

# Organ Teachers in the San Jose Area

**Michael Burroughs:** Santa Cruz (408) 836-6839 [michael@stfranciswillowglen.org](mailto:michael@stfranciswillowglen.org)

Level: Teach beginning to advanced: Organ and Piano

Ed: Virginia Intermont College, BA Music Performance (piano)

U of CO, MM organ; East TN State; U MA counseling: CDSP: MTh Theology

**Melanie Cervi:** Monterey (408) 358-6568 [melaniej cervi@gmail.com](mailto:melaniej cervi@gmail.com)

Level: I can teach any level, but prefer not to work with those focusing on Theater style or jazz.

Member of the California Music Teacher Association.

**Richard Coulter:** Los Gatos (408) 395-0909 [frandick@comcast.net](mailto:frandick@comcast.net)

Level: I teach organ--up to middle level--that is, not extremely advanced. My students will have to have a place to practice since I don't work in a church. I can teach at St. Luke's however.

Ed: Graduate of the University of Idaho (BS in Music Education)

Master of Sacred Music degree from Union Theological Seminary (NYC)

**Angela Kraft Cross:** San Mateo area [kraftcrossa@yahoo.com](mailto:kraftcrossa@yahoo.com)

Level: I definitely teach organ! I teach all levels and all ages! And I am thrilled to say that my student, Dominic Pang is the regional champ at the AGO Quimby competition!

Ed: Bachelors in Organ Performance, Oberlin Conservatory of Music

Studied seriously in France over 20 years

Founding director and president of the San Francisco Peninsula Organ Academy which provides generous scholarships and lead young concert-level organists on intensive study trips to France.

**Barry Ford:** San Jose (408) 656-5812 [bfordca@gmail.com](mailto:bfordca@gmail.com)

Level: I teach to AGO level – piano, organ and music theory, medium to advanced level

Ed: Licentiate of the Royal Academy of Music (London, LRAM)

Associate of the Royal College of Organists (London, ARCO)

Bachelor of Music (organ performance, London University, B.Mus)

**Diane Keller:** Sunnyvale (408) 835-6454 [diane.keller@gmail.com](mailto:diane.keller@gmail.com)

Level: I teach all levels.

**Margaret Kvamme:** Los Gatos (408) 356-4267 [margaret.m.kvamme@gmail.com](mailto:margaret.m.kvamme@gmail.com)

Level: from about level 5 (CM piano) to advanced. Also music theory and ear training (all levels) and basic conducting.

**Jin Kyung Lim:** Santa Clara (217) 637-3058 [jin.jsbach@gmail.com](mailto:jin.jsbach@gmail.com)

Level: Beginning to Advanced levels in piano, organs, & harpsichord including music theory, keyboard harmony, & basso continuo practice.

Ed: DMA degree in Performance and Literature from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

**Christine Merjanian:** San Jose (408) 224-9876 [christinemer@sbcglobal.net](mailto:christinemer@sbcglobal.net)

Level: Beginner to medium difficulty. Also piano beginning to college entrance levels.

Ed: Bachelor of Music in piano performance, Biola University.

**Dian Ruder:** Sunnyvale (408) 821-2172 [dianruder@comcast.net](mailto:dianruder@comcast.net)

Level: Beginner through intermediate, with basic piano skills

Ed: B.S., B.A., M.A. in organ, SJSU

**Susan Snook-Luther:** Saratoga (408) 205-1299 [spsl@sbcglobal.net](mailto:spsl@sbcglobal.net)

Level: Beginning organists.

**Valerie Sterk:** Santa Clara (408) 249-5705 [vssterk@aol.com](mailto:vssterk@aol.com)

Level: Beginner through intermediate levels,

Ed: Calvin College (Bachelor in Music), Stanford University (Ph.D. in Musicology).

**Dr. James Welch:** Palo Alto (650) 400-3278 [james@welch.net](mailto:james@welch.net)

I teach all levels of organ instruction.

Ed: DMA, Stanford University, [www.welchorganist.com](http://www.welchorganist.com)