

# The Monthly Mixture

Newsletter of the Austin Chapter American Guild of Organists **December 2006**

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*Monthly Mixture* is the  
15th of the month.  
Send your news to  
Eric Mellenbruch at  
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## chapter news

### Austin Chapter Christmas party December 18

The Austin Chapter of the AGO and Father Larry Covington invite you and your partner or friend to this year's Christmas Wine & Hors d'œuvres party at the Rectory of St Louis Roman Catholic Church. The beautiful Rectory is the southmost building you see as you face the church from Burnet Road. Entrance is between the Church and the Rectory. Tour the new chapel and enjoy a fine holiday evening with colleagues and friends, compliments of the Chapter!

#### December 18

7:00 pm

St Louis Catholic Church Rectory, 7601 Burnet

**RSVP to Paul Keith at [prkeith@yahoo.com](mailto:prkeith@yahoo.com)**

**by December 12**

### Treasurer's report

#### *Austin Chapter AGO Checking Account*

Opening balance 10/10/06	\$3,849.37
Marilyn Keiser concert	-250.00
Clive Driskill-Smith concert	-250.00
AGO Annual Fund	-200.00
Langlais Symposium	-500.00
Ending balance 11/15/06	\$2,649.37

#### *Austin Chapter AGO Money Market Account*

Opening balance 10/10/06	\$3,992.33
Ending balance 11/15/06	3,992.33

*Joy Chandler*

Treasurer

### Professional Development Programs

The American Guild of Organists has a Committee on Career Development and Support which is currently developing national compensation guidelines for musicians employed by religious institutions. This committee, primarily concerned with the professional lives of AGO members, also periodically reviews AGO Code of Ethics and discipline, procedures for dealing with complaints about termination, and the Code of Professional Standards. They also produce AGO resources such as model contracts, time requirements worksheets, and employment reviews.

In the past our chapter has sponsored professional development programs including one quite popular one with a CPA who gave us tips on taxes for church musicians. I would like to know what programs our chapter might sponsor to assist you in your professional development. Please contact me at [jpmartin79848@yahoo.com](mailto:jpmartin79848@yahoo.com) or 459 3913.

*Jack Martin*

Professional Concerns Officer

## workshops

### **UT Sacred Music Conference: Langlais 100th**

Celebrating the 100th anniversary of the birth of Jean Langlais. Featuring Ann Labounsky, Kathleen Thomerson, James Morrow, Frank Speller.

**January 20, 2007**

9:00 am–4:00 pm

University of Texas

[www.music.utexas.edu/campsconferences](http://www.music.utexas.edu/campsconferences)

### **Univ of Alabama Church Music Conference**

Featuring organ concert artist and clinician Jeffrey Brillhart from Yale University and nationally-acclaimed handbell clinician Cathy Mocklebus. Additional clinicians hail from the University of Alabama, from American University in Cairo, and from Paris. Faythe Freese, Professor of Organ at the University of Alabama, will premiere 'Out of Egypt' composed by John Baboukis.

**January 26–27, 2007**

University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa

[www.music.ua.edu/organ/events/preregistration/](http://www.music.ua.edu/organ/events/preregistration/)

## guild news

### **2006 Holiday Gifts from the AGO**

Greetings! With the holiday season upon us, we would like to remind you that the AGO Bookstore offers many educational resources and specialty items that can provide the perfect gifts for professional colleagues, organ students, organ teachers, and organ music lovers on your holiday shopping list.

Gerre Hancock, the famed organist and choir master, is the subject of our newest DVD, the highly acclaimed fourth volume in the AGO's Master Series that celebrates world-class organists and their teaching methods. In this video, Gerre plays, improvises, coaches, and conducts the choir at St Thomas Church, Fifth Avenue in New York. His volume joins those of Catharine Crozier, Marie-Claire Alain, and Fred Swann. Each DVD is available for \$25. We are offering a set of all four DVDs at a reduced price of \$80 plus shipping.

The Guild's bestselling DVD, *Pulling Out All the Stops: The Pipe Organ in America*, is available at the discounted price of \$20 (shipping included).

New this year is a traditional, white, AGO signature polo shirt (\$30). Made from 100% cotton, it is embroidered with the Guild seal. Other clothing items include our very warm and popular AGO sweatshirt (gray with crimson logo, \$18.50) and T-shirts (gray or white with crimson logo, \$12). Our polo shirts, sweatshirts and T-shirts are great stocking-stuffers and are available in S, M, L, and XL sizes.

For a comprehensive list of educational resources including materials to help you prepare for Guild certification as well as gift items, please see pages 6 and 7 in any issue of TAO, and page 73 of the December issue.

Here's a very special incentive to shop at the AGO. Between now and December 31, we will include a free CD of the 2006 NYACOP winner, Yoon-mi Lim, with any purchase of a holiday gift from the AGO store upon request.

Shopping for Guild gifts is easy. All merchandise can be ordered from national headquarters by contacting our store manager Harold Calhoun, [hc@agohq.org](mailto:hc@agohq.org), tel. 212-870-2311, ext 4318 or 800-AGO-5115. You can also fax your order to the Guild at 212-870-2163 using the form found on page 7 of each issue of TAO, or complete your order online at <http://www.agohq.org/store>. Ask for the free CD described above when you place your order. If you order online, request the CD in the "Notes" section. We will be pleased to enclose an AGO gift card with your purchase at no extra charge upon request.

## instrument for sale

1965 Conn console organ (minuet-style French Provincial cabinet) for sale. 'Lightly used' by original owner. \$500. Contact seller's representative, Carolyn McFarland ([carolynmcfar@sbcglobal.net](mailto:carolynmcfar@sbcglobal.net)), for more information.

## concert calendar

Concert listings will be limited to events featuring organ or choir or taking place at churches. Each newsletter's listings will cover only the next three months. Contact emellenbruch@gsaustin.org to have a concert listed in the calendar.

### december

#### 1-3 **St Cecilia Series: Bach Christmas Oratorio**

J.S. Bach's 6-cantata work presented over 3 evenings (2 cantatas each evening) by the choirs of First Presbyterian (James Brown directing), St David's & St Michael's Episcopal with Austin Children's Choir (James Morrow directing), and Redeemer Presbyterian (George Dupere directing), with David Stevens as the Evangelist and an international 30-piece period-instrument orchestra  
7:00 pm \$15/12 each or \$40/30 for all 3  
St Martin's Lutheran, 606 W 15th  
www.fpcaustin.org 345 8866 x 43

#### 2 **Corey Candler in recital**

UT Master's degree recital  
5:00 pm  
Organ Studio, UT, 25th & Robert Dedman Dr

#### **Conspirare Children's Choir at St Louis**

Music by Handel, Rutter, and more, with piano, organ, trumpet & harp and soloist Mela Dailey, directed by Nina Revering  
7:00 pm \$10/5  
St Louis Catholic, 7601 Burnet Rd  
info@conspirare.org 476 5775

#### 3 **Gerre Hancock at First Baptist**

Organ dedicatory concert  
3:00 pm  
First Baptist, 9th & Trinity  
478 2241

#### **St Alban's Abendmusik**

St Alban's choir & soloists sing Buxtehude's cantata 'Every Word and Thought', with classical & seasonal organ music played by Don McManus  
5:00 pm  
St Alban's Episcopal, 11819 I-35 S  
www.stalbansaustin.org 282 5631

#### **St Austin's Series: Ceremony of Carols**

Britten's popular work performed by the children's choir of St Austin Catholic School and the women of the St Austin Choir under the direction of Jeanine Corroa. Also featuring the men of the choir in several selections for the season  
7:30 pm  
St Austin's Catholic, 2026 Guadalupe

#### 5 **St Louis Advent Series: Chris Oelkers**

St Louis' Associate Music Director & Director of Publications plays works for the season by Bach, Messiaen, and Robert Elmore. Lunch follows  
12:05 pm free (lunch \$6)  
St Louis Catholic, 7601 Burnet Rd

#### 7 **Caroling at St David's: Cantamos**

Ensemble from First Baptist Church. Donations benefit Trinity Center (downtown outreach ministry). Lunch follows at 12:30.  
12:05 pm free (lunch \$6)  
St David's Episcopal, 7th & San Jacinto  
Free garage on Trinity between 7th & 8th  
472 1196

#### **UT Chamber Singers: Christmas Favorites**

A cappella Christmas carols in the Great Hall of the LBJ Library at UT  
8:00 pm free (ticket required)  
LBJ Library, UT  
471 0806

#### **Conspirare: Christmas at the Carillon**

Chant, folk, pop, spiritual melodies, renaissance motets, traditional carols, and emerging global harmonies, featuring New Orleans vocalist John Boutte  
8:00 pm \$60/50/30  
The Carillon, 2630 Exposition Blvd  
info@conspirare.org 476 5775

#### 9 **Conspirare: Christmas at the Carillon**

See listing for December 8  
2:30 pm \$60/50/30  
First English Lutheran, 3001 Whitis Ave  
8:30 pm  
St Mary's Cathedral, 203 E 10th St  
info@conspirare.org 476 5775

#### 10 **Highland Park Baptist: Navidad Nuestra**

Highland Park Baptist Sanctuary Choir performs Argentine composer Ariel Ramirez's folk cantata *Navidad Nuestra* with UT Ethnomusicology instrumentalists & tenor Antonio Rodriguez  
11:00 am  
Highland Park Baptist, 5206 Balcones

#### **Conspirare: Christmas at the Carillon**

See listing for December 8  
2:30 & 8:00 pm \$60/50/30  
The Carillon, 2630 Exposition Blvd  
info@conspirare.org 476 5775

## concert calendar, continued

### december, continued

#### **St Alban's Abendmusik**

Austin Guitar Ensemble plays an eclectic mix of classical repertoire and Christmas favorites

5:00 pm

St Alban's Episcopal, 11819 I-35 S

[www.stalbansaustin.org](http://www.stalbansaustin.org) 282 5631

- 12 **St Louis Advent Series: Lenore Alford**  
Organist & Music Assistant of St Theresa's Catholic Church plays works by Bach, Widor, Arauxo, and Keith Chapman. Lunch follows  
12:05 pm free (lunch \$6)  
St Louis Catholic, 7601 Burnet Rd
- 13 **Conspirare: Christmas at the Carillon**  
See listing for December 8  
7:00 pm \$60/50/30  
St Matthew's Episcopal, 8134 Mesa Dr  
[info@conspirare.org](mailto:info@conspirare.org) 476 5775
- 14 **Caroling at St David's: UT Harp Ensemble**  
Donations benefit Trinity Center (downtown outreach ministry). Lunch follows at 12:30.  
12:05 pm free (lunch \$6)  
St David's Episcopal, 7th & San Jacinto  
Free garage on Trinity between 7th & 8th  
472 1196
- 19 **St Louis Advent Series: Paul Keith**  
Organist of Westlake Hills Presbyterian plays his own works plus music by Bach and Langlais. Lunch follows  
12:05 pm free (lunch \$6)  
St Louis Catholic, 7601 Burnet Rd
- 21 **Caroling at St David's: Canterbury Bells**  
Donations benefit Trinity Center (downtown outreach ministry). Lunch follows at 12:30.  
12:05 pm free (lunch \$6)  
St David's Episcopal, 7th & San Jacinto  
Free garage on Trinity between 7th & 8th  
472 1196

### january

- 7 **St Austin's Series: Chris Oelkers**  
Organist of St Louis RC Church performs works for the organ including music for Epiphany  
3:00 pm  
St Austin's Catholic, 2026 Guadalupe
- 20 **Ann Labounsky plays Langlais**  
Part of the UT Sacred Music Conference celebrating the 100th anniversary of the birth of Jean Langlais  
4:00 pm  
Bates Hall, UT, 25th at Robert Dedman Dr
- 28 **Texas Tech Chorale at First Baptist**  
11:00 am  
First Baptist, 9th & Trinity  
478 2241

### february

- 4 **Joyce Jones at Manchaca Methodist**  
Baylor University Professor of Organ in concert on the Johannus Monarke AC-VII electronic organ  
2:30 pm  
Manchaca UMC, 1011 FM 1626, Manchaca
- 9 **Austin Guitar Society: Xuefei Yang**  
8:00 pm  
NW Hills Methodist, 7050 Village Center Dr  
[www.austinclassicalguitar.org](http://www.austinclassicalguitar.org) 300 ACGS
- 11 **St Austin's Series: Solo sacred vocal works**  
Performed by the cantors of the parish, Richard Bohan, Jeanine Corroa, Laurie Mechler, Agatha Tokur, Michael Hoffer and Christi Arnold. Concert will also include the trombone solo 'David' performed by Michael Hoffer.  
3:00 pm  
St Austin's Catholic, 2026 Guadalupe
- 23 **La Follia: Bach Vocal Masterpieces**  
Joint concert with Calmus Ensemble of Leipzig with selections from the St Matthew and St John Passions, b minor Mass, and the complete motet 'Jesu, meine Freude'  
8:00 pm \$15/12  
First Presbyterian, 8001 Mesa Dr  
[www.lafollia.org](http://www.lafollia.org)