

The Lehigh Valley Chapter of the American Guild of Organists is pleased to invite you to attend a Pipe Organ Encounter in historic Bethlehem, PA. This exciting six-day event is designed especially for youth ages 13-18.

Highlights of the week include:

- ◆ Daily lessons
- ◆ Scheduled practice time every day
- ◆ Classes in literature and registration
- ◆ Faculty Recitals and a final POE Student Recital
- ◆ Visit to a local organ builder
- ◆ Tour of an organ chamber
- ◆ Organ Crawl to see and hear church and theatre organs in the Lehigh Valley
- ◆ Camaraderie, new friends, and new ideas to inspire your own creativity
- ◆ Social events and sightseeing

Faculty and Presenters

A distinguished faculty will provide recitals, daily instruction, and group workshops. These include Paul Jacobs, Paul Carroll, Thomas Dressler, Dennis Elwell, Lou Carol Fix, Pauline Fox, Ethel Geist, Timothy Harrell, Russell Jackson, Michael Krentz, Jacqueline R. Kuba, Mark Laubach, Nathan Laube, Marvin Mills, Shelly Moorman-Stahlman, William Nash, and David Schelat.

Organ lessons will be given on a variety of organs both on and close to the campus of Moravian College in Bethlehem, PA.

Transportation Bethlehem, the "Christmas City", is located in the Lehigh Valley of eastern PA. It is easily accessible by air (ABE Airport), Greyhound bus, and Interstate 78. Students traveling by public transportation can be met by a POE staff member if needed. Please include this on the "special needs" portion of the application. You may visit on the web at www.bethlehempa.org or www.lehighvalleypa.org for more information about the area. Invite your family to enjoy a vacation in the region while you enjoy the POE.

Student Requirements All keyboard students ages 13 through 18 are eligible to attend. Prior organ study is not required but basic keyboard skills are required.

Registration Your registration fee covers lodging, meals, lessons and materials, recitals, group workshops, local transportation, special events, and a one-year student membership in the American Guild of Organists. The cost of transportation to and from Bethlehem is the student's responsibility.

Applications will be processed in the order they are received until all spaces are filled. Enrollment is limited to 30. Priority will be given to those applicants responding by March 31, 2009. Applications must be postmarked by March 31, 2009 to qualify for early bird registration fee.

Some scholarship assistance is available. Contact your local AGO chapter, local religious bodies and schools, or the POE Director to request assistance.

For more information, contact:

Maria Prochnau, LVAGO POE Director
4303 Bedford Drive, Bethlehem, PA 18020
610-694-0525 nemp@rcn.com
www.LVAGO.org

Accommodations Housing is on the campus of Moravian College, Bethlehem, PA. All rooms are double occupancy. You will receive your meals on campus and stay in the college dormitory (Sunday evening through Friday noon). There will be full-time supervision and assistance by POE staff.

Pipe Organ Encounters is an educational outreach program of the American Guild of Organists. Major funding for Pipe Organ Encounters is provided by the Associated Pipe Organ Builders of America. Additional support is provided by the American Institute of Organbuilders, Margaret R. Evans, and the Arnold and Marie Schwartz Fund. Permanently endowed AGO scholarships are provided in memory of Charlene Brice Alexander, Robert S. Baker, Seth Bingham, Clarence Dickinson, Philip Hahn, Charles N. Henderson, Alfred E. Lunsford, Ruth Milliken, Ned Siebert, and Martin M. Wick; and in honor of Philip E. Baker and Morgan and Mary Simmons.

Pipe Organ Encounter Registration Form

June 21-26, 2009

Bethlehem, PA

Name

Mailing Address - Street

City, State, Zip

Telephone (s)

Student E-mail address

Parent E-mail address

Date of Birth

Grade in School

Check One: Male _____ Female _____

Years of piano study _____ Years of organ study _____

Recent repertoire you have studied

Dates/Places of POEs previously attended

Special Needs

Parent/Guardian Signature (required)

Parent/Guardian Name (printed)

Please send this completed form with a check payable to Lehigh Valley AGO POE.

Before March 31: \$400; After March 31: \$425

To: Gloria Snyder, POE Registrar
First Presbyterian Church
3231 Tilghman Street
Allentown, PA 18104-3496

Location of Organs that will be used in the
Pipe Organ Encounter

Bethlehem, PA

Cathedral Church of the Nativity
(Episcopal)
Central Moravian Church
Christ United Church of Christ
College Hill Moravian Church
First Presbyterian Church
Holy Trinity Lutheran Church
Lehigh University
Moravian College
Moravian Theological Seminary
Old Chapel (Moravian)
St. Anne's Catholic Church
St. John's Windish Lutheran Church
St. Matthew's Lutheran Church
St. Peter's Lutheran Church
Salem Lutheran Church
Trinity Episcopal Church
Wesley United Methodist Church

Allentown, PA

First Presbyterian Church
Muhlenberg College
19th Street Theatre
St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church

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