

THE NASHVILLE CHAPTER OF THE AMERICAN GUILD OF ORGANISTS

DECEMBER 2011



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NEW! Nashville 2012 National Convention live website and registration available at: ago2012.org

December Dinner and Program

Monday, December 5, 7:30 PM (Dinner at 6:30)

Belmont United Methodist Church

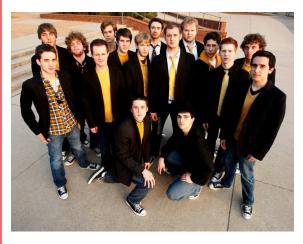
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Convention Update & Celebration!

plus... Entertainment from the

VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY 'MELODORES'



Dinner Menu:

Dijon Pork Loin Vegetable medlev Mixed Greens salad Chocolate cream pie

Herb polenta Sautéed spinach Almond joy cake

Dinner reservations due by December 1.

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

December Arts

(additional details on the website)

12/3 - 7:00 PM

Nashville Chamber Singers

First Presbyterian Church Nashville

12/4 - 3:00 PM

Advent Vespers/Lessons & Carols St. George's Episcopal

Cathedral of the Incarnation

12/4/11 - 4:00 PM

Music for Advent

West End United Methodist

12/5 - 7:30 PM

Messiah Sing-in & More

Music City Baroque

Christ Church Cathedral

12/6 - 7:30 PM

Nashville Chamber Singers

St. Paul's Episcopal

Murfreesboro

12/9 - Noon to 12:30 PM

Schola Pacis

Downtown Presbyterian

12/11 - 2:00 PM

Christmas Concert

First Presbyterian, Nashville

12/11 - 4:00 PM

Festival of Lessons & Carols

Christ Church Cathedral

12/11 - 6:00 PM

Festival of Nine Lessons & Carols

12/11 - 5:30 PM

Candlelighting Service

West End United Methodist

12/14 - 7:00 PM

Nashville Unlimited

Benefit Concert for Room In the Inn

Christ Church Cathedral

\$20 suggested donation at door

12/18 - 2:00 PM

Isabelle Demers, Organist

Schermerhorn Symphony Center

12/18 - 7:00 PM

Feast of Lights & Carol Service

Belmont United Methodist

12/24 - 10:30 PM

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St. George's Episcopal

OPEN POSITION:

CATHOLIC CHAPEL, MARY QUEEN OF ANGELS, located at St. Mary Villa on White Bridge Road, Nashville, is looking for an organist for Sunday Mass at 10:00 AM each week, with occasional special Masses. No scheduled rehearsals (no choir). Please contact Greg Mueller at 615-356-4153 or 615-202-5178 (cell) or by email at ControlsGuv@att.net to learn further details.



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Dear friends,

It's hard to believe that December is fast upon us, and for most, there is no stopping until after Christmas. Part of this reality set in when I heard the program sung by the Belmont University Chorale. I enjoyed hearing a diverse program which especially incorporated some very familiar Advent and Christmas texts arranged by new and unfamiliar composers, at least to me. I'm always excited to see and hear students who are truly exuberant and passionate about making great choral music. I commend Dr. Ames for his good work and rapport with the Chorale. I would like to thank Eric Wyse, Director of Music and Organist at St. Bartholomew's, for hosting our program, and the caterer for the delicious meal provided.

I know that December presents it's own challenges with the sheer amount of concerts and services; however, please make a concerted effort to come to the last AGO program of 2011. It will be on Monday, December 5th, at Belmont United Methodist Church at 6:30 pm. The "Convention Update" will be the last one before the 2012 AGO convention. If you've not already checked out the official convention website, www.ago2012.org, I implore you to do so. Members of the steering committee will unveil the final contents of the convention, and they will give us a grand overview of what will surely be a most notable convention. This AGO program will serve as a "celebration" of what has been several years of planning since the inception of the Nashville convention. As part of our celebration, during dinner, we will be entertained by the emerging male vocal ensemble, the Vanderbilt University Melodores. They will sing some holiday selections in addition to some of their personal favorites. You can check them out on www.youtube.com and search for "Vanderbilt University Melodores."

Moreover, if you've not yet signed up, you will be asked by Julia Callaway and Jere Adams to volunteer for a task to help with the convention. I'm told that the task could be as little as just making one phone call. The goal is that everyone present on December 5th will sign up to volunteer. No matter how small or large the task, anything we all do will help to lighten the load and make this convention a great success! I urge everyone in the Nashville Chapter to come out on December 5th.

Yours,

Jon Johnson Dean, Nashville Chapter AGO



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DECEMBER MEMBERSHIP NEWS



We express our condolences to **Don Marler** in the loss of his mother-in-law.

Congratulations to **Dr. Michael Velting**, who will be installed as Canon for Music at Christ Church Cathedral during the 11:00 AM Liturgy on Sunday, December 4.

New Member (welcome!):

Julia Danielle Elliston 236 Blackman Road Nashville, TN 37211 615-332-8938 stringsjazzer@yahoo.com Yearbook updates:

Lisa Barry 570 Church Street East, # 1108 Brentwood, TN 37027

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Melvin Potts

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From the Membership Chair:

Current Nashville Chapter Membership: 225 (11 new members)