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ARTIST-OF-THE-YEAR MARK HOWE TO PERFORM IN BURLINGTON ON MARCH 30

Mark Howe, organist and music director at St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Burlington, was selected as the Vermont Artist-of-the-Year at the OHS Convention last June. He is presenting a recital for the Vermont AGO Chapter and for the general public to attend on Sunday, March 30 at 3 p.m. at St. Paul's Church in Burlington. An Executive Board meeting for all of those members who can attend will follow the recital.

CHAPTER NOTES

There are a number of openings in the slate of Vermont AGO officers to be filled. If you would like to help the Chapter and be involved in increasing the activity and outreach of the Chapter and in moving the Chapter forward, please contact Dean David Neiweem or any other Chapter officers: John Atwood, Ed Boadway, or Lynnette Combs.

The National AGO Convention will be held this June in Boston, Mass. and Vermont AGO member William Tortolano will be giving a "scholarly" talk at the convention on Thursday, June 26 from 10:15 to 10:40 in Regis, 3rd fl/70. The presentation is entitled <u>Gregorian Chant Roots in the Music of J.S. Bach</u>.

COMING EVENTS

Emory Fanning will lead a Choral Workshop at First Light Studio in Randolph on Saturday, March 8 from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. This event is open to all singers, but there is limited seating. Works to be sung include Schubert's Mass in G, Brahms' "How Lovely is Thy Dwelling Place", and Lutkins' "The Lord Bless and Keep You". The workshop is limited to 32 people so pre-registration is strongly encouraged. E-mail <u>bob@firstlightstudios.net</u> and include your vocal range. Mark Howe will present his Artist-of-the-Year organ recital at St. Paul's Cathedral in Burlington, Vermont on Sunday, March 30 at 3 p.m. A Vermont AGO Executive Board meeting will follow.

Saturday, May 17 the Estey Pipe Organ Tour will be held in Brattleboro, Vermont from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. starting at the First United Methodist Church and ending at the Estey Organ Museum.

NEWS FROM HEADQUARTERS

The American Guild of Organists announces five Pipe Organ Encounters (POEs) and one POE (Advanced) for students aged 13-18; one POE (Technical) for students aged 16-23; and two POE+ programs for adult students in 2014. Generous funding from the Associated Pipe Organ Builders of America (APOBA) and the American Institute of Organbuilders (AIO) will support the summer programs, which will be held from coast to coast. Complete contact information for each Pipe Organ Encounter can be found in <u>The American Organist</u> Magazine and online at Agohq.org. The summer schedule follows:

POE for ages 13-18		POE(Technical) for ages 16-23	3
June 8-13	Fort Collins, Colo.	June 8-13 Stowe, Pa.	
June 9-14	Indianapolis, Ind.		
June 29-July 4	Wilmington, Del.	POE+ for adults	
July 7-11	Manhattan, Kans.	June 8-13 Rockford, Ill.	
July 13-18	Easton, Mass.	July 13-17 Seattle, Wash.	
June 29-July 4 July 7-11	Wilmington, Del. Manhattan, Kans.	June 8-13 Rockford, Ill.	

POE (Advanced) for ages 13-18 June 29-July 4 Ann Arbor, Mich.

MUSIC DIRECTOR POSITION AVAILABLE

The Charlotte Congregational Church, UCC is seeking a new Director of Music Ministry. We are an Open and Affirming congregation that values and upholds music as an integral part of worship and extended ministry. Our congregation loves to sing and is blessed with many musicians who contribute to worship. We have a refurbished Estey organ, a grand piano, and an occasional group of folk-instrument players who lead worship. Primary responsibilities would be accompanying congregational singing and rehearsing and conducting the adult choir for our Sunday morning worship services at 10 a.m. and for other occasional services like Christmas Eve, Ash Wednesday, and Maundy Thursday. In addition we also offer a Saturday Evening Worship Service once-a-month at 4:30 p.m., and have a children's choir that meets on occasion. This part-time position, roughly 10 hours a week, could be staffed by one or two people and would be available starting March 2nd, 2014.

Please send a cover letter and resume to: <u>charlotteucc@gmavt.net</u>, attention: Music Search. Or to The Charlotte Congregational Church, 403 Church Hill Road, Charlotte, Vt. 05445. Church office: 802-425-3176.

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

The deadline for the April issue of Pipe Notes will be March 20.

There are two means of refuge from the misery of life: music and cats. --Albert Schweitzer