **2020 YOI scholarship recipients**. More information will be sent when the video content is available.



Organ Webinars on Teaching

This six-week series takes place on Mondays at 4pm EDT via Zoom.

October 5th:
Dr. Stephen Price, Presenter
Building an Organist Artistry Through Literature Choices

This topic will explore the correlation between building a student's technical and musical skill levels through organ literature. The study will focus on two musical objectives: lyrical and perpetual motion styles. Stephen Price currently teaches organ and music at Ball State University in Muncie, Indiana and serves on the executive committee of AGO Indianapolis Chapter. Register for this Webinar, [click here](#)

Know your Chapter's History Quiz:

When was the first newsletter for the Chapter Published?

1. 1905 - from the founding of the Chapter
2. 1942 - during WW II to keep members informed
3. 1951 - the year after the National Convention held in Boston
4. 1965 - when technology made it easier to publish

Bonus Question: What was the name of the first newsletter?

1. Pipings

2. En Chamade
3. The Bulletin

[Click here for the answer!](#)

Substitute List Update

We are in process of updating the Substitute List for a current listing in September. Please remember that you must be a member of BAGO to be on the list. If you have not renewed your Chapter membership, now is the time. You can review the data on the substitute list [here](#), and update any information [here](#). (You will need the website password to access the Members Area).

Is it time to renew your AGO Membership?



This time of year, our Chapter normally has a large number of memberships coming up for renewal. AGO Headquarters has extended a member's expiration date with a three month grace period; however, when a membership becomes inactive, it will result in suspended delivery of TAO. During this time, we encourage you to renew your membership by credit card, utilizing ONCARD.

A video with instructions on how to renew through ONCARD can be found [here](#). If you are not comfortable using ONCARD through the <http://www.agohq.org> website, the member services team is here to help! Please call 212-870-2311 and follow the voicemail prompts. They are most happy to help in processing anyone's membership renewal by credit card!

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