



**Utah Valley Chapter of the American Guild of Organists
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Important Message

Miranda Wilcox

Dear Friends,

I hope you and your families are staying healthy and sane during this unusual summer.

I would like to invite our chapter community to thank the 2018-2020 chapter board members, especially Lori Serr for her excellent leadership as dean. Send good karma their way for their dedication and service to our chapter.

I am pleased to announce the 2020-2022 chapter board

members. Many thanks to Mike Carson for facilitating this transition.

Dean: Miranda Wilcox
Sub-dean: Heidi Rodeback
Secretary: Dorothy Jensen
Treasurer: David Chamberlin
Newsletter Editor: Mike Carson
Webmaster: DeeAnn Stone
Photographer: Kari Nay
Membership Coordinator: Ruth Ann Hay
Education Coordinator: Jennifer Morgan
Social Media Coordinator: Glen Hicks
Hospitality: Margo Wilcox
BYU Student Representative: TBA
Members-at-Large: Neil Harmon, Lella Pomeroy, Lori Serr, Jack Stoneman, Ruth Eldredge Thomas

Planning chapter events in the midst of a pandemic will stretch our creativity and ingenuity. If you have suggestions for organ-related activities that accommodate social distancing guidelines, please send me an email: mirandawilcox96@gmail.com.

It is an honor to accept the invitation to serve as dean. Twelve years ago, I joined the faculty of the English Department at BYU to teach medieval literature. As a break from academic pressures, I studied organ with Don Cook. Don invited me to UVAGO activities, joking that one day I would become chapter dean. I thought

that was a crazy idea, but I was hungry for social interaction. Chapter members kindly welcomed a fellow organ lover, and friendships have blossomed over the years, as I have served on chapter boards as secretary, newsletter editor, and sub-dean. My story is testament that every organist enthusiast is welcome in our chapter.

I hope that the new board will continue the chapter's legacy of supporting and enhancing all of our chapter members' engagement with the organ.

Be well,
Miranda

We Value Your Membership

The chapter appreciates your continued support of its mission to "engage, support, and uplift every organist." If you already have a membership, you may receive an email reminder when it is time to renew it. Your contributions enhance the chapter's ability to sponsor monthly organ events each year, including Super Saturday. Please reflect on how your associations in the guild have supported and uplifted you, and consider joining or renewing today!.

[Learn How](#)

2020 BYU Organ Workshop

This Year's Workshop Will Be Online!



No lines. No travel expenses. No crowded classrooms. Instead, participate from the comfort of your high-speed-internet-enabled locations. The workshop will take place August 4-6, 2020 (Tuesday through Thursday). Here are some of the highlights:

- Over 80 classes and events (click [here](#) to see the schedule)
- Easily connect by clicking links we will provide
- Use your laptop, desktop, or notebook computers, or smartphone (video and audio enabled)
- Tracks of classes at Beginning Organ, Experienced Organ, and Advanced levels
- A special Youth Track (age 12-18)
- Virtual Organ Crawls
- An Instructors Recital
- A “Hymn Play” by workshop instructors
- Three to six levels of instruction on these topics:
 - Music Theory
 - Organ Technique and Repertoire
 - Organ Registration
 - Hymn Playing
- Interactive Question/Answer sessions
- Classes on other interesting organ-related topics
- Classes in live/interactive and pre-recorded formats, as best suits the topic
- One free “Supervised Practice” session. Submit a five-minute “Practice” and

- receive comments via collabramusic.com
- Schedule online private lessons (for adults only) with your choice of workshop instructors (available Mon. through Fri., August 3-7, \$60 per 50-minute lesson)

Those who register for the Organ Workshop Online (\$100 per person) will have *exclusive access* to all events during the workshop.

[Click Here to Register!](#)

Or register by phone at 877-221-6716 weekdays between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. mountain time, excluding holidays.



Monthly Newsletter
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*It's getting hot out there! **Stay cool** and engaged through our social media! Keep*

reading and **find out** what we have in store for you this month.

26th Season *Replay*

Have you subscribed already to our awesome **YouTube Channel**? There are already **more than 20 recordings** from the past season waiting for you, and **new recordings** are being uploaded **every Saturday**. If you are not a subscriber, click this blue button now... **It's free!**

[Subscribe today!](#)

This Month's Selection

June 6

Johann Sebastian Bach (transcription by André Isoir)

Aria from the Suite in D

performed by Michel Bouvard

June 13

Neils Gade

Allegretto and **Allegro con fuoco**, from Tre Tonestykker Op 22

performed by Neil Harmon

June 20

Healey Willan

Introduction, Passacaglia and Fugue Op. 149

performed by Benjamin Sheen

June 27

Felix Mendelssohn

Overture to St. Paul

performed by Amanda Mole

Have you missed last month's selection?

[Click here](#)

for a complete list of available recordings.

Moments of Prayer and Organ Music

A **few minutes** of Organ Music, Prayer and Visual Arts presented weekly by Cathedral of the Madeleine Organist Gabriele Terrone, on **Instagram** and **YouTube**. Join and enjoy!



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Previous Moments include...

Maurice Duruflé, Choral Varié sur le thème du Veni Creator
Johann Sebastian Bach, Prelude and Fugue in G Major BWV 541
Adolphe Marty, Grand Choer pour l'Ascension
Léon Boëllmann, Prière a Notre Dame

[Click Here for the Complete Playlist!](#)

COVID Resources from National AGO

During these times of uncertainty, the American Guild of Organists remains dedicated to the needs of our members and fulfilling our vision; to engage, support, and uplift every organist. It is our mission to foster a thriving community of musicians who share their knowledge and inspire passion for the organ. Now more than ever, we understand the importance of strengthening our wonderful organization by providing much needed benefits to all our members.

As a result, the AGO has compiled some valuable resources for musicians and teachers who are experiencing reduced income and/or the need to adapt to a new, virtual world due to the Coronavirus Pandemic: <https://www.agohq.org/responding-to-covid-19/>. This page is frequently updated with helpful information, so we encourage you to check it often.

Did You Miss It?

The chapter's Bach Birthday Recital, previously scheduled for March 20, 2020, was moved online. Listen to the performances at uvago.org.



[Bach Recital](#)

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