

Principal Pipings

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Dean's Message

Happy April!

These are certainly strange times with the current pandemic, and the AGO is not immune to these changes. However, I hope that during this “quarantine” period, you’ve had some time to relax. Perhaps you’ve finally learned that piece you’ve left in the bench for years, finished the last chapter of that book on your nightstand, listened to the birds on your back porch, or simply took the time to just sit and be still.

Given these circumstances, our April and May programs will be canceled. I have talked with our presenter for the April program and he has been gracious enough to offer to give his harpsichord presentation next season, and our Officer Installation Luncheon will be incorporated in our September event.

The “upcoming events” section in this newsletter has been edited with what I know is canceled (and is quite sparse), and I’m sure many others are canceled as well. As I will not be able to send an email out for each individual program, please contact the venue or church before you show up to an empty parking lot.

With just a few more details to iron out in our program year for next year, the Executive Committee has been working hard to create a great lineup for our 75th anniversary, and I will announce the programs in our May newsletter.

Also, please make sure you take a couple of minutes to vote by email for our new officers. As always, thank you for being part of the Lexington Chapter, and I hope you stay healthy and safe during this time.

James

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Upcoming Events

5.17.20 **Concert - Cully Bell, collaborative piano, EKU (3:30pm)**
Evensong with the Cathedral Choir (4:00pm)
Christ Church Cathedral, Lexington, KY

5.22.20 **SCAPA Madrigal Singers Concert, Ryan Marsh, Conductor**
7:30pm Christ Church Cathedral, Lexington, KY

Please note this is subject to change. Please contact the venue/church hosting each event to confirm. All AGO sponsored programs are canceled until further notice due to the COVID-19 pandemic.



Mark DeAlba presenting a Buxtehude work at the March Masterclass with Paul Barte

For inclusion in the newsletter calendar for local music events, please contact James Humlong at james.humlong@gmail.com. Due to space limitations, events will be listed for the current and following month. You can find events beyond that timeframe on our website, www.agolexington.org.

GREAT MUSIC

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Concert & Evensong

SUNDAY, MAY 17

3:30pm Cully Bell, collaborative piano,
Eastern Kentucky University

4:00pm Evensong
with Chorister Recognitions
with the Cathedral Choir



Concert

FRIDAY, MAY 22

7:30pm
SCAPA Madrigal Singers
Ryan Marsh, conductor

*Please visit www.ccclex.org
to view the complete list of events.*



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Chapter News

March Program

Elections

Our March Program was a two-day event, featuring LexAGO's good friend, Dr. Paul Barte, from Ohio University. Friday evening, March 6, Paul gave a concert in costume as J. S. Bach, where he presented an all-Bach program and discussed each piece, as perhaps Bach himself would have introduced the pieces. With many in attendance from both the chapter and the community, this was a great way to celebrate Bach's birthday month. The very Baroque color of the organ at Maxwell Street Presbyterian Church added a nice touch to the program as well.

Saturday's masterclass was also Baroque themed, although Dr. Barte was not in costume for this session! Mark DeAlba presented *Praeludium in g minor, BuxWV 149*, by Buxtehude, and James Humlong played *Ich ruf' zu dir, Herr Jesu Christ, BWV 639*, by J. S. Bach. Dr. Barte was very helpful in explaining Baroque technique, ornamentation, registration, and the history behind these pieces. It was a very informative session and an enjoyable weekend.

Bored stuck at home in quarantine? Many performance venues such as The Metropolitan Opera, Broadway shows, the Seattle Symphony, and others are offering broadcasts of old performances online, all available for free to keep you entertained.



Dr. Paul Barte as J. S. Bach

Your Nominating Committee, chaired by Ted Gentry, has met and is pleased to recommend the following people for the Executive Committee for the 2020-2022 term:

Dean – Jane Johnson

Subdean – Brian Hunt

Treasurer/Registrar – Anna Pan (incumbent)

Secretary – Grant Holcomb

Member-At-Large 2023 (3 year term) – Gabrielle Manion

Please cast your ballot by email to current Secretary Tina Wagoner at organazi@gmail.com no later than Friday, April 24, at 5:00pm so they can be tallied and announced in the May Newsletter.



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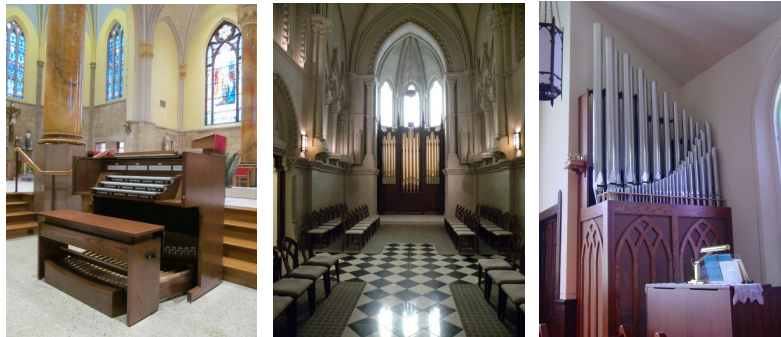
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Concerts & Evensongs

3:30pm Concert

4:00pm Evensong with Cathedral Choirs

September 22

February 16

October 20

March 15

November 3

May 17

January 26

Friday, December 6

7:30pm George Frideric Handel's *Messiah*
with the Cathedral Choir

For ticket reservations visit
www.ccclex.org/messiah



Sunday, December 15

7:00pm A Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols
with the Cathedral Choir

Saturday, December 21

Noon *A Ceremony of Carols* by Benjamin Britten
Elaine Cook, harp, and the Cathedral Girls Choir



Palm Sunday, April 5

4:00pm Gabriel Fauré's *Requiem*
with the Choir of Men and Boys



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