

DEAN'S LETTER

Dear Nashville Colleagues,

One of the many privileges of being part of a large and diverse AGO Chapter is the wealth of talent embodied in our membership. This was on full display at our September Members' Recital at Covenant Presbyterian Church. Bravo Marsha Scheusner, Hildegard Cox, Nick Bergin, Gregg Bunn, Dawn Seidenschwarz, Thomas Russell, Elizabeth Smith, and Josh Coble! Our many thanks for the splendid concert to open our program year.

Another privilege we enjoy as a chapter is the depth of knowledge and experience within our membership we can draw on for programing. Enter **Dr. Wilma Jensen**, our Education Committee Chairperson, outstanding recitalist, church musician, and teacher. *Wonder Woman Wilma*, the *Betty White of the Organ World*, seems always to be in motion, never without a project. Her latest is a compilation of choral anthems she has found to be, "accessible, attractive, and appealing," her *AAA Choral Repertoire list*.

In an introduction to the list Wilma writes, "I have found these to be effective musically and textually in worship, both for the choir and congregation. They do not necessarily represent music of all historic periods, or perhaps even enough variety between expressive and rhythmic styles. However, they have remained favorite anthems of mine and of my choirs, and I wanted to share them in case you might find them useful with your own choirs."

Wilma will present a selection from her *AAA Choral Repertoire list* in a reading session for our **October 6** program at **Brentwood United Methodist Church**. Our Chapter dinner and meeting will begin at 6:30 PM,

followed by the choral reading session at 7:30 PM. All music on the list will be available for sale through Lois Fyfe Music, either as individual titles or the complete reading packet. Running concurrently with Wilma's session will be the New & Used Organ Music Sale, which will be open from 6:00–6:30 PM and following dinner until 9:00 PM. All proceeds of used organ music sales will go to the benefit of our Nashville Chapter. I hope you will join me in this evening of fellowship, education, and discovery. All events will take place downstairs: Music sale will be in the Parlor, the area below the Narthex accessible by staircase or elevator. Dinner will be in the Singles Ministry area (large room adjacent to the Parlor), and choral reading session will be in the Adult Choir Room.

One final invitation, and I'm channeling Rick Steves of the popular PBS series, *Rick Steves' Europe*. As you enter the vast narthex of Brentwood UMC, ascend the grand staircase (or take the elevator) to the second tier balcony. There along the circular wall you will find a display of the late Belorussian-born French modernist artist Marc Chagall. Widely regarded as one of the most successful artists of the 20th century—whose paintings include the ceiling of the Palais Garnier (Opéra national de Paris)—these lithographs, which are part of his Bible Suite, each depict a scene from the Old Testament. This is a wonderful treasure, and I hope you will take the opportunity to experience it while at Brentwood.

Looking forward to seeing you all soon!

Jonathan Setzer Dean

OCTOBER PROGRAM MONDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2014

Dinner (6:30) and Wilma Jensen Choral Reading Session (7:30)
Brentwood United Methodist Church • 309 Franklin Road • Brentwood, 37027

DINNER, 6:30 PM — Reservations, due by October 1, can be made online @ <www.nashvilleago.org>, click on Dinner Reservations, or contact Linda Winters @ <lwinters357@gmail.com> or @ 615–456–2065.

MEMBER NEWS

Welcome New Members:

Bud Fox (Chapter Friend)
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Bowling Green, KY 42104
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Bud is Pastor of ConneXion Christian Community,
Bowling Green

Jean R. Knox 4960 Tulip Grove Lane Hermitage, TN 37076 615-874-0066 <jeanknox@bellsouth.net> Jean is Organist at Hermitage UMC, Hermitage, TN

> Janet Schmidt Membership Chair janetrschmidt@gmail.com



New members Bobby Stubbs and Preston Roten



September Members' Concert Performers

SUBSTITUTE LIST

An updated Substitute list may be found on our chapter website <www.nashvilleago.org>

JOB OPENINGS

Craft Memorial United Methodist Church, Columbia TN has an immediate need for an interim organist (or organist/director) for 10:30 AM Sunday services. Choir rehearsals are currently held on Wednesday nights but may be changed to accommodate an applicant. Instrument is a Rodgers Classic 2-manual organ. Please contact Rev. Angy Trimmer at 704-460-7949.

First Presbyterian Church, Lewisburg, TN is seeking an organist for one Sunday morning service and Wednesday night rehearsal each week, beginning April 27, 2014. Bachelor's degree in music is preferred but not required. Specifications for the historic Kilgen 2/11 (1900) organ can be seen at <www.nashvilleago.org/AreaOrgans/Specs/FPCLewisburg/htm>. Please contact Bill Lawrie at
blawrie12@att.net> or 931-637-1750 for further information.

First United Methodist Church, McMinnville, TN has an immediate opening for an Organist for one Sunday service (10:30 AM) and Wednesday night rehearsal each week, as well as any special services during the church year. Salary is negotiable. Contact Donna Campbell, Director of Music, at 931-808-8415 or Senior Pastor, James Johnson at 931-473-4419.

Hillwood Presbyterian Church, Nashville TN has an immediate opening for a part-time Organist/Accompanist. Qualifications include the ability to play a traditional Presbyterian service, creative hymn accompaniments, choir anthem/solo accompaniments, adequate sight-reading skills, and open score parts playing. Duties include a Wednesday evening choir rehearsal and one service on Sunday morning, as well as seasonal participation in the handbell choir. Salary is commensurate with experience. Please forward resumés to Brian Warford, Director of Music Ministries, at

brian@brianscustomtheaters.com>, or call 615-456-1671.

Immanuel Baptist Church, Nashville TN is seeking a parttime Minister of Music. This is a mid-size city church with a rich heritage of traditional worship and high quality music. Prior conducting experience is preferred. Please send resume to Search Committee, or e-mail to <smeriwether@ ibcnashville.org> before October 31, 2014.

Charlotte Hughes, Placement Chair

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ARTS CALENDAR SEPTEMBER, OCTOBER, NOVEMBER 2014-2015

SEPTEMBER

9/25 (Thursday) — 7:00 PM

Schola Cantorum of Oxford University St. George's Episcopal Church 4715 Harding Road, Nashville, 37205

9/27 — 1:45 PM

Andrew Risinger, organist Free Day of Music Nashville Symphony Schermerhorn Symphony Center 1 Symphony Center, Nashville, 37201

9/30 (Tuesday) — 7:30 PM

Nashville Philharmonic Orchestra Concert St. George's Episcopal Church 4715 Harding Road, Nashville, 37205

OCTOBER

10/5 — 4:00 PM

Hymn Festival to mark the 40th Anniversary of the Beckerath Organ First Presbyterian Church 4815 Franklin Road, Nashville 37220 David Arcus, guest organist

10/12 - 4:00 PM

Organ Concert sponsored by a gift from Lois & Peter Fyfe Mark Laubach, organist Christ Church Cathedral, Nashville 900 Broadway, Nashville 37203

10/12 — 5:00 PM

Choral Evensong St. George's Episcopal Church 4715 Harding Road, Nashville, 37205

10/15 (Wednesday) — 9:15 PM

Compline

St. George's Episcopal Church 4715 Harding Road, Nashville, 37205

10/21 (Tuesday) — 7:30 PM

McAfee Organ Recital Judith Hancock, organist Union University 1050 Union University Drive Jackson, TN 38305

10/26 — 3:00 PM

Music City Baroque St. George's Episcopal Church 4715 Harding Road, Nashville, 37205

10/28 (Tuesday) — 8:00 PM

Halloween Movie Night Peter Kraninski, organist Schermerhorn Symphony Center 1 Symphony Place, Nashville 37201

NOVEMBER

11/2 - 3:30 PM

Solemn Choral Evensong, Benediction and Organ Concert for the Feast of All Saints Jason Overall, guest organist. Christ Church Cathedral Choir, Michael Velting, Canon for Music, Jon Johnson, Associate Organist and Choirmaster Christ Church Cathedral 900 Broadway, Nashville 37203

11/2 — 5:00 PM

All Saints' Day Concert Brahms, *A German Requiem* (sung in English) Immanuel Baptist Church 222 Belle Meade Blvd, Nashville 37205 Immanuel Baptist Church Choir and small orchestra

11/2 - 5:00 PM

Three Choirs Festival Evensong for All Saints St. George's Episcopal Church 4715 Harding Road, Nashville, 37205 St. George's Choir, Choristers and Lay Clerks of St. George's and Sanctuary Choir of West End United Methodist Church

11/2 — 7:00 PM

A Service of Choral Evening Prayer for All Saints' Sunday Westminster Presbyterian Church, 3900 West End Ave, Nashville 37205 Music by Hallock, Wood, Hogan, Brahms, and Geraint Lewis Westminster Presbyterian Choir Dr. Polly Brecht, organist; Dr. John Semingson, conductor

11/3 (Monday) — 7:30 PM

AGO Organ Concert, Daryl Robinson, organist McAfee Concert Hall, Belmont University 2100 Belmont Blvd, Nashville 37203

11/16 — 4:00 PM

Joint Vespers Service with First Presbyterian Church to Celebrate the 200th Anniversary of the Church's Founding

Downtown Presbyterian Church 154 5th Ave N, Nashville, TN 37219

11/16 — 4:30 PM

Organ Concert on the Newly Renovated Instrument Belmont United Methodist Church 2007 Acklen Ave., Nashville 37212 Gayle Sullivan, organist

11/19 (Wednesday) — 9:15 PM

Compline

St. George's Episcopal Church 4715 Harding Road, Nashville, 37205

The complete arts calendar is available at our chapter website, <Nashvilleago.org>