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January Program...

Workshops Night & Used Music Sale

Monday, January 7

Brentwood United Methodist Church

309 Franklin Road, Brentwood, TN, 37027

Music Sale: 6:00 PM / Dinner: 6:30 PM

Program: 7:30 PM

Workshops:

- A. Story of the Disney Concert Hall Organ (DVD)
- B. The Alexander Technique (taught by Sally Ahner)
- C. Organ Repertoire: Favorite Five
(suggestions from Chapter members)

At Brentwood United Methodist Church:

Dinner is in the church gymnasium.

Alexander Technique (in gymnasium, where dinner is held) and **Organ Repertoire** (in church sanctuary) will be presented twice. The DVD of the Walt Disney Hall Organ is one hour in length. If you choose the video, you will not be able to attend the other workshops.

If you have not sent your "Favorite 5" organ list to Shannon Arnett, please do so today at sga7@bellsouth.net. Please let Donald Cornelius know about your used music, CD's and books at DECOrgan@aol.com.

Dinner reservations due by January 3.

Make your Reservations at www.nashvilleago.org by clicking on Dinner Reservations, or contact Linda Winters @ agodinner@gmail.com or 615-456-2065.

From the Dean

Dear Colleagues,

Like most of you, I'm a veteran; no, not of military service, but of creating, putting together, and handling the logistics of concerts and major musical events and services. I tip my hat to Jackson Schoos for arranging, conducting the choirs and orchestra, and bringing together all the disparate elements of our Christmas event at the Cathedral of the Incarnation on December 3. The concert was superb — a standing-room-only audience — with good fellowship and food at the dinner hour. The church's facility coordinator, Lindsey Stamps, offered expert and friendly assistance to us, as well. Thanks, thanks, thanks!

I'm excited about our January 7 meeting: our used music sale and workshops night. I've been buying organ music for years and years, but I still manage to pick up a few pieces at the sale. Have you set aside your contributions? Donald Cornelius DECOrgan@aol.com or 615-352-0293 is the instigator of the sale and the one to call. CDs, books, and the like are OK contributions, as well.

One of the best things we can do for our colleagues is to share repertoire ideas. One of the workshops is a "Favorite 5" where you can submit your favorite 5 (maybe 4 or 6) pieces for service playing. They can be tune-based or free

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January Arts

1/13 – 12:20 PM

Young Artist Concert

Carolyn Craig, Organist

First Presbyterian Church Sanctuary
4815 Franklin Rd., Nashville, 37220

1/13 – 3:00 PM

James Harrington, Baritone

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

Dean's Letter cont'd...

pieces, easy or hard, old or new, but pieces that you can recommend to our colleagues. My problem is that I have a list of about 20 pieces, so I'm trying to pare it down to just a few. Please send Shannon Arnett an e-mail—

sga7@bellsouth.net—with your faves! We also have two other classes at Brentwood UMC on January 7: the Alexander Technique and a video about the organ at the Walt Disney Hall in Los Angeles. Sally Ahner will present the class on the Alexander Technique, a way of learning how we can get rid of harmful tension in your body.

Like many of you, listening to the Service of Nine Lessons and Carols from King's College, Cambridge has been a part of my schedule before heading to play Christmas Eve services. Information about listening to the service is included in this newsletter. I thumbed through the program book, available online, and near the end is a note stating the Organ Scholar is our own Parker Ramsay. As you know this is an historic event for King's College with the first organist born outside the U.K. It's all so exciting! I'll be listening. I hope you encourage your choir and congregation to share this unique worship service, as well.

During this more-than-wonderful time of the year, I wish you the very best for a Merry Christmas, and may the expectations you have for the New Year be fulfilled.

Darryl Miller
Dean, Nashville Chapter

Member News

Hear our own student member, **Parker Ramsay**, on **December 24 at 9:00 AM (CST)**, as King's College Cambridge broadcasts *A Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols*. Nashville's classical station 91.1 will air the service as will the BBC on their website,

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p005ftyb>.

You can download the service booklet at

<http://www.kings.cam.ac.uk/files/services/festival-nine-lessons-2012.pdf>.

Parker, son of **Wes Ramsay** and **Carol McClure**, is the first American to hold the prestigious position of Senior Organ Scholar at King's College. The Nashville AGO Chapter is proud of you, Parker.

Open Position

Bellevue Presbyterian Church, Nashville, is looking for an organist and accompanist for one Sunday service, with two Wednesday night rehearsals. Please contact Brian Warford, Director of Music Ministries at Brianw@bellevuepres.org.