



Salt Lake Chapter // American Guild of Organists **THE BOMBARDE**

February 2017



Members of the AGO National Council and Salt Lake Chapter met in Salt Lake City January 25-27 for the national council's meeting. **Back row, left-right:** Kim Cook, David Lamb, John Walker, Mary Stutz, Eileen Hunt, Richard Elliott, Barbara Adler, Becky Ázera, Brian Mathias, James Thomashower. **Front row, left-right:** Don Cook, Clay Christiansen, Alex Oldroyd, Steve Schank, Andrew Unsworth.

Dean's Column

Hello my friends,

This year is already flying by. The Convention will be here before you know it. Alex Oldroyd's committee have worked really hard to bring this dream alive. It is going to be a wonderful Event that you won't want to miss! We still need some volunteers to assist with ushering, manning the registration desk, etc. Please let Alex (alex@agowest2017.org) or myself know if you wouldn't mind sharing some of your time.

The AGO National Council came to town January 25-27 to hold their quarterly meeting and discuss the Convention. They were impressed with the way things are going here in the Salt Lake Chapter. They treated several of us to a wonderful lunch. Many new friendships were made.

Our snow-canceled January Event with Don Cook and Harry Cross "Something New, Something Old, Something Used, Something Blue" will be re-scheduled in a few months. We're sorry for the delay but the roads were not safe that January day. The workshop by Barbara Alder, national AGO trea-

surer, brought in nearly 70 people. Our February event with David Chamberlin was also a wonderful success.

He shared his amazing talent for creating hymn introductions, last verses, and improvisation. Being in that historic Granite Tabernacle, hearing that beautiful Kilgen organ played by a pro and being around friends was a true joy.

Our March event will be an educational presentation and organ crawl at another historic building: the Ogden Tabernacle.

Hope to see you there and hear you play that newly rebuilt organ.

Please consider playing at our member recital in April. You could play anything: a prelude/postlude piece, a duet with another instrument, a repertoire piece, or even an accompaniment to a hymn which the audience will sing. Let me know what your piece will be.

Thanks,

Becky

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New & Renewed Members

Listed below are members who have recently joined our chapter or renewed their membership. Be sure to welcome them at our events!

Loren Carle
Kathy Chandler

Membership Renewal

It's time for several of our members to renew their memberships. Remember that AGO membership is no longer based on a July-June cycle, but is determined on an annual basis from the month you joined or renewed. If your membership lapsed in the past and you later renewed, your dues cycle may have changed, and **YOU** could be one of these people!

Membership is important! Your dues support the chapter and all the events it puts on. You'll have access to **member-only events**, such as the opportunity to play the organ in the Ogden Tabernacle in March. In addition, you'll get an **exclusive Salt Lake Chapter member rate** for the West Region Convention in June.

We'll send notices by email to members who have recently lapsed to let you know. Don't worry: renewing is EASY!

Go to agohq.org/oncard-login and sign in to your account. From there, you'll have an option to renew your dues.

Don't feel comfortable with on-line renewal? You can renew anytime by calling the national office (212.870.2310) with a credit card.

You can request us to email your invoice to you if you don't currently have it.

For future renewals, a renewal notice is sent by email. Make sure your email is up to date in the ONCARD system by clicking "update personal information."

You can also opt to have national mail you a dues invoice via USPS in the future.

There are also instructional videos on the national web site, accessed from the right side of the ONCARD log in page.

Help the Chapter by Recruiting Members

Do you know somebody who should be involved in the Salt Lake Chapter? Perhaps that someone is you? Organists and choral musicians of all levels, and those who enjoy the music are invited to join the Salt Lake Chapter. The mission of the American Guild of Organists is to foster a thriving community of musicians who share their knowledge and inspire passion for the organ.

The AGO is the national professional association serving the organ and choral music fields. There are approximately 16,000 members in more than 300 chapters throughout the United States and abroad.

Join as a chapter member by visiting agohq.org, or for more info, contact info@slcago.org.

Get Certified

In June 2015, the Chapter outlined the goal of having every Chapter member hold at least one AGO certification. Since that time, many members have begun the process of obtaining certifications, and several have completed them.

Requirements for certifications are listed in the July issue of *The American Organist*, or on-line at agohq.org/certification

Chapter Members with Certifications

Fellow [FAGO]

Dr. Richard Elliott
Bonnie Goodliffe
Dr. John Longhurst
Dr. Linda Margetts

Associate [AAGO]

Ronnie Bishop
Teresa Clawson
Dr. Andrew Unsworth

Colleague [CAGO]

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Ryan North
Tan Summers

Service Playing (SPC)

Lorelea Anderson
Kathleen Stanford

Choirmaster [ChM]

Ryan North
Dr. Myron Patterson

The listings above are current according to AGO records. If your name is not listed, or is listed incorrectly, please let us know at newsletter@slcago.org

Convention Update

I'm excited about the upcoming West Region Convention this summer in Salt Lake City! My committee has worked hard to put together a wonderful event. Check out the program overview and other information below.



PROGRAM OVERVIEW

As a convention attendee, you'll enjoy 23 concerts and recitals by a diverse group of artists, including **Jaebon Hwang, Kimberly Marshall, Kenneth Udy, Pamela Decker, and Stephen Tharp**. **Richard Elliott** will perform "*Symphonie No. 2 for Organ and Orchestra*" by **Alexandre Guilmant** with the **Orchestra at Temple Square**, and the **Mormon Tabernacle Choir** will perform a concert in their renowned home venue.

The convention will feature 9 of Salt Lake's many fine instruments. The city is home to two magnum opuses by major builders: the famed G. Donald Harrison Æolian Skinner organ in the Tabernacle, which celebrates its 150th anniversary this year, and the newer 130-rank Schoenstein & Co. organ in the LDS Conference Center. The Cathedral of the Madeleine houses an impressive IV/77 Kenneth Jones organ which hosts the annual Eccles Organ Festival.

There are more than 16 great workshops planned which will offer some-



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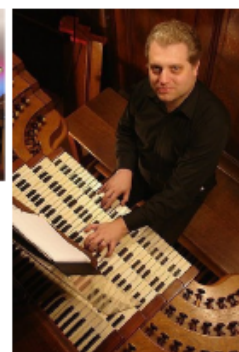
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thing for everyone. From presentations on historic organist-composers such as Louis Vierne to contemporary ones like Dale Wood, workshops on choir and hand bells, numerology in the music of J.S. Bach, and a multi-part hands-on improvisation workshop, you'll leave the convention enriched. Two performance master classes on French Romantic music (with James Welch) and twentieth century music (with Pamela Decker) are planned. Attend the meeting of the west region and a keynote address by AGO Executive Director James Thomashower at a special banquet dinner--- all included with your convention registration!

Take a look at the program overview on the convention web site for more program information.

SCHEDULE OVERVIEW

June 11, 7 pm - June 15, 3 pm

The buses will leave the convention hotel for the first event at 7pm Sunday June 11. The convention runs through 3pm Thursday June 15 when the buses will arrive back at the convention hotel from the final convention event.

Our program also features a major pre-convention event: **Clay Christiansen** will perform a solo concert on the Tabernacle Organ on **Saturday June 10 at 7:30 pm**. This concert serves as a kick-off event. Be sure to join us! This concert is co-sponsored by Temple Square Performances, and is open to the public.

The convention hotel is 15-30 minutes from SLC airport depending on your method of transportation (complimentary hotel airport shuttle, taxi or Uber, or the green line TRAX (light rail) from airport terminal 1).

REGISTRATION

Take advantage of your early registration rates to get the best deal attending the convention. Online registration will open soon! We'll send an email announcement when registration is open.

Item Price

Early standard	\$375
Early special (65+)	\$325
Salt Lake Chapter	\$345/\$295*
Under 30	\$99**

Rates increase after March 15

Transportation \$99

Hotel (by May 20) \$129/nt

**A current membership with the Salt Lake Chapter at registration and upon attending the convention (at any level, including chapter friend and dual membership) is required to access this rate. No refunds or rate adjustments will be made.*

***The under 30 rate is not subject to the chapter member discount.*

HOTEL

The beautiful, recently-remodeled Sheraton Salt Lake Hotel will serve as convention headquarters for the 2017 West Region Convention. The convention rate is \$129 per night, and is available 3 days before and following the convention.

The hotel features on-site dining, comfortable guest rooms, free internet, a Starbucks location, a sports lounge, and much more. The Sheraton is conveniently located on 500 South in the heart of the downtown business and entertainment district. Temple Square, the City Creek Mall, several convention venues, and many nearby restaurants and shops are located within walking distance of the hotel. TRAX, Salt Lake City's light rail system, is complimentary in the city center, and is accessible from the Court-

house station one block northeast of the hotel. Free parking is available at the hotel for convention attendees.

TRAVEL & TRANSPORTATION

Take advantage of our affordable bus transportation to all convention venues for **only \$99**. Many of the convention venues have **extremely limited parking**, especially on weekdays. **We encourage local attendees to plan to drive to the hotel and park for free, or take TRAX to the hotel, and then utilize convention transportation from there.**

If you or your friends are flying to Salt Lake City for the convention, take advantage of our exclusive travel discounts with Alaska (ECMX309) and Delta (NMP6G) airlines. These special rates are available for a few days before and after the convention, and include international travel.

OTHER CONVENTION INFORMATION

Sponsorships, exhibitor space, and program book advertising is available! Get in touch to take advantage of these opportunities.

CONNECT WITH US

If it's been a while, be sure to visit our updated web site at agowest2017.org. Additionally, be sure to like our Facebook page, and follow us on Instagram and Twitter. We'll be sharing lots of content on social media. Be sure to use the convention hashtag **#agowest**

I hope to see you at the convention this summer in Salt Lake City!

Alex Oldroyd
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Upcoming Events

Eccles Organ Festival: Master Class with Alan Morrison

Alan Morrison, head of the organ departments of Curtis Institute of Music in Philadelphia, PA, and the Westminster Choir College in Princeton, NJ, will present a master class as part of the Eccles Organ Festival.

Students will perform on the organ in Libby Gardner Hall for Alan and receive feedback. This is an excellent opportunity for students to learn from one of the preeminent concert organists in the world today.

Auditions will be required for the master class spots. For more information, visit ecclesorganfestival.org

fri 3/10

4 PM - Eccles Organ Festival Master Class w/ Alan Morrison

*Libby Gardner Hall
1375 Presidents Cir, SLC*

Eccles Organ Festival: Alan Morrison Concert

Alan Morrison will give the concluding performance in the 23rd Season of the Eccles Organ Festival at Libby Gardner Hall. His concert marks the return of the Festival to Libby Gardner Hall at the University of Utah and the Eccles Memorial Lively Fulcher organ in the hall.

sun 3/12

8 PM - Eccles Organ Festival: Alan Morrison

*Libby Gardner Hall
1375 E Presidents Cir, SLC*

Organ Crawl: Odgen Tabernacle

Join us as we visit the Odgen Tabernacle to hear a special presentation, attend a demonstration of the organ, tour the pipe chamber, and have the opportunity to play the instrument.

Members will hear from those involved in the design and construction of the organ, including Mike and Timothy Poll, Bill Hesterman and Clay Christiansen.

sat 3/18

9 AM - 1 PM Ogden Tabernacle Organ Crawl & Lecture

*Ogden Tabernacle
350 E 22nd St, Ogden*

Quimby Regional Competition for Young Organists (RCYO)

The Salt Lake Chapter will host the Quimby RCYO competition for the Salt Lake and Utah Valley chapters.

thu 3/9

Quimby RCYO Competition

First United Methodist Church, 203 S 200 E, SLC

Member Recital

Perform for your fellow chapter members in the annual SLCAGO member's recital.

You may perform any piece you wish, including hymn accompaniments with the congregation singing, and you may also bring someone with you to perform as a duet with another instrument. The building will open at noon on the day of the recital for rehearsal and warm-up.

Invite your family and friends to hear your performance. Following the recital, there will be a potluck dessert reception.

sat 4/21

7 PM - Member Recital

*First Congregational Church
2150 Foothill Dr. SLC*

Closing Social: Edison Organ Loft

Join the Salt Lake Chapter, and invite your family and friends to learn more about the theater organ at the Organ Loft and experience a fun show.

fri 5/5

Evening - Closing Social

*Edison Organ Loft
3331 S Edison St, SLC*

2017 West Region Convention: Salt Lake City

Nearly 3 years in the making, join us for a convention in your own back yard!

The Salt Lake Chapter is thrilled to host the 2017 Regional Convention and invite all to attend 5 days of outstanding performances, workshops, worship services, and more.

Details of our major concerts are listed below. The full convention schedule features more than 23 concerts, 15+ workshops and master classes, and many other great events.

Saturday June 10 [pre-convention]: Dr. Clay Christiansen will perform a solo concert on the Tabernacle organ.

Sunday June 11: The Cathedral of the Madeleine will host a service of choral vespers, with improvised organ responses. Following the vespers, the convention will begin with a performance by Dr. Kimberly Marshall (Arizona State University).

Monday June 12: Our own Dr. Kenneth Udy will play a concert in Libby Gardner Hall at the University of Utah.

Tuesday June 13: Dr. Richard Elliott, Principal Organist for the Mormon Tabernacle Choir, will join forces with Mack Wilberg and the Orchestra at Temple Square to perform Symphony No. 2 for Organ and Orchestra by Alexandre Guilmant in the Salt Lake Tabernacle.

Following a short intermission, the Mormon Tabernacle Choir, Orchestra at Temple Square, directors Mack Wilberg and Ryan Murphy, with organists Richard Elliott, Clay Christiansen and Andrew Unsworth will present a full-length concert.

Wednesday June 14: Stephen Tharp, one of the world's most renowned concert organists, will present a concert of Romantic music and transcriptions for the organ on the V/130 Schoenstein & Co. organ in the Conference Center.

The convention will conclude Thursday June 15 with the 2 pm recital in the Tabernacle.

We will be opening registration soon, so be sure to sign up for updates at agowest2017.org, and follow the Convention on social media (Facebook,

Instagram, and Twitter: agowest2017].

More major announcements are coming soon! We're also on the look out for donors, sponsors, and volunteers, so if you're interested in any of those opportunities, please get in touch (info@agowest2017.org).

San Diego Pipe Organ Encounter

The San Diego Chapter is sponsoring a pipe organ encounter in 2017, a week-long camp for young pianists and organists teaching them about the King of Instruments. During these camps, world-renowned organists have performed memorable concerts, and seeds have been sown for organists to become part of the profession.

There's still space available for interested students to apply!

For more information, visit agosd.org

Organ Teachers

Chapter members who have indicated they are available for teaching private or group lessons are listed alphabetically by last name below. If you'd like to be included on this list, please email your information to newsletter@slcago.org

Listings are free and available to current paid members (or dual members) of the Salt Lake Chapter.

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Need a Sub?

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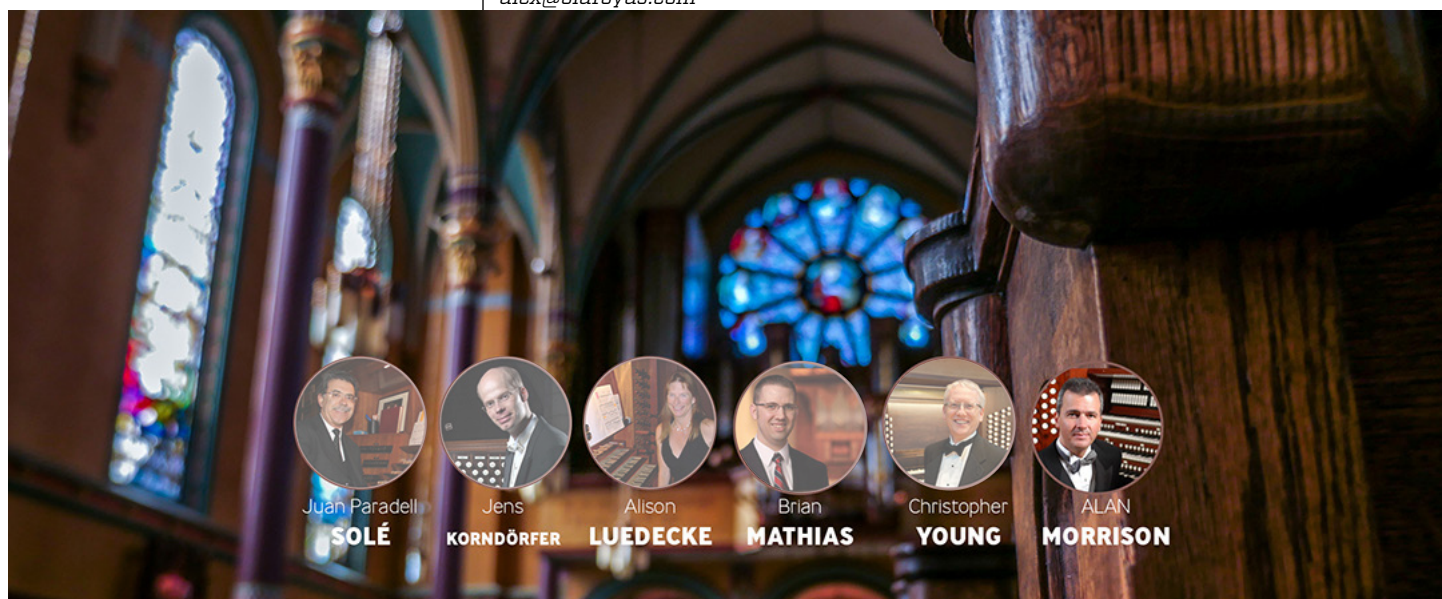
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The Eccles Organ Festival

Thanks to all our members who support the Eccles Organ Festival! This is one of the most important and longest-running organ concert series in the world, and we're fortunate to have it right here in our back yard. Thanks to the generosity of the friends and sponsors of the Festival, including support from the Salt Lake Chapter and its members, the Festival is able to offer its performances free of charge to the public.

Friday March 10 at 4pm, Alan Morrison, a widely renowned concert performer and educator, will conduct a master class at Libby Gardner Hall at the University of Utah. There is no charge to attend or participate in this master class. More information is available on the Festival's web site.

At 8pm Sunday March 12, Mr. Morrison will perform the concluding concert of the Festival's 23rd season, which will take place in Libby Gardner Concert Hall (not at the Cathedral). You won't want to miss these wonderful events!



Event Photos

Have photos to share? We want to feature photos of our members in our newsletter each month. Please email photos (or links to photo sharing services, ie Dropbox, to newsletter@slcago.org



Captions

Left: Ian Christensen, Becky Ázera, Ryan North, and Barbara Adler following Barbara's workshop at the Taylorsville Central Stake Center. The organ is a II/12 Ruter pipe organ.

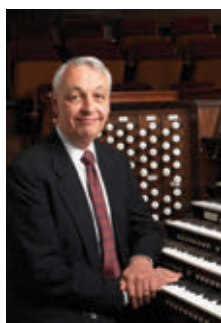
Above: Chapter members and event attendees pose for a picture near the console of the Granite Tabernacle organ following David Chamberlin's (seated) event on hymn introductions and last verse harmonizations.

Bottom-L: Our Chapter Dean, Becky following David Chamberlin's event at the historic Granite Tabernacle. Most of the historic Kilgen pipe organ is hidden behind the grates you see in the background.





FEATURING



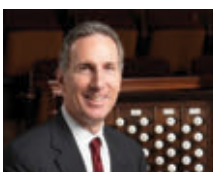
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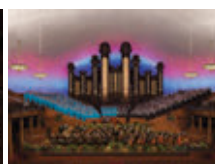
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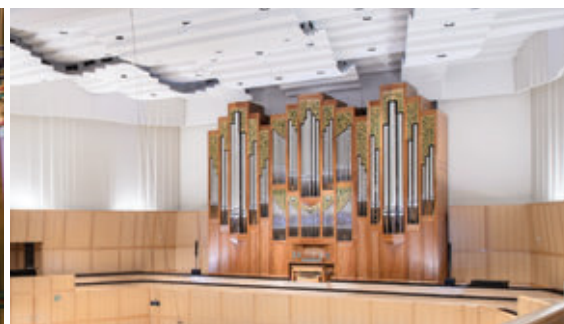
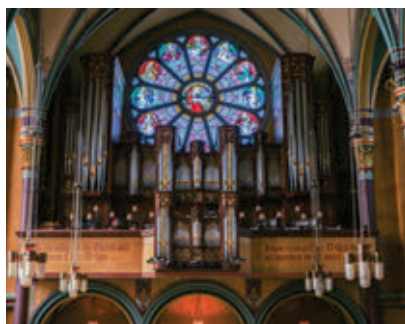


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**39 ARTISTS & PRESENTERS
23 CONCERTS
15+ WORKSHOPS
11 NEW COMMISSIONS
9 ORGANS
5 DAYS
1 CONVENTION**



ARTISTS & PRESENTERS

BRADY ALLRED
JACK BETHARDS
MICHAEL BIGELOW
LARRY BLACKBURN
CLAY CHRISTIENSEN
RULON CHRISTIENSEN
DON COOK
BONITA CROSS
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