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# Bombarde



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

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## FROM THE DEAN

From the Dean:

We have had a very exciting month! Earlier some of us were able to join in celebrating the 25th anniversary of Bales Organ Recital Hall on the campus of the University of Kansas. And for November we have a special program to look forward to: “In All Things Give Thanks”, an assembly of musical reflections on gratitude and joy, including several member performances, a premiered work by our own Kurt Knecht, and an appearance by the Lawrence Community Handbell Choir.

It was my privilege to be a part (a very minor part!) of the special called meeting of the chapter Board on Saturday the 23rd, considering proposals to help our board function more efficiently and transparently. Look for more information to come; these are exciting times!

As we approach the oncoming expanse of holidays and holiday-related preparations and duties, I wish you all a strong central core of peace and joy—strong enough to withstand the multitudinous pressures on us all but still soft enough to be touched by the wonder of the gifts of living, of love, and of music.

Geoff  
2021-2022 Dean

## GREATER KANSAS CITY CHAPTER AGO 2021-2022 PROGRAM YEAR

**Sunday, November 14, 2021, 5:00 pm**  
**Organ and Instrumental Music** (see page 3)  
St. Paul’s Episcopal Church  
40th and Main, KC MO

**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

**Sunday, March 27, 2022, 2:00-5:00 pm**  
**Pedals, Pipes, Pistons, and Perhaps Pizza**  
Southminster Presbyterian Church  
6306 Roe Ave, Prairie Village, KS 66208

**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

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## GKCAGO: A NEW STRUCTURE!

At the October 23, 2021 Special Called Board Meeting, those GKCAGO Board members present, who constituted a quorum, unanimously approved the Board Restructuring Motions put forth by the Operating Procedures Board Restructuring Committee. Transitional implementation of this new GKCAGO Board structure will begin on January 1, 2022. Highlights of the new GKCAGO Board Structure moving forward are –

### **ELEVEN ELECTED GKCAGO Board members:**

**Five Officers:** Dean, Sub-Dean, Treasurer, Secretary, Registrar; elected for TWO-YEAR terms in ODD NUMBERED YEARS (elected for transitional ONE-YEAR term in 2022)

**Six Team Leaders:** Education, Program, Membership, Administration, Finance, Information; elected for TWO-YEAR terms in EVEN NUMBERED YEARS

Bi-Monthly Board meetings in odd-numbered months

Bi-Monthly Team meetings in even-numbered months, as appropriate/necessary

Current Committee Chairs now referred to as “Team Members”

Team Leaders are liaisons between teams/committees and the Board

“Strategic Planning” Committee with defined role description replaces “Long Range Planning” Committee

Finance Team replaces Finance and Investment Advisory Committees

Interim Team Leaders appointed (1/1/22 – 6/30/22), who may stand for election in April

At the November 13<sup>th</sup> Board meeting, revised DRAFT GKCAGO Operating Procedures will be discussed and voted upon by all current GKCAGO Board members in attendance. Following that meeting, ALL CHAPTER MEMBERS are asked to WATCH FOR additional Email blasts, kcago.com postings, and the December Edition of *Bombarde* for more restructuring details!!

--Chloe Stodt, Operating Procedures Committee Chair

## NEW CHAPTER MEMBERS

Welcome to our new and returning chapter members. We are excited to have you in our chapter! Please join us at an upcoming chapter event. For any questions or comments please send an email to [dean@kcago.com](mailto:dean@kcago.com). And be sure to check out our chapter website at [kcago.com](http://kcago.com).

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November, 2021



*Please join the Greater Kansas City Chapter of the American Guild of Organists for a concert featuring organ and instrumental music in gratitude, praise, and thanksgiving in memory of those we have lost, our veterans, and the abundant harvest we share with one another.*

**Sunday, November 14, 2021 | 5 p.m.**

**St. Paul's Episcopal Church**  
*located at the corner of 40th and Main  
in Kansas City, Missouri*

## EVENTS OR ANNOUNCEMENTS

### SCHOLARSHIP FUND IN MEMORY OF LEONA

The Kansas City Music Foundation has established a Scholarship Fund in memory of Leona Schaefer. The fund will benefit area college students through the Kansas City Alumnae Chapter of Sigma Alpha Iota. To learn more about the Scholarship Fund please contact Lisa Shepard, president of the Foundation, at [pi-sceschick@kc.rr.com](mailto:pi-sceschick@kc.rr.com). To contribute directly send a check to the Kansas City Musical Foundation c/o Pamela Pendergast 4920 W. 69<sup>th</sup> St. Prairie Village KS 66208.



The Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception  
*Invites you to attend*  
 The 14th Annual St. Cecilia Music Festival



*An afternoon of instrumental and vocal music performances  
 and singing hymns of faith.*

Sunday, November 14, 2021 at 3:00 pm

*(Free Will Donations)*

416 West Twelfth Street, Kansas City, MO 64105  
 on the corner of Broadway & 11th in downtown  
[www.kcgolddome.org](http://www.kcgolddome.org)

### NEW COMPOSITION BY MEMBER FR. KEITH BRANSON:

**REQUIEM 2020** is an impressive monodrama for solo and choir.

The Libretto can be found:

[https://  
 homiliesandstray-  
 thoughts.wordpress.com/2021/08/07/requiem-  
 2020-a-libretto/](https://homiliesandstray-thoughts.wordpress.com/2021/08/07/requiem-2020-a-libretto/)

A fine performance can be found on YouTube:  
[https://www.youtube.com/watch?  
 v=KkUDnJSihtU&list=PLdH1lpJWldFZsREOUG03i  
 Vuc1kHDHR1Wr&index=1](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KkUDnJSihtU&list=PLdH1lpJWldFZsREOUG03iVuc1kHDHR1Wr&index=1)

Fr. Keith says he would love see it performed in Kansas City and would be willing to make adjustments to the score for performance resources. Further inquiries may be made by contacting him: [kbcpps@gmail.com](mailto:kbcpps@gmail.com)

## BOMBARDE NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS

Deadline for submissions to the newsletter 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.

Please remember that the official name of our AGO chapter is the Greater Kansas City Chapter. For any publications, notifications, email or anywhere you reference our chapter please use our full chapter name: Greater Kansas City Chapter of The American Guild of Organists. And when you need to abbreviate please use: GKCAGO. Thanks for your attention to this detail.



French pedalboard without low C#. 1772, Jean-Baptiste Micot père & fils, Saint-Pons-de-Cimiez à Saint-Pons-de-Thomières. Photo: Finoskov. Shared via Creative Commons Attribution-Share Alike 3.0 Unported license.

## 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 GKCAGO 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

Mary Bronaugh Davis, MA, CAGO	organ	816-436-1419, c. 816-456-0343
Barbara Eichenberger, BM, CAGO	organ, piano	816-568-3873 <a href="mailto:musicaltouch36@gmail.com">musicaltouch36@gmail.com</a>
Stephen Kucera, CAGO, BM	organ, piano, lit.	913-568-3873 <a href="mailto:skkansas@gmail.com">skkansas@gmail.com</a>
Linda Mann, BME, SPC (Weddings/ Funerals only)	organ, piano	816-353-4826, c. 816-289-9760
John Pitchford, MM, SPC	organ	913-663-3768 <a href="mailto:johnpitchford@kc.rr.com">johnpitchford@kc.rr.com</a>
John Schaefer, AAGO, Ch M	organ, piano, lit.	816-520-2084

*SPC = service playing certificate | CAGO = Colleague certification | AAGO = Associate certification | FAGO = Fellow certification | org = organist | lit = liturgical worship | dir = choral director | piano = pianist*

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Steve Burk	organ, lit, dir, handbells	785-331-7640 ssmkburk@gmail.com
Alisa R. Carmichael, BM	organ, piano	270-535-4881_charmichael.alisa@gmail.com
Doris Daniels	organ, lit	816-431-3244
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Marilyn VanderLinden	organ, lit	816-665-4441

**The following also offer their services.**

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