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"The deadline for newsletter submissions is the 25th of every month!"

ASHLEY SOSIS- NEWSLETTER EDITOR

A MESSAGE FROM OUR DEAN

Dear Colleagues:

It was great to see so many old friends at our kick-off, and even more wonderful to see so many new faces to add to our chapter!! Many thanks to Roger for hosting such a fantastic event. I'll look forward to having an equally wonderful turn-out at our September meeting- I know you'll all want to come hear about the upcoming Church Music Conference! Also, be thinking about what spooky piece you'd like to play on our members' recital!! Contact Michael Corzine for more information, or to get on the program.

Happy fall !!!!

Elizabeth LaJeunesse

Websites of interest to Organists

The American Guild of Organists Positions Available Website Gets a Makeover

[Http://www.agohq.org/profession/indexjobs.html](http://www.agohq.org/profession/indexjobs.html)

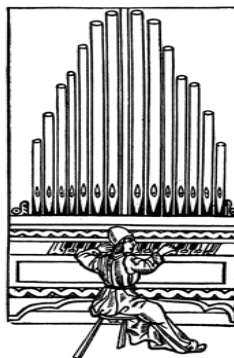
By: Ashley Sosis

This Positions Available Website accessible from the American Guild of Organists main webpage has gone through a format change to reflect its new association with www.jobtarget.com.

Because the website's data is being managed by Job Target, it now has many of the same features found on an online job database-- an option to create an account, upload a resume, or access resources on preparing a professional portfolio. Jobs are no longer separated by AGO regions, but appear as hits on a search list. The list no longer is limited to submissions made specifically to the AGO, but also includes jobs from the Job Target database. Because of their inclusion of the words "director," and "music," a job opening at a radio station for a music program director and an opening for a legal director at an online music store occur close to the end of the list.

Before the format shift of this summer, the last change that the website implemented was the requirement of a password. To ensure that only AGO members could fully access job posting database, a code from the TAO magazine had to be entered into the fields of a pop up window in order to access the specifics of each job posting. Due to the format change, a password is no longer required to access complete information about each job. In fact, most of the website's new features facilitate public access to the information included on the database. On each job posting, there is a button that users can click to send the page's information to others via e-mail, or automatically create a post about the job position on their personal social networking account.

If the database is now open to the public, perhaps it is a consolation that the AGO Positions Available website is somewhat of a well kept secret. However, if you look up the article, "How to Find a Church Organist Job" on www.e-how.com, the article advises, "to find job openings, first visit the American Guild of Organists website."



NATIONAL NEWS

AMERICAN GUILD OF ORGANISTS ELECTS 2010–2012 NATIONAL COUNCIL

Election Results Announced at AGO National Convention in Washington, D.C.

July 15, 2010

NEW YORK CITY — The AMERICAN GUILD OF ORGANISTS (AGO) announces a newly elected National Council for a term of two years, July 1, 2010–June 30, 2012. Election results were reported on Wednesday, July 7, during the AGO Annual Meeting, held in conjunction with the AGO National Convention in Washington, D.C. Members of the newly elected National Council include four national officers, four national councillors with portfolio, and nine regional councillors drawn from across the country. The non-voting executive director serves as an ex officio member of Council.

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“The process of nominating candidates to the National Council requires a coordinated effort among ten committees comprising more than 50 volunteers,” reported AGO Executive Director James Thomashower. The AGO National Nominating Committee and nine Regional Nominating Committees identified 34 candidates for nomination to the 17 positions on Council. Of the 34 candidates, 13 were incumbents who were eligible for renomination. All 13 were renominated and reelected.

“The members of the 2010–2012 National Council will have an extremely busy agenda addressing the many action items that the Task Force on Long-Range Planning has recently submitted and recommended for implementation,” declared Thomashower. “The new Council is well equipped to meet these challenges as four new Council members bring fresh stores of talent and energy to the table complementing the experience of our 13 returning members.”

The election was held from April 1 through June 1 and managed by Intelliscan Inc., an independent election management firm engaged by the AGO to administer the election, receive the ballots, and tabulate the results. The total number of ballots cast was 5,358, compared with 3,828 in the 2008 election; 3,791 in 2006; and 2,748 in the 2004 election, the first election in which electronic balloting was made available.

In each of the four Council positions for which there was no incumbent, a woman and a man were nominated. In each instance, the woman was elected. Women now make up the majority of Council members by a nine to eight margin, and a majority of the Regional Councillors by a five to four margin. This would appear to be the first time in the Guild’s history that women represent a majority of the members of Council.

September & October Concerts & Musical Events

Sept. 17th University Symphony Orchestra Concert
Opperman Music Hall, Florida State University- 8pm

TALLAHASSEE AGO EVENT:

Preview of 2011 Church Music Conference

Tuesday, September 28th @ 7:00 PM

St. John's Episcopal Church, Choir Room

Oct. 2nd FSU Faculty Recital- Karey Fowler, Piano
St. Paul's United Methodist Church- 3pm

Oct. 10th St. John's Episcopal Church Organ Recital & Choral Evensong
Dr. Mark Coffey, Director of Music and Organist at First Presbyterian Church, Gainesville, FL- 3:30pm
St. John's Episcopal Church Choral Evensong
St. John's choirs will sing music of Herbert Howells- 4pm
Childcare provided.

Oct. 23rd Tallahassee Symphony Orchestra Concert
Tallahassee Symphony Orchestra presents: Prokofiev: Symphony no 1 in D major, Op. 25 "Classical"; Mendelssohn: Hebrides Overture, in B minor Op. 26 "Fingal's Cave"; Beethoven: Symphony no 3 in E flat major, opus 55 "Eroica". Ruby Diamond Auditorium- 8pm

TALLAHASSEE AGO EVENT : Halloween Concert

Friday, October 29th @ 7:30 PM

St. John's Episcopal Church



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