

# FANFARE NEWSLETTER INDIANAPOLIS CHAPTER AMERICAN GUILD OF ORGANISTS

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### A MESSAGE FROM THE DEAN

Dear Fellow Guild Members,

I love the organ.

It's an unusual love to profess in this day and age, but I know you feel the same. The organ is marvelous — the "King of Instruments" as Mozart put it — and I feel privileged to play it. Organists have an incredible repertoire at our fingertips, written for an instrument of great color and power. Our lives, our churches, and our synagogues would not be the same without the organ and its music.

I've lived in Indiana for only five years, but during that time I've met some very talented musicians and heard many different instruments. Indiana is truly a wonderful place to explore the organ and its repertoire. Our chapter, and your generous support of it, are a key part of this. In the upcoming year, I look forward to continuing to share our love of the organ and its music with one another and with young people who may be encountering the instrument for the first time.

Promoting the organ is one of the key missions of the Guild, and I hope we can rededicate ourselves to this effort. In particular, our chapter's PipeWorks program has been a model for the national Guild membership. As you continue to give of your time and your resources this year, I hope you will consider this program.

I also invite you to take advantage of the numerous opportunities for support, inspiration, and education arranged by the executive committee.

David Higgs, Professor of Organ at the Eastman School of Music in Rochester, New York, will be in town this month to give a recital and a master-class. I look forward to seeing many of you there!

Please don't hesitate to contact me with ideas, questions or concerns.

Your Dean,  
David Sinden  
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October Newsletter Deadline — Tuesday, September 15, 2009



# DAVID HIGGS

*One of America's Premier Concert Organists.*

**Performing  
in  
Concert**

**Friday  
September 18, 2009  
7:30m PM**



**East 91st Street Christian Church**

6049 East 91st Street  
Indianapolis, Indiana

[www.indyago.org](http://www.indyago.org)

**Admission \$15, Students \$10**

Dinner 6:30 p.m.

David Higgs Artist Recital 7:30 p.m.

East 91st Street Christian Church  
[6049 E 91st St, Indianapolis, IN  
46250](http://6049 E 91st St, Indianapolis, IN 46250)

(Directions: 1/2 mile north of Castle-  
ton Square Mall; Exit I-465 at the  
Allisonville Road exit, go north on  
Allisonville about 1/2 mile to the  
stoplight at East 91st Street. Turn  
right onto East 91st Street. Proceed  
about 1/2 mile and the church will  
be on your right.)

The dinner and chapter meeting will  
be held in the Friendship Room at  
East 91st Street Christian Church.

Dinner provided by California Con-  
nection Catering

Menu: Grilled Ham Steak w/Gin-  
ger Pineapple Salsa, Tuscan Grilled  
Chicken Salad, Oven Roasted Red  
Potatoes, Apple Cider Glazed Car-  
rots and Water or Iced Tea

The cost for the meal is \$12. Reserva-  
tions due by 10:00 p.m. Friday, Sep-  
tember 11th.

Make your reservations by contact-  
ing Sub-Dean Chris Schroeder at  
[cschroeder@broadwayumc.org](mailto:cschroeder@broadwayumc.org) or  
(317) 924-4207, extension 31.

### The following people have Perma- nent Dinner Reservations:

Steven Giovangelo, John Goulding,  
Dorothy Huffman, Steven Jamison,  
Tom Maxam, Keith Mikesell, Tim  
Needler, Tom Nichols, Todd Saul,  
Chris Schroeder, John Seest, David  
Sinden, Addie Yoder

## Masterclass with David Higgs

Saturday, September, 19, 2009,  
9:30 a.m.

We are looking for five to six  
people to play for Dr. Higgs the  
morning after his concert at East  
91stStreetChristianChurch.Ifyou  
are willing to play, please contact,  
our Sub-dean, Chris Schroeder:  
[cschroeder@broadwayumc.org](mailto:cschroeder@broadwayumc.org)

### PROGRAM

David Higgs, organ

**Fantasia & Fugue in G minor,**  
BWV 542  
J.S. Bach

**Sacred Sounds for Organ**  
George Shearing  
*There is a Happy Land*  
*I Love Thee, My Lord*

**Choral No. 2 in B minor**  
César Franck

**Variations de Concert**  
Joseph Bonnet

**Sonate No. 1 in F**  
Felix Mendelssohn Bartholdy  
*Allegro moderato e serioso*  
*Adagio*  
*Andante recitativo*  
*Allegro assai vivace*

**Harmonies du Soir, Op. 72 No. 1**  
Sigfrid Karg-Elert

**Boléro de Concert**  
Louis James Alfred Lefébure-Wely

**Prelude and Fugue on B-A-C-H**  
Franz Liszt



## One of America's Premier Concert Organists, David Higgs, Performs in Concert at East 91st Street Christian Church

David Higgs, one of America's premier concert organists and Chair of the Organ Department at the Eastman School of Music, will perform in concert at East 91st Street Christian Church, 6049 East 91st Street, on Friday, September 18th at 7:30 p.m. His performance on the 4-manual, 102-rank Schantz pipe organ, Indiana's largest pipe organ, is the first in a series of concerts to be presented during the 2009-2010 season by the Indianapolis Chapter of the American Guild of Organists.

David Higgs, Chair of the Organ Department at the Eastman School of Music, performs extensively throughout the United States and abroad, and has inaugurated many important new instruments including: St. Stephan's Cathedral, Vienna; the Meyerson Symphony Center, Dallas; St. Alban's Cathedral, England; St. Canice's Cathedral, Kilkenny, Ireland; and the Church of St. Ignatius Loyola in New York City. Higgs also performs, teaches, and adjudicates at festivals and competitions throughout the world.

A native of New York City, Mr. Higgs held his first position as a church organist at age ten. As a teenager he performed classical music as well as rock, gospel, and soul music. He earned his Bachelor and Master of Music degrees at the Manhattan School of Music, and the Performer's Certificate from the Eastman School of Music. In New York City, he was Director of Music and Organist at Park Avenue Christian Church, and later Associate Organist of the Riverside Church, where he also conducted the Riverside Choral Society.

Moving to San Francisco in 1986, he became Director of Music and Organist at St. Mark's Episcopal Church in Berkeley, Director of Church Music Studies at the Church Divinity School of the Pacific in Berkeley, and Organist/Choir Director at Temple Emanu-El San Francisco. He was appointed to the faculty of the Manhattan School of Music upon graduation from that institution, and was later the Director of Church Music Studies at the Church Divinity School of the Pacific in Berkeley. He was appointed to the faculty of the Eastman School of Music in 1992, and since that time his students have won prestigious competitions and hold many of the top positions in leading institutions in the United States.

Mr. Higg's performance is presented by the Indianapolis Chapter of the American Guild of Organists and the Music and Fine Arts Department of East 91st Street Christian Church. Admission is \$15 on the day of the concert, students \$10. Advance tickets are \$12 (adult) and \$5 (student). Order forms can be obtained at [www.indyago.org](http://www.indyago.org). Proceeds go toward educational programs of the Indy AGO.

## New Members

We welcome the following new members into our chapter. Their full information will appear in the Chapter Yearbook which will be available at our October meeting.

David Brickley  
Jo Brickley  
Cynthia Crawford  
Robert Stump  
Gregory Voshell  
John M. Wright  
Chris Young (dual - Bloomington chapter)

## AGO Exam Update

CONGRATULATIONS to Keith Mikesell and Richard Perry for successfully passing the Colleague certification exam (CAGO) in June. If AGO members would like to take any of the four levels of certification (Service Playing, CAGO, AAGO, or FAGO) this year, please e-mail Chuck Goehring at [goehringc@sbcglobal.net](mailto:goehringc@sbcglobal.net).

## Organ Updated

The Wicks organ company recently rebuilt the console and installed new relays at First Presbyterian Church in Princeton, IN, and finished last month. They retained the existing pipes, chest and façade.

David K. Lamb, CAGO, will play a recital on Wicks Opus 2126, 1963 on Sunday, September 27, 2009, 3 p.m. CST



## 2009-2010 INDIANAPOLIS AGO MONTHLY PROGRAMS

<b>Date</b>	<b>Time: Dinner / Program</b>	<b>Program</b>	<b>Location</b>
Friday, Sept 18, 2009	6:30 / 7:30 p.m.	David Higgs Artist Recital	East 91 <sup>st</sup> St. Christian Church
Saturday, Sept 19, 2009	9:30 a.m.	David Higgs Masterclass	East 91 <sup>st</sup> St. Christian Church
Tuesday, Oct 13, 2009	6:30 / 7:30 p.m.	PipeWorks presentation	Broadway United Methodist Church
Tuesday Nov 3, 2009	6:30 / 7:30 p.m.	Open Console 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. Wicks presentation on recently restored instrument	Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic, Irvington
Sunday, Nov 22, 2009	none / 5:00 p.m.	Mason Copeland – winner Indianapolis Chapter RYCO Competition March 2009	Episcopal Church of All Saints
Sunday, Dec 13, 2009	none / 2:30 p.m.	Joint Indy AGO/CIC-ATOS meeting - Mark Herman, artist	Warren Performing Arts Center
Monday, Jan 4, 2010		Epiphany Party: 6:00 p.m. cocktails; 7:00 p.m. dinner	Home of Tim Needler
Sunday, Feb 14, 2010	none / 3:00 p.m.	Pipe Organ Festival	St. Luke's United Methodist Church
Tuesday, Mar 9, 2010	6:30 / 7:30 p.m.	"Calvin Hampton: Repertoire for Concert and Liturgy" with Michael Messina/John Cummins	Trinity Episcopal Church
Apr TBA	TBA	Jeffrey Smith Improvisation Presentation	Christ Church Cathedral
Friday, May 7, 2010	6:45 business meeting / 7:30 p.m.	Janette Fishell, Artist Recital Officer installation at intermission	St. Paul's Episcopal Church

## Jeffrey Smith named Interim Organist and Choirmaster at Christ Church Cathedral



Starting in the beginning of August, Jeffrey Smith will be the Cathedral's new Interim Organist and Choirmaster. Jeffrey comes to us following an already successful run at Grace Cathedral in San Francisco, California, where he served as Canon Director of Music. Among his many duties included teaching at the Cathedral School for Boys; coordinating and directing musical events for diocesan events; directing cathedral voluntary choirs; planning and conducting all concerts, tours, and recordings of the cathedral choirs. Smith also has experience with choir tours, with a CD recording in 2007 and choir tour in 2007 including liturgical performances at Westminster Abbey, Chartres Cathedral and Notre Dame de Paris.

We will be sharing Smith with the Jacobs School of Music at Indiana University, Bloomington who will join the Jacobs faculty roster as a visiting associate professor in the fall of 2009.

The Jacobs School is one of the most comprehensive and acclaimed institutions for the study of music, in educating performers, scholars, and music educators who influence music performance and education around the globe.

Smith's choral and organ disks on the Pro Organo label have been praised, and he has been on NPR and BBC Radio as a critical commentator.

From 1992 to 2004, Smith served as music director of St. Paul's Parish, K Street, Washington, D.C., where he directed an extensive program of liturgical music with at least three choral services weekly, year-round, and daily rehearsals; re-founded the Men and Boys Choir to sing weekly Choral Evensong; stabilized the semi-professional Parish Choir; founded the Girls Choir to sing weekly Sung Mass; founded an annual Choir Camp for choristers; instituted "The Art of the Choir" concert series; and oversaw performances at the Kennedy Center and Washington National Cathedral.

Before his time in Washington, D.C., Smith was the organist-choirmaster of Christ Church Cathedral in Lexington, Kentucky.

Smith is active in the work of the Royal School of Church Music and the Association of Anglican Musicians.

Smith won highest honors in receiving the Fellowship of the American Guild of Organists. He was awarded the Fellowship of the Royal School of Church Music in a ceremony at York Minster in June 2004. He is also a member of the Association of Anglican Musicians and has been a featured artist at numerous AAM conferences.

We are extremely pleased and delighted to be able to welcome such an accomplished Organist and Choirmaster as our Interim. We look forward to getting to know Jeffrey better as he arrives at the Cathedral at the beginning of August.

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## Theatre Organ Concert

CIC-ATOS is presenting Martin Ellis in concert on the large Wurlitzer at Manual High School's auditorium on Sunday, Sept. 13, at 2:30 p.m. Cost of tickets is /\$15 at the door, \$12 in advance by calling 317-345-8121 any-time. Students are admitted free if accompanied by a paying adult.

## Jan Bender Fest

A public invitation is given to attend a Jan Bender Fest featuring organ compositions, introductions and hymn accompaniments written by Jan O Bender, German Lutheran composer who taught at many US Lutheran colleges and seminaries. Two of his students, Addie Yoder and Gary Ramer will play on the Goulding & Wood pipe organ as well as Barry Bobb, director of music at Carmel Lutheran Church. The celebration recital (with congregational singing) will take place in this 100th year of Bender's birth on All Saints Sunday, November 1, 2009 at 3:30 p.m. at Christ Lutheran Church of Irvington, 345 North Kitley Avenue, Indianapolis IN 46219. A reception will follow the event.



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September 19, 2009 - 8:00 pm

Heather Hinton, organ

*Poulenc's Organ Concerto*

Second Presbyterian Church

To purchase tickets, call 317. 940. 9607

Mention the code **AGO 919** to receive a 20% discount for AGO Members

### Inaugural Recording on the Casavant Organ

Dr. Marilyn Keiser completed the first professional recording on the Casavant Organ, Opus 3856 at St. Paul's Church, Indianapolis in July. Dr. Keiser recorded organ music of the dynamic and challenging American composer, Dan Locklair. Dr. Locklair is Composer-in-Residence and Professor of Music at Wake Forest University in Winston-Salem, North Carolina. His prolific output includes symphonic works, a



ballet, an opera and numerous solo, chamber, vocal and choral compositions. Dan has been a long-time support of new music for the organ. You can read more about Dan Locklair at [www.locklair.com/wp](http://www.locklair.com/wp). The recording sessions occurred during the three days of July between thunder storms, and Meridian Street traffic! This recording will be released in 2010 under Loft Recordings.

### The Six Organ Sonatas of Felix Mendelssohn

September 25, Friday at 7:30 p.m. St. Paul's Episcopal Church. This concert will commemorate the 200th anniversary of Mendelssohn's birth. Mendelssohn's sonatas contain a wide variety of beautiful and engaging movements. Featuring local organists: Frank Boles, Michael Bennett, Edie Johnson, Michael Messina, Lisa Johnson Mott and David Sinden.



## September Calendar of Musical Events

**Fri, Sept 4, 12:05 p.m.** David Sinden, Assistant Organist & Choirmaster, Christ Church Cathedral, Indianapolis, organ, a recital celebrating the 350th Anniversary of the Birth of Henry Purcell, Christ Church Cathedral, 125 Monument Circle, Indianapolis.

**Fri, Sept 11, 12:05 p.m.** Nicholas Bideler, Associate Director of Music, Christ Church Cathedral, Cincinnati, Ohio, organ, Christ Church Cathedral, 125 Monument Circle, Indianapolis.

**Sun, Sept 13, 4:00 p.m.** Choral Evensong, St. Paul's Choir, St Paul's Episcopal Church, 6150 N Meridian St, Indianapolis.

**Sun, Sept 18, 3:00 p.m.** John Weaver, Madonna della Strada Chapel, Loyola University, Chicago

**Fri, Sept 18, 12:05 p.m.** Matt Kaufmann, worship director, Tabernacle Presbyterian Church, Indianapolis, organ, Christ Church Cathedral, 125 Monument Circle, Indianapolis.

**Fri, Sept 18, 7:30 p.m.** David Higgs, organ, East 91st Street Christian Church, 6049 E 91st St, Indianapolis. Ticketed Event.

**Fri, Sept 18, 8:00 p.m.** Clark Wilson, silent movie, Metropolis, Elliott Hall, Purdue University, West Lafayette. Ticketed Event

**Sat, Sept 19, 9:30 a.m.** Masterclass with David Higgs, East 91st Street Christian Church, 6049 E 91st St, Indianapolis.

**Sat, Sept 19, 8:00 p.m.** Heather Hinton, Poulenc Organ Concerto with the Indianapolis Chamber Orchestra, Second Presbyterian Church, 7700 N Meridian, Indianapolis. Ticketed Event.

Official AGO Event

**Fri, Sept 25, 12:05 p.m.** Patrick Pope, doctoral student, Indiana University, Bloomington, organ, Christ Church Cathedral, 125 Monument Circle, Indianapolis.

**Fri, Sept 25, 7:30 p.m.** Mendelssohn Six Organ Sonatas, St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 6150 N Meridian St, Indianapolis.

**Sun, Sept 27, 3:00 p.m.** (cst) David Lamb, First Presbyterian Church, 204 S Hart Street, Princeton, IN 47670.

This calendar is also posted on our Chapter Web site, [www.indyago.org](http://www.indyago.org). Additional events may be posted on the web site.

To have your event listed here, submit information to the editor by the 15th of the month preceding the event.

### Silent Movie

While the fundraising continues for repairs for the water-damaged 3/21 Mighty Wurlitzer owned by Long Center Theatre Organ Society (LCTOS) in Lafayette, theatre organ music continues on in fine fashion. Over a year of work has led to an historic partnership between Purdue Convocations and LCTOS. We're delighted to present Fritz Lang's "Metropolis" on the big screen with organist Clark Wilson at the Elliott Hall of Music Allen Theatre Organ on the campus of Purdue University, Friday, September 18th at 8:00 p.m. LCTOS welcomes our AGO friends to join us for an exciting evening of music and film in one of the largest Art Deco theatres in the United States. Epic film + Superb organist + Stunning Score = Wonderful Evening. For more information call (765) 494-3933 for tickets. General Public \$15, Student/Child \$10.

## Positions Available

**Christ the Savior Lutheran Church** (ELCA), 10500 E. 126th St., Fishers, IN 46038, 842-5649, *Organist/Accompanist*, Contact: Kevin D. Smith, [mainoffice@christthesavior.org](mailto:mainoffice@christthesavior.org)

**Plainfield United Methodist Church**, 600 Simmons St., Plainfield, IN 46168, 839-2319, *Asst. Organist/Music Associate and Praise Worship Leader*, Contact: Michael Pettry, Director of Music, [mpettry@pumc.org](mailto:mpettry@pumc.org)

**St. Alban's Episcopal Church**, 4601 N. Emerson Ave., Indianapolis, IN 46226, 546-8037, *Organist/Choir Director*, Contact: Fr. Walter Sherman, [wsherman317@yahoo.com](mailto:wsherman317@yahoo.com)

**St. Peters United Church of Christ** (UCC), 3106 E. Carmel Dr., Carmel, IN 46033, 846-6882, *Organist & Choir Director*, Contact: Elaine Ackermann, [musicteam09@gmail.com](mailto:musicteam09@gmail.com)

Please contact Steve Brockmann, Placement Coordinator, for further information on positions listed above, (317) 898-9469 or [s.brockmann@sbcglobal.net](mailto:s.brockmann@sbcglobal.net).

