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# Bombarde



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## FROM THE DEAN

Chapter members,

What an interesting program year this was for our chapter. During this program year we presented: two live-only programs, four Zoom-only programs and five live / livestreamed programs. I know this summary, during a pandemic no less, is a real testament to the amazing members in our chapter.

I was so impressed, gladdened and relieved by the teamwork you all shared to adjust our program year, one month at a time. It has been my pleasure to serve our chapter again as dean. It is a real treat to be a part of such a strong chapter, I hope you all feel the same way. I am so glad for all of you. Geoff and his program planning committee have planned what promises to be another fantastic chapter program year. Our hope is that we can get back to holding a dinner also during our monthly meeting. Please plan to join us for the chapter picnic on June 7. There is lots more information in the newsletter, so please keep reading. Our new chapter officers and board members will start on July 1. The Bombarde will return on August 1.

Enjoy your summer!

Mike

## NEW CHAPTER MEMBER

Welcome to our new chapter member! We hope to engage with you soon at a chapter event.

Rex Ryan

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## CALENDAR 2021-2022

**Sunday, August 22, 2021, 2:00-5:00 pm**

**French Organ Music Festival IX**

Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception  
416 W. 12th St, KC MO

**Monday, September 20, 2021, 7:30 pm**

**Reuter in Recital**

St. Mark's Lutheran Church  
21155 College Blvd, Olathe, KS

**Thursday, October 7th, 2021, 8:00 pm**

**Olivier Latry in Recital**

Live Streamed from Bales Recital Hall, University of Kansas

**Sunday, November 14, 2021**

**Four hands, four feet, one console**

**Ann Marie Rigler and Melody Steed**

Venue details TBD

**Sunday, January 16, 2022, 5:00 pm**

**Behold the Star of Bethlehem**

St. Andrews Episcopal Church,  
6401 Wornall Terr, KC MO

**Sunday, February 13, 2022**

**David Briggs in Recital**

Grace Episcopal Cathedral  
Topeka, KS

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**Sunday, March 20, 2022**

**Pedals, Pipes, Pistons, and Perhaps Pizza**  
Venue details TBD

**Sunday, April 24, 2022**

**Music of Louis Vierne: Eric Plutz in Recital**  
Grace and Holy Trinity Cathedral  
415 W. 13th St, KC MO

**Sunday, May 1, 2022, 2:00-6:00 pm**

**Bach-a-Thon XLIII**  
Grace and Holy Trinity Cathedral  
415 W. 13th St, KC MO

**Monday, May 23, 2022, 7:30 pm**

**Hybrid Organ Demonstration**  
St. Thomas the Apostle  
12251 Antioch Rd  
Overland Park, KS

## BACHATHON XLII REVIEW



Our chapter presented the 42nd Bachathon, which was hosted by Village Presbyterian Church, on Sunday, May 2, 2021 from 2-5 pm. What a marvelous program this was! This event was presented live and via livestream and we hope you were able to enjoy it. Bachathon chair Lara West was assisted by Stephanie Henry as sub-chair. The picture displays Schola Cantorum performing, directed by Jackson Thomas and accompanied by the Kansas City Baroque Consortium. Chapter members in Schola include Danny Baker and John Schaefer. Chapter members performing as soloists include Elisa Bickers, Nicholas Good, Ruth Krusemark and Douglas O'Neill. Tyler Boehmer also performed as a soloist. Chapter members involved with other aspects of this program include Lynn Bratney, Mary Davis, Rick Deasley,

Ardeith Hopkins, Norm Kinnaugh, Debbie Lynch, Mike Maiden, Dan Madura, Tom Watgen and others. We will soon publicize when we have the video recordings from this event posted to our chapter YouTube channel. Many thanks to everyone that worked to create and present this amazing annual event celebrating the glorious music of J.S. Bach!

## MAY PROGRAM REVIEW

**Jacob Hofeling in Recital**

**Monday, May 17, 2021 7:30 PM**  
**Atonement Lutheran Church**

We hope you were able to join us, live or via livestream, for the Jacob Hofeling recital on Monday, May 17, 2021 at Atonement Lutheran Church. We enjoyed a wonderful program of music by Heinrich Reimann performed by our own chapter member Jacob Hofeling. Our thanks to Rick Deasley and Atonement for hosting us and providing the livestream. And thanks to Eman Chalshotori for the beautiful cello performance. The Kol Nidrei by Max Bruch as arranged by Reimann is such a moving piece of music and so beautiful. We will share the online location of the video from the livestream when it is available.

Our utmost thanks to Jacob. He is a prime example of the excellence young organists can contribute to the Guild. He served on the steering committee for an AGO National convention, he is on the executive committee of a local AGO chapter and he contributes to our local chapter with multiple performances including a full recital for a chapter meeting. What a blessing it is to have such wonderfully talented members like him in our chapter.



## JUNE PROGRAM

Chapter BYOE picnic

Monday, June 7 6:00 pm

Loose Park Shelter

5110 Wornall Rd KC MO

Our chapter will close out this program year with a BYOE, bring your own everything, picnic at the shelter at Loose Park. There is parking right in front of the shelter. We will have the shelter all of that day, so feel free to stop by anytime to take advantage of the park. Otherwise we will gather at 6 pm for some socialization and food under the shelter. You will need to bring everything you want for your picnic meal with you, the chapter will not provide anything for this event, other than the shelter. There are lots of tables in the shelter so we can space apart and be socially distanced. If you feel comfortable to get out in early June, please join us for some food, fun and fellowship! And remember to bring your food and drink to enjoy with us.



## PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT CORNER

Lessons for the New Organist at agohq.org number 17 is "Key Modulation When Why and How". Why? Key modulation is necessary and appropriate if there is a change in attitude, heart, or view in the text of the hymn. For example in a 5 stanza hymn the early stanzas may voice distress and then progress towards conviction, resolution, salvation or redemption. The easiest modulation is a "pivot modulation" or using a chord the 2 keys share in common to go from one to the other. Sometimes a longer modulation is needed,

for example in a procession of the choir, where it may take time for the choir to get to its destination for the final stanza. Fred demonstrates an expanded chromatic progression for the hymn "Praise to the Lord the Almighty." This lesson makes me realize I need to practice modulation more. Have a good summer.

Dan Cline

## TIME TO RENEW!

Renewal of Memberships the end of June for many of us, the end of June is the end of our yearly membership cycle. July 1 signals the beginning of the 2021-2022 program and membership year. With ONCARD, the cycle for membership has shifted for some of us, as the national program now utilizes a 12-month cycle from the time you join our group, or when you last renewed. The majority of our members are still on the July to June cycle. The national office sends out 2 reminders when your renewal date is approaching. Please renew when you get your notices! We are happy to have some more options for donating to our chapter this season. You can donate to specific programs such as Bachathon or French Festival. When you log on to renew, you will find a number of new donation options. You can also donate to just programs, or to the chapter itself. This is a bit different this year, but we are trying to make it easier for you to be more specific in your giving. We appreciate you very much, and hope this will be something you will make use of in helping our chapter with your donations. It appears that we will be able to gather for programs in the months ahead. Our new Dean has developed an ambitious program year, and we are optimistic we can attend most of the events in person! Please contact me if you have any questions about renewing your membership, or questions about our chapter. My thanks to all of you, our members, for your continued support of our chapter, your renewing of your membership, and your donations to our chapter to fund our many programs and concerts! I look forward to seeing you in the months ahead!

Boyd Ahrens  
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## THANK YOU FROM THE DEAN

I am so very thankful for the teamwork our chapter members provide. I have listed below all of our chapter members that played some part in this chapter program year. If I missed your name, I do apologize. Together we certainly achieve more. Your efforts are greatly appreciated!

Boyd Ahrens, Louise Ahrens, Danny Baker, William Baker, Betty Bauer, Michael Bauer, Elisa Bickers, Lynn Bratney, John Braum, Daniel Brown, Janet Bucher, Steve Burk, Daniel Cline, Nancy Custead, John Davies, Mary Davis, John Deahl, Rick Deasley, Nicholas Good, Kelly Ker Hackleman, Adriana Hawkins, Joshua Hearn, Kathy Hellwege, Stephanie Henry, James Higdon Jr., Robert Hobgood Jr., Jacob Hofeling, Ardeith Hopkins, Nan Hulett, Roseann Penner Kaufman, Norm Kinnaugh, Jan Kraybill, Ronald Krebs, Ruth Krusemark, Stephen Kucera, Deborah Lynch, Sarah Lyons, Daniel Madura, Michael Maiden, William McCandless, Paul Meier, Nara Newcomer, Gerald Oehring, Doug O'Neill, Mario Pearson, David Plumlee, Ann Posey, Michael Quimby, Nancy Ramirez, Dale Ramsey, Ann Marie Rigler, Pamela Robison, Keith Sandrock, Vaughn Scarcliff, John Schaefer, Brian Seever, Craig Smith, Ray Smith, Nancy Stankiewicz, Chloe Stodt, Kevin Vogt, Thomas Vozzella, Kenneth Walker, Carol Wallace, Thomas Watgen, Blake West, Lara West, Geoffrey Wilcken and Deborah Winter.

Thank you!!

Mike

## EVENTS OR ANNOUNCEMENTS:

### JAN KRAYBILL'S CONCERT RELEASE

June 20 at 4 pm

Grace Episcopal Cathedral  
701 SW 8th Ave, Topeka, KS

Please see the announcement from Pro Organo about the release of Jan Kraybill's newest CD recorded here at Grace Cathedral in Topeka. As a special offer to those able to attend Jan's Concert Release event here on June 20<sup>th</sup> at 4 p.m., you'll be able to purchase CDs that day only for just \$5 each! Come for the concert and buy your stocking stuffers.

Tickets at: [www.GreatSpaces.org](http://www.GreatSpaces.org)



## FAITH AND THE ARTS RETREAT WITH MICHAEL BAUER

St. Benedict Center

From **July 15-16**, Michael Bauer will lead a retreat at the St. Benedict Center in Schuyler, NE entitled *Faith and the Arts: A Creative Exploration*. This experiential course will explore the notion of arts ministry, and help participants understand this model of ministry through talks and worship services involving the fine arts in conjunction with discussions of the different issues involved in arts ministry. Michael Bauer is a professor of organ and church music at the University of Kansas, where he teaches courses about the Judeo-Christian tradition and the arts. He is also the organist/choirmaster at St. Andrews Episcopal Church in Omaha. Bauer has founded and directed three church arts ministries, and is the author of *Arts Ministry: Nurturing the Creative Life of God's People*. To register for this event, go to:

<https://christthekingpriory.com/retreats-schedule/faith-and-the-arts-a-creative-exploration-michael-bauer-dma> If you have further questions, contact Michael Bauer at: [mbauer@ku.edu](mailto:mbauer@ku.edu) or the Saint Benedict Center at: 402.352.8819

## PUBLICITY CHAIR NEEDED

The chapter is in need of a volunteer to serve as Publicity chair for the 2021-22 program year that begins July 1. The publicity chair works to send out emails with details of our upcoming chapter programs to various publications usually a few weeks prior to each event. This chair will work with the dean to gather program details, and with the communications committee chair to get program details posted on various websites, in addition to sending out the publicity emails. All of this is documented within a process document that is available upon request. If you can spare a couple of hours each month during the program year to send out a few emails we would love to hear from you. If you have interest in this position or have any questions please reach out to [dean@kcago.com](mailto:dean@kcago.com).

*Announcements and Events, continued***FREE CHOIR ROBES**

38 free choir robes with reversible stoles – excellent condition, machine washable. One robe with Velcro sleeves for director or organist. I will deliver in the KC area, or you can come get them. Two racks to hold them: \$40 for both racks.

**PIPE ORGAN ENCOUNTER**

The Kansas State University-Manhattan Chapter of the American Guild of Organists will present a Pipe Organ Encounter at First Presbyterian Church on June 21 -26, 2021. For complete details refer to [ksupoe.weebly.com](http://ksupoe.weebly.com).

**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 [canonjohn40@gmail.com](mailto:canonjohn40@gmail.com).

***These substitutes have passed various levels of AGO certification requirements :***

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**THE GKAGO CHORAL LENDING LIBRARY**

Among the numerous anthems donated to GKAGO by Eugene Butler, I have a score and parts for his cantata: *When Lilacs Last in the Dooryard Bloom'd*. It is in manuscript, unpublished, and was performed at UMKC in October of 1973. If anyone is interested, contact me.

Stephanie Henry

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**BOMBARDE NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS**

Deadline for submissions is the **20th of each month** for the next month's edition. All submissions must be sent to the editor at [bombarde@kcago.com](mailto:bombarde@kcago.com). No other email addresses, please. **A reminder, there is no published chapter newsletter in July. We will resume with our next edition on August 1, 2021. Enjoy your summer until then.**

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