

# ***TITULAIRE***

## **The NEWSLETTER for the AGO PALOMAR CHAPTER**

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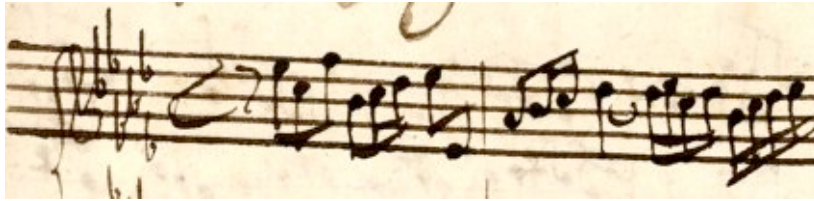
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# A Note from the Dean



Dear Palomar AGO members,

I hope we all have recovered from the December holidays by now. We just finished putting away the last of our Christmas decorations. My wife Kristine really really likes Christmas, so it takes a really really long time to put it all away. And now Lent is fast approaching. Emma Whitten is planning a program focused on practical works by women composers spanning the liturgical year, with a special emphasis on Lent. We should have a place and time soon, probably the second week in March. There will be more details in the near future.

I recently had the opportunity to spend a few days in Belize. What a beautiful country. I saw a couple of churches, one LDS, and the other Catholic, in the town of San Pedro. It was right on the beach and wide open, so I walked in. There was a choir loft, and I was crossing my fingers that there might be an organ of some kind, but my hopes were dashed when all I could see was a drum kit, amplifiers, guitar, and a keyboard. The other amazing thing I learned is that there are thousands of Mennonites in Belize. Many migrated from Mexico in the last 40 years. We saw quite a few as we drove from San Ignacio in the west to Hopkins in the east.

## A Note from The Newsletter Editor

Regarding Dean Michael Munson's missive above and his observation of a drum kit, amplifiers, guitar, and a keyboard in the San Pedro, Belize, Catholic church, I noticed a similar phenomenon when I visited the Isle of Puerto Rico some 15-or-so years ago. At the time I lived in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, and I was thinking in the future I might move to a region with milder winters, such as Florida, California or the Caribbean. During my research I discovered that Puerto Rico has NINETY Roman Catholic parishes! Surely one of them, I thought, will be looking for an organist sometime. Perhaps I could get a job there on the "Island of Enchantment" and say goodbye to below-freezing winters.

However, during my 12-day visit to the tropical paradise—although I visited a few rum distilleries, hiked in the El Yunque National Rain Forest, and scuba dived at Rincón Reef—all the churches I visited had only Casio keyboards and guitars! No organs. Bummer, I thought.

Later, during my travels, I visited *Catedral Metropolitana Basílica de San Juan Bautista*, the Roman Catholic cathedral of the *Archdiocese of San Juan de Puerto Rico*. It's the second oldest cathedral in the New World, established in 1521. During my visit, I looked up and saw a fairly-large organ up in the choir loft! I asked a docent about the organ. She glanced up at the instrument, and told me, "That organ hasn't been played since 1950!"

Back in the day when this region was known as the "Viceroyalty of New Spain," there were many fine organs, organists and organ-music composers in the New World, but that day has passed long ago, it seems.—Henry Doktorski

# Upcoming Organ Concerts



Dr. Emma Whitten is performing several concerts in our area:

Feb 05, 2:00 PM PST

Church of the Immaculate Conception, 2540 San Diego Ave, San Diego, CA 92110,

Feb 26, 2:00 PM PST

Spreckels Organ Pavilion, 2125 Pan American E Rd, San Diego, CA 92101, USA

Year of Hazel May 03, 7:30 PM PDT

Christ Cathedral, 13280 Chapman Ave, Garden Grove, CA 92840, USA

See <https://www.emmawhitten.com>



# Upcoming Concert

## 8 PLUS 88

*Alyze Dreiling*  
*Violin*

*Lorie Kirkell*  
*Cello*

*Steve Gray*  
*Piano*

### *Fantasies and Dances*

**Sunday, March 12, 2023  
at 4:00pm**

**Turina, Bridge, Kirkell, Dvorak and  
Brahms and more!**

**King of Kings Lutheran Church  
2993 MacDonald St. Oceanside, CA 92054  
760-757-2525**

**Free Will Offering**



Kimberly Bedell announces: "On Sunday, March 12 at 3:00 pm, King of Kings Lutheran Church will host the chamber music ensemble 8 Plus 88 (Alyze Dreiling, violin; Lori, Kirkell, cello; and Steve Gray, piano) in a concert of Fantasies and Dances: Music of Turina, Bridge, Kirkell, Dvorak, Brahms and more! The concert is free."

# Organ Scholarship Info

AGO Palomar Chapter Secretary Carol Graham tells us:

Dear AGO Palomar Members and Friends,

There are ample funds in our Scholarship Fund!! SO.....your HELP is needed to recruit applicants for the annual Scholarship Auditions - May 6, 2023

A pianist of any age may apply, play 1 or 2 pieces and receive a minimum of \$500 towards organ study or camp.

Two simple forms are below - one for organists, one for pianists. Would you print out several copies and give them out to anyone whom you think might be interested in this great opportunity to learn to play the organ.

If you have ?? or want forms mailed to you, contact Carol Graham  
[organizing2023@gmail.com](mailto:organizing2023@gmail.com)

Applicant Name \_\_\_\_\_ Parent' s Name \_\_\_\_\_

Years of study: Piano \_\_\_\_ Organ \_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

Adult (21& over) Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

ORGAN: (2 contrasting pieces and a hymn) Memory not required.

**Organists and their teachers please refer to the Progressive Repertoire Guides for organ on the website to select the level and suggested repertoire lists for each level.**

Organ Level: \_\_\_\_\_

Title \_\_\_\_\_

Composer \_\_\_\_\_

Title \_\_\_\_\_

Composer \_\_\_\_\_

Hymn \_\_\_\_\_

I am auditioning for:

\_\_\_\_ Evaluation only \_\_\_\_ Tuition grant for organ lessons

Under 21:

Teacher's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Applicants must reside in San Diego North County or study with a teacher who is a member of Palomar Chapter, American Guild of Organists. Recipients must use their scholarships to study with a teacher who is a member of AGO, American Guild of Organists. Awards start in the amount of \$500. Please become familiar with the Guidelines and Progressive Repertoire

Requirements posted on the website.

APPLICATION FEE \$20.00 Make checks payable to AGO Palomar. Mail your application form and check to Carol Graham, 727 Alta Vista Dr, Vista, CA 92084. Questions, contact Carol [organizing2023@gmail.com](mailto:organizing2023@gmail.com) The application deadline is April 22, 2023.

## Organ Scholarship Auditions 2023 - Pianists



Expand your piano skills by learning to play the King of Instruments. Earn \$ and continue music in your future career. 12:00 Noon, Saturday, May 6, 2023, King of Kings Lutheran Church, 2993 MacDonald St., Oceanside

Pianists of any age audition by playing one or two selections within a 5 minute time limit. Scholarship awards start in the amount of \$500 and increase.

Scholarship money awarded may be used for organ lessons or organ camp. Pianists must be a resident of SD North County. Lessons will be given by a member of Palomar Chapter, American Guild of Organists. Organists of any age audition on Organ.

Suggested guidelines/application for organ may be found at [agopalomar.org/organscholarships](http://agopalomar.org/organscholarships)  
The audition is recital format. Each performer will receive comments from the adjudicator. Memory is not required. Provide a copy of the music for the adjudicator. The application fee is \$20 payable to AGO Palomar. Mail to Carol Graham, 727 Alta Vista Dr, Vista, CA 92084. Deadline - April 22, 2023 Questions? Contact Carol [organizing2023@gmail.com](mailto:organizing2023@gmail.com)

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### Pianist Application

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher(if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Piano Selection(s) \_\_\_\_\_ by \_\_\_\_\_



1. Organists will play two pieces in contrasting styles and a hymn. The maximum performance time is 15 minutes. It is not necessary to use the entire 15 minutes! Please prepare to play an introduction and two contrasting stanzas of the hymn, as for congregational singing. **Please note the requirements for the hymn at each level. The two pieces for students entered at Level 4 and above must be from two different periods.** Please refer to the Progressive Repertoire Requirements for details. Literature in the repertoire requirements is intended to serve as a guide for entering a student at the appropriate level. It is not necessary to play a piece that is listed, but it must be at the level or above.
2. Pianists may be of any age and will play one piece. Piano teachers do not have to be AGO members. The maximum performance time is 5 minutes. Pianists would most often be auditioning for introductory organ lessons with a qualified AGO instructor. Pianists may only receive an award **once** for participation on piano. To be eligible for an award in the second year, participation in the second year must be on the organ.
3. A legal copy of the music is required for the applicant and the adjudicator. Memorization is not required. Please be sure names are on all music and place a measure number at the beginning of each line. Photocopies may not be used without written permission from the publisher.
4. Refer to the application form for time and location. Teachers may schedule rehearsal time with the student on the organ. "Warm-up" practice times will be available from 9:30-11:30 on the day of the auditions.
5. Performers 21 years or older may participate in the auditions a maximum of three times.
6. Participants will perform for each other in groups or as a whole in recital format depending on the number of applicants. This will mean a time commitment of approximately 1-2 hours giving students an opportunity to hear other performers and literature.
7. Pipe Organ Encounter Camps (POE) information may be found at [www.agohq.org/education/poe](http://www.agohq.org/education/poe)
8. Tuition checks for participants who receive awards will be mailed directly to the teacher of the organ lessons. The organ teacher must be member of the American Guild of Organists (AGO).
9. Organ participants must be residents of North San Diego County or study regularly with a Palomar Chapter AGO member teacher. Organ students may enter at the same level as many times as desired, but will only be eligible for an award twice at the same level.

*Carol Graham, Scholarship Chair, Palomar Chapter, AGO*

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