



**SAN JOSE PIPINGS**  
 SAN JOSE CHAPTER OF THE AGO  
 February 2019 [www.agosanjose.org](http://www.agosanjose.org)



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**26 JANUARY CHAPTER EVENT**  
**PEDALS, PIPES, AND PIZZA**

Our annual PPP was held on 26 January 2018 at Immanuel Lutheran Church, 14103 Saratoga Ave, Saratoga. This event is sponsored by our chapter members to give more exposure to the instrument that we love. **Nine** students participated this year. We wish to thank **Elisabeth Pinter** for organizing and conducting the event. Helping was **Diane Ruder, Susan Snook-Luther, Colin Whitby-Stevens, Doris Reed, Margaret Kvamme, Darryl Parker, and Kenneth Talbot.** Thank you all who helped.

Before the event the Susan and Margaret played various organ pieces so that the students could hear and appreciate the majesty of the organ.

First the various parts of the organ (couplers, pistons, tabs, etc.). Then the differences the between the organ and piano (pedals, legato touch, finger substitution, etc) were explained. Then Darryl Parker the various stops and sounds of the organ were explained and demonstrated. The mutation and mixtures stops were also explained along with the Swell and Crescendo pedals.



**PPP Participants: Back: Chad, Luhan, Avi, Harsita, Kimberly, Aashita  
 Front: Dhure, Ayanna, Nicole,**

The students were then divided into two groups. While the first group played the organ the second group would visit the organ chamber and were also shown different types of organ pipes. We also explained how organ pipes made their sound. After a set amount of the time, the groups exchanged places.

In the first group each student played his/her piano piece on the organ. One of the Chapter members helped the students set the registration on the organ for the piece they were going to play.

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Continued from page 1 A number of the pieces were even played several times with different registrations so that the student could hear how different registrations can affect the presentation of the piece.

The second group went into the organ chamber to see the various parts of the organ and some of the organ pipes. They also felt the sound vibrations of the big pedal pipes. Next a small number of pipes were demonstrated and explained how the pipes produce the sound and what the various parts are called.

Everyone had a good time and there was plenty of pizza afterward. We also thank Elisabeth Pinter the organist at Immanuel Lutheran Church and the Church Officials for their sponsorship of this event. 🎵

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## I FEBRUARY STUDENT RECITAL

Our annual student recital will be held at **7:30 pm** on **February 1, 2019** at **Sunnyvale Presbyterian Church, 728 W Fremont Avenue, Sunnyvale.**

Valley Church Choir Director **Dr. Howard Lee**, who is the Frasier Organ Scholarship recipient for 2018 will also be performing. His program will include pieces for organ and chamber string ensemble, directed by Dr. Charlene Archibeque.

Organ students of Chapter organ teacher will be performing. **Kirim Eom**, a former Frasier Scholarship winner will also play.

Please come enjoy an evening of beautiful music on the wonderful organ which has 3,113 pipes in 59 ranks at Sunnyvale Presbyterian.

No cost (free will offering) and a reception afterward! 🎵

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## Chapter Event Dates to Remember

- 🎵 **Student Recital, and Frasier Scholarship Winner Recital at Sunnyvale Presbyterian, 1 February 2019 at 7:30 PM.**
- 🎵 **Trip to the Five Wounds Portuguese National Church, 1375 East Santa Clara Street led by **Roger Inkpen** who renovated this very unique pipe organ built by Kimball. **2 March 2019. 3-5 PM****
- 🎵 **Lothar Bander mann Tribute Recital** featuring **Lothar's** music at **First Congregational Church of SJ, 31 March 2019. 4 PM.**
- 🎵 **Mary Ann Gee Memorial Recital** featuring **Aaron Tan** at **Campbell United Methodist, 17 May 2019**
- 🎵 **Annual Membership Meeting, TBD June 2019** 🎵

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## Five Wounds Portuguese National Church



On **2 March 2019** at **3-5 PM** we have a trip to the **Five Wounds Portuguese National Church**, at 1375 East Santa Clara Street, San Jose led by **Roger Inkpen** who

renovated this very unique pipe organ built by Kimball. This is a joint event with the Palo Alto/ Peninsula Chapter. Visit their web page for a picture <https://fivewoundschurch.org/fwc/>. Roger will explain the details of the restoration and there will be an open console. **Bring your shoes.**

Eleanor Muhawi, a young organist of our chapter gave recital there. Watch and hear this recital on YouTube at [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TkCw5dE9i\\_c&t=1558s](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TkCw5dE9i_c&t=1558s) and you will get a sense of the tonality and acoustics of this grand space. 🎵

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## Lothar Bander mann Tribute Recital



On **31 March 2019** at **4 PM** we will have a recital of Lothar's music at the **First Congregational Church of SJ** at 1980 Hamilton Ave, San Jose. Lothar has composed many pieces of music and we would like to honor him for his contribution. If you would play at this recital, please contact Susan Snook-Luther

at (408) 205-1299 or [spsl@sbcglobal.net](mailto:spsl@sbcglobal.net). . 🎵

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## WANTED

APPLICANTS FOR THE  
FRASIER ORGAN SCHOLARSHIP 2019

Here's an excellent New Year's resolution for you: encourage an eligible organ student to apply for the 2019 Frasier Organ Scholarship. As a reminder, the scholarship is open to current members of our San Jose chapter, and to organ students studying with or sponsored by current members (previous winners are not eligible). The Frasier Organ Scholarship will be awarded on the basis of demonstrated talent and potential, and must be used for specified continuing education in organ studies. The scholarship amount is \$1000.

You can find the 2019 scholarship qualifications/requirements, application and hymn list on our website. [www.agosanjose.org – Under “What’s New,” click on “Frasier Organ Scholarship”] If you have questions about the scholarship, please contact Valerie Sterk (valeriesterk@gmail.com). The deadline for sending the application (application form and two recommendations) is **March 15, 2019**; the auditions will be in early April or early May; and the winner will be notified soon after the auditions. Please encourage any potential scholarship applicants now! 🎵

### Next Executive Committee Meeting

The next meeting Tuesday **12<sup>th</sup> Mar, 2019** at **7:30 PM**  
Valerie Sterk’s Home: 2164 Talia Ave., Santa Clara, CA

### New Phone Number

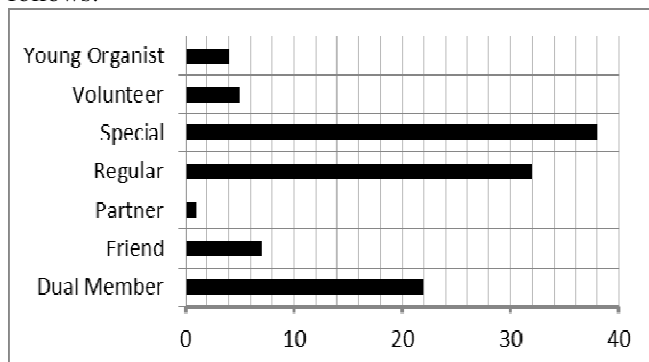
Carolyn Lamkey (408) 500-2346

### New Address

Myrna Emata PO Box 1630, Morgan Hill, CA 95038

## OUR CHAPTER MEMBERSHIP

As of the end of 2018 our chapter members are as follows:



## North German *Adbendmusik*



► **Margaret Kvamme**, organ,  
**Vlada Moran**, organ,  
“A North German *Adbendmusik* with Bach, Candlelight and

works by Buxtehude, Böhm, Reincken, Tunder and J. S. Bach”, Saturday 23 March 2018 Peace Church (UCC), 900 High St., Santa Cruz, 7:30 PM, Pre-concert talk at 6:45 PM. 🎵

## An Interesting Arrangement of Jesu, Joy of Man’s Desiring

This is a **rolling ball on tuned wooden bars**. This is in the Hokkaido University Botanical Gardens operated by Hokkaido University. They are located in Sapporo, Hokkaidō, Japan,

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yWv21DKwBFg> 🎵

## Mimi Blais, Queen of Ragtime Chris Bradshaw

**Mimi Blais**, will be performing Sunday, February 10<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 PM at the Advent Lutheran Church, 16870 Murphy Ave., Morgan Hill. Free will offering to benefit Advent’s Music Series.

Mimi Blais is a pianist, composer, actress, comedienne and arranger, known internationally for her specialization in ragtime music. Classically trained and equally at home with folk, jazz, blues and tango, she has performed solo, as accompanist, and as a featured performer in concerts and festivals around the world.

Any questions? eMail me at: [chris@bradshaw88.com](mailto:chris@bradshaw88.com)

In the words of Dr. Rosemary Hallum, excerpted from “Marvelous Mimi” in the American Rag:

“The ragtime world knows Mimi Blais as a wonderful ragtime pianist and performer, but she’s much more than that. This French Canadian multitasking lady is also a composer, arranger, teacher, actress, comedienne, stage director and writer. She’s been meteoric in her quick rise to ragtime fame; masterful in her technique, performance and understanding of several musical genres; magnetic in her personality and communication with her audiences; mighty in her command of the keyboard, especially those octave passages; and mischievous in her wit and humor. Her music speaks to the audience, caresses, tickles, charms, dazzles, and surprises...it touches the soul. What a woman! Mimi is indeed marvelous, both as a performer and as a person.”

Mimi has garnered unanimous praise from the public and the media in Canada, the United States, Europe and more recently in Argentina.

Check her website for more details. [www.mimiblais.com](http://www.mimiblais.com) and hear her on YouTube. 🎵

## AGO 2019 West Region Convention

June 30 July 3, 2019 · Orange County, California

[REGISTER NOW](#) for the  
[AGO 2019 West Region Convention](#)

The Orange County Chapter is proud to host the 2019 West Region Convention of the American Guild of Organists. We are excited to welcome members and other pipe organ enthusiast to our paradise. Here is a quick look.

## PROGRAM

As a convention attendee, you'll enjoy 13 concerts and recitals by a diverse group of artists, including **Paul Jacobs, Jaebon Hwang, Cherry Rhodes, Joseph Fala, James Walker, Weicheng Zhao** and more. Check out the entire list of artists on the convention website [www.agowest2019.com](http://www.agowest2019.com)

A few of the key venues include:

**Christ Cathedral** Arboretum, 4M/82R Aeolian-Skinner (Op 1141) built in 1947

**Concordia University, Irvine**, 3M/59R Casavant Frères (Op 3640) installed in 1988.

**Covenant Presbyterian Church**, 3M/58R Aeolian-Skinner, Op 1458, built in 1966 and expanded in 1998.

**Garden Grove United Methodist Church**, 3M/48R Reuter installed 1966.

**Renée and Henry Segerstrom Concert Organ**, 4M/75R, C.B. Fisk Organ (Op 130) tracker-action.

**St. John's Lutheran Church**, Orange, 5M/80R, 70 digital ranks built by RM Ballantyne and installed in 2016.

**Los Altos United Methodist Church.**, Simmons / Rosales / Bozeman tracker organ built by William B.D. Simmons in Boston in 1846. It is the oldest extant American-built organ to be found west of the Mississippi River.

Check out our convention website to view for additional details on the venues.

## REGISTRATION

Online registration is now open! Here is an overview of the early registration (until March 31<sup>st</sup>) rates:

Early – AGO \$350 - *a savings of \$45*

Special registration (65+) \$340 - *a savings of \$35*

O.C. Chapter Member registration \$340 - *a savings of \$35*

Student w/ID \$125      Non- AGO members \$425

## HOTEL & TRAVEL

The conveniently located Hotel Irvine will serve as convention headquarters for the AGO 2019 West Region Convention. The convention rate is \$135 per night, plus applicable taxes, and is available 3 days before and following the convention in case you'd like to explore more of beautiful Orange County. Parking at the hotel will be free to registered convention guests.

[Book a hotel room now at the preferred rates.](#)

The hotel is located at 17900 Jamboree Rd, Irvine, CA 92614. Reservation telephone number is (877) 614-2137.

## TRANSPORTATION

Take advantage of our affordable bus transportation to all convention venues for only \$100. Avoid the traffic, also some of the convention venues have extremely limited parking.

## CONNECT WITH US

If it's been a while, be sure to visit our updated web site at [www.agowest2019.com](http://www.agowest2019.com) and like our [Facebook page](#). We'll be sharing lots of content on social media.

We hope to see you this coming summer in Orange County!! **Sincerely,**

**The AGO 2019 West Region Steering Committee**

Copy and Paste links are here:

Convention registration: <http://www.cvent.com/d/zbqc7j>

Hotel reservations: [bit.ly/2SBtIAq](http://bit.ly/2SBtIAq) 🎵

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## Pipe Organ Encounters

The following is a list of Pipe Organ Encounters: <https://www.agohq.org/education/poe/>

POE (13-18)

July 15-20 Cape Cod, Massachusetts

July 14-19 Seattle, Washington

July 28-August 3 St. Louis, Missouri

POE Advanced: June 23-28 Houston, Texas 🎵

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## OPEN POSITIONS

**St. Thomas Episcopal Church** at 231 Sunset Ave. in Sunnyvale is seeking an **organist/pianist** to accompany its mixed choir of sixteen voices. The repertoire ranges from Palestrina to modern sacred anthems and everything in between. Responsibilities would include the following:

- Attend and accompany the choir at rehearsal on Thursdays, 7:30-9pm
- Accompany the Sunday morning services 9:45am-12pm (4 hymns and choir anthem)
- Provide suitable music for a prelude and postlude at the above services
- Be available for weddings, funerals, and special services throughout the church year

Support the work of the choir director.

Pay is commensurate with skill and experience. Knowledge of church music and liturgy preferred. Position to be filled as soon as possible. Please send resume and cover letter to the Rev. Salying Wong, rector of St. Thomas: [pastorsalying@stthomas-svale.us](mailto:pastorsalying@stthomas-svale.us) 🎵

**First Covenant Church of Oakland**, 4000 Redwood Rd, Oakland, is looking for an **Organist**. The FCC Organist to serve in a part-time hourly position.

**Job duties include but are not limited to:**

- Accompanying Choir & Worship with Organ and/or Piano for Sunday worship and special musical event.
- Attending and accompanying weekly choir rehearsals and any additional scheduled rehearsals.
- Part-Time Hourly position
- Number of hours per month & compensation are negotiable upon agreement; includes a flat performance stipend per Sunday performance and hourly rate for scheduled rehearsals. No benefits.
- Competence in Multi-Cultural Worship Leadership, Musical Performance, Theory and/or Education
- Ability to excellently perform classical and contemporary church music on piano and Aeolian-Skinner Organ

**Contact:** Pam Grove, [hblady75@gmail.com](mailto:hblady75@gmail.com), 510-703-4453

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## BALDWIN ELECTRONIC ORGAN FOR SALE

**\$200** or best offer

This American made instrument (Model C630 Serial # 1809-B3) has two manuals, internal speakers and it comes with bench. It has been used and may have some signs of cosmetic wear, but it is fully operational. A complete pedal board will allow you to practice organ techniques at the comfort of your home. You can play popular music or if your ambition is to play of the classical organ masters – on this instrument you can do both.

Potential buyers please call **John** at (925) 348-1284 or send me an e-mail to [janrudz@yahoo.com](mailto:janrudz@yahoo.com). The organ is located in San Leandro, CA. 🎵

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## Our AGO Yahoo Group

**Only 62%** of our chapter members use our AGO Yahoo Group. A lot of AGO information is sent out using the Yahoo Group.

**If you are not a member of our AGO Yahoo Group, you can subscribe** by sending a blank email to the address “[agosanjose-subscribe@yahoo.com](mailto:agosanjose-subscribe@yahoo.com)” with the subject: “Subscribe.” 🎵

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## Basilica Goes Baroque!

NoonArts & Lectures Series  
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# Basilica Goes Baroque!

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a Meet-the-Artist lecture performance

**Friday, February 15, 2019 1PM**

Cathedral Basilica of St. Joseph, 80 S. Market St., downtown San Jose  
Suggested \$5 door donation [www.NoonArtsAndLectures.org](http://www.NoonArtsAndLectures.org)

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Kathryn Campbell  
soprano

1880 Odell  
pope organ



*Kathryn Campbell and Stephen Boniface join forces in a bounty of Baroque beauty. This marriage of voice and metal pipe on an organ of baroque-era technology in Cathedral acoustics will transport you three centuries and back in a single lunch hour.*

*Viva Baroque!*

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## MUSIC CALENDAR CONTINUED

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### March 2019

#### 3 Sunday

**Laura Wiley**, Flute, **David McFarland**, Guitar, **CSMA**, 4 PM, \$10

#### 10 Sunday

**Brett Patterson** (St. Mary's Cathedral, Colorado Springs), organ, **St. Mark's Episcopal Church**, 2300 Bancroft Way, Berkeley, **Evensong at 5 PM, Concert at 6:05 PM**

#### 17 Sunday

**The Bach-a-thon is back!**, Chapter members perform, **St. John's Lutheran Church**, 1701 L Street, **Sacramento**, fund-raiser for our Young Organists Scholarship Fund, **2-5 PM**

#### 17 Sunday

**Oliver Brett**, organ, **CSMA**, 4 PM, \$10

#### 17 Sunday

**Paulette Grundeen**, organ, & **Choir**, **Katherine McKee**, director, **St. Bede's Church**, 2650 San Hill Rd, Menlo Park, 4 PM

#### 23 Saturday

► **Margaret Kvamme**, organ, **Vlada Moran**, organ, “**A North German Abendmusik with Bach, Candlelight and works by Buxtehude, Böhm, Reincken, Tunder and J. S. Bach**”, **Peace Church (UCC)**, 900 High St., Santa Cruz, **7:30 PM**, Pre-concert talk at 6:45 PM

#### 24 Saturday

**Polyphonics**, **Cal Poly concert choir**, director **Scott Glysson**, **CSMA**, 4 PM

#### 31 Sunday

☪ **Lothar Bandermann Tribute Recital** at **Congregational Church of San Jose**, 1980 Hamilton Ave, San Jose, 4 PM

## AGO San Jose Music Calendar

### Venue Locations

**CSMA:** Cathedral of St Mary of the Assumption, 1111 Gough St., San Francisco

**CUMC:** Campbell United Methodist Church, 1675 Winchester Blvd. Campbell

**GC:** Grace Cathedral, 1100 California St. San Francisco

☉ Chapter Event    ➤ Chapter Member

### Every Saturday at 4 PM

**Organ,** Legion of Honor, Lincoln Park, 34<sup>th</sup> Ave & Clement St., San Francisco.  
Jonathan Dimmock, organist

## February 2019

### **1 Friday**

☉ **Student Recital** and **Frasier Scholarship Winner Recital (Howard Lee)** at **Sunnyvale Presbyterian**, 728 W Fremont Avenue, Sunnyvale, **7:30 PM**

### **3 Sunday**

**Wyatt Smith**, organ, **GC, 4 PM, \$10**

### **3 Sunday**

**Christoph Tietze**, organ, **CSMA, 4 PM, \$10** (Please note change of artist)

### **10 Sunday**

"Mendelssohn Mania", **Marian Metson**, & **Nancy Metzger**, piano, organ, and vocal music

celebrating the composer's 210th birthday, **St. Paul's Episcopal Church**, 1430 J Street, **Sacramento, 2 PM**

### **10 Sunday**

**Michael Hey**, organ, **Davies Symphony Hall**, 201 Van Ness Ave, **San Francisco, 3 PM**

### **10 Sunday**

**Young People's Symphony Orchestra Showcase Concert.** Soloists from California oldest youth orchestra performing their repertoire, **CSMA, 4 PM**

### **10 Sunday**

**Mimi Blais, The Queen of Ragtime.** Pianist & composer, **Advent Lutheran Church**, 16879 Murphy Ave, Morgan Hill, **5:30 PM**, Free will offering

### **10 Sunday**

**Gail Archer** (Barnard College, Columbia University), organ, **St. Mark's Episcopal Church**, 2300 Bancroft Way, Berkeley, **Evensong at 5 PM, Concert at 6:05 PM**

### **15 Friday**

**Basilica Goes Baroque!** **Stephen Boniface**, organ, **Kathryn Campbell**, soprano, **Cathedral Basilica of St.**

**Joseph**, 80 S. Market St, San Jose t **1 PM, \$5**

### **17 Sunday**

**Hans Uwe Hielscher** (Germany), organ, **CSMA, 4 PM, \$10**

### **24 Sunday**

➤ **Mark Bruce**, organ, **CSMA, 4 PM, \$10**

## March 2019

### **2 Saturday**

**Making Music with Friends and by Friends; Paul Carmona**, organ, **St. Dunstan's Episcopal Church**, 28005 Robinson Canyon Road, Carmel, CA, **2-4 PM, \$20**

### **2 Saturday**

☉ Trip to the **Five Wounds Portuguese National Church**, 1375 East Santa Clara Street, San Jose. Led by ➤ **Roger Inkpen** who renovated this very unique pipe organ built by Kimball. Joint event with the Palo Alto/Peninsula Chapter, open console.

**3-5 PM**

### **3 Sunday**

**Bachman/Keady Duo**, organ, **GC, 4 PM, \$10**

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