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Newsletter of the Greater Kansas City Chapter – AMERICAN GUILD OF ORGANISTS

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*Warmest Wishes
to Each of You
During this
Holiday Season!*



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JANUARY PROGRAM

Pedals, Pipes, and Pizza

Saturday, January 20, 2024

10:00 AM - 12:45 PM

Starting at:

**Southminster Presbyterian Church
6306 Roe Avenue
Prairie Village, KS 66208**

Ending at:

**Trinity Lutheran Church
5601 W 62nd St,
Mission, KS 66202**





photo identification: Robert Nicholls – workshop presenter

NOVEMBER PROGRAM REVIEWED

Robert Nicholls presented a workshop about Practical Skills for Improvisation to the Greater Kansas City Chapter at the Chapel of Park University in Parkville, Missouri on Monday November 20, 2023. The workshop was an interactive program including a collection of rudimentary to advanced training resource publications as recommended study materials. Individual console coaching was provided for each of the many chapter members who had requested to be coached by Mr. Nicholls. Robert is currently adjunct Professor of organ and harpsichord at the University of Evansville, in Evansville Indiana; also as Manager of the RSCM America Midwest Summer Choral Residency.

Norm Kinnaugh,
GKCAGO Chapter Reporter

GKCAGO 2023-2024 REMAINING PROGRAM YEAR

FEBRUARY 2024

Dr. Katie Webb in recital

Canon Musician at Trinity Cathedral, Portland, OR

Monday, Feb 19, 2024 6:15 PM dinner and program 7:30 PM

Visitation Parish, Kansas City, MO

MARCH 2024

Dr. Elisa Bickers in recital

Friday, March 1, 2024 7:00 pm

Village Presbyterian, Prairie Village, KS

Co-sponsored event with Village

as a part of the church's 75th Anniversary.

APRIL 2024

Silent Movie – Brett Valliant, organist

TBD

Location to be announced

MAY 2024

Bachathon XLV

Sunday, May 5, 2024 2:00 – 5:00 PM

Grace and Holy Trinity Cathedral, Kansas City, MO

JUNE 2024

Social Event - Food and fun

exploring the 34-rank house organ at Burkfarm

Monday, June 17, 2024 6:00 PM

ANNOUNCEMENTS

YOUR INPUT NEEDED: GKCAGO STRATEGIC PLANNING

The Greater Kansas City AGO chapter is exploring what our members value in our chapter. Your input is important as we plan future chapter endeavors. Please take five minutes to complete this survey: <https://forms.gle/JWHXPekEFEWb47zi7> If you have any questions, contact Membership Team Chair Nara Newcomer at membership@kicago.com

Baby Grand Piano

Free for the cost of moving to a good home. Very good condition Young Chang (est. 20 years old). Location next to Southminster Presbyterian Church. Contact Ann Martin AnnMartin002@yahoo.com

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SUBSTITUTES AVAILABLE

Substitutes listed are members of the local organ guild. The people who hold AGO certificates have passed requirements of the National American Guild of Organists for various levels of service playing and choral conducting. However, the GKAGO is not an endorsement agency for service provided by the persons listed here. To learn proficiency of substitutes, feel free to ask them for references. Feedback regarding the hiring of GKAGO substitutes is welcome and encouraged. Please send feedback to John Schaefer canon-john40@gmail.com.

Linda Mann, BME, SPC (Weddings/Funerals only)	organ, piano	816-353-4826, c. 816-289-9760
John Pitchford, MM, SPC	organ	913-663-3768 johnpitchford@kc.rr.com
John Schaefer, AAGO, Ch M	organ, piano, lit.	816-520-2084
Rachel Schulz	organ, piano, lit, choral	717-466-8080 rschulz@ku.edu

FAGO = Fellow certification | org = organist | lit = liturgical worship | dir = choral director | piano = pianist

The following also offer their services

Boyd Ahrens	org, lit	816-453-8406 boydlee@aol.com
Betty Bauer	org, lit	913-814-9021 hababab@earthlink.net
Alisa R. Carmichael, BM	org, piano	270-535-4881 charmichael.alisa@gmail.com
Stephanie Henry, DMA Choral	org, piano, dir, lit	816-678-6372 sahenry652@kc.rr.com
Sharon Hettinger, DMA	org, dir, lit, handbell	785-842-2053 slhett.sunflower.2016@gmail.com
Ronald Krebs, BM, MM	org, lit	785-843-2622 rkrebs@reuterorgan.com
Sarah Lyons, DMA	org, dir, lit, piano	309-333-8745 sarah.orr.lyons@gmail.com
Mark Pichowicz, CAGO	org, piano, choir dir. Avail June 17-Aug 20	trombal6@gmail.com
Ann Marie Rigler, DMA	org, lit	816-808-8663 amrwjc@gmail.com
Rachel Schulz	org, piano, lit, dir	717-466-8080 rschulz@ku.edu
Marilyn VanderLinden	org, lit	816-665-4441

UPCOMING CONCERTS

James Higdon, Faculty Recital

Monday, December 11, 2023 7:30 pm

Bales Organ Recital Hall

1600 Stewart Dr, Lawrence, KS, 66045

Dr. James Higdon is presenting a free faculty recital on November 10th featuring works by Leo Sowerby, Dan Locklair, and Samuel Barber.

Aidan Hill Senior Recital

Friday, December 15, 2023 7:30 pm

Bales Recital Hall

University of Kansas

1600 Stewart Drive, Lawrence, KS 66045

Aidan Hill, a senior undergraduate student of Dr. James Higdon at the University of Kansas, will present Olivier Messiaen's "Meditations sur le Mystère de la Sainte Trinité" in its entirety for his undergraduate senior recital. The cycle of Meditations is in 9 movements, meditating on the Holy Trinity with Messiaen's dazzling colors, birdsong, quotations of Gregorian chant, and Messiaen's own musical alphabet, the "langage communicable." A slideshow will accompany the performance as program notes to guide the listening experience. Free entry.

Jan Kraybill's 25th annual Super Bowl Sunday Organ Concert

Sunday, February 11, 2024 2:00 pm

Community of Christ Temple

201 S. River Blvd. Independence, MO 64055

Save the date! Jan's 25th annual concert on Super Bowl Sunday will celebrate Most Valuable Players of the organ world, and of course, our own Kansas City Chiefs. The venue will be Community of Christ Temple— where the very first SBS concert occurred 25 years ago. More details to come! The event is free and open to the public.

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