

Harrisburg Chapter of the American Guild of Organists (AGO)

Guidelines for Yocum Scholarship to Attend a Pipe Organ Encounter

What is a Pipe Organ Encounter?

Since 1988, Pipe Organ Encounters (POEs) have introduced more than 2,000 young people to the organ through instruction in organ playing, repertoire, history, design, and construction. A POE is a 4-5 day regional event organized by a local AGO chapter under the sponsorship of the national organization. It introduces teenagers and young adults to the world of the pipe organ providing private and group instruction, opportunities for ecumenical worship, and a chance for young musicians to meet others with similar interests.

Who can attend and what is required?

These regional summer organ music institutes are for students aged 13–18. Basic keyboard proficiency is required, although previous organ study is not necessary. The POE Advance is for advanced players who have already studied organ.

Purpose of the Yocum Scholarship:

- Encourage young people (ages 13 to 18) to gain an appreciation and understanding of the pipe organ through attendance at a POE sponsored by the American Guild of Organists.
- Provide financial assistance to make the above goal a possibility.

2012 Pipe Organ Encounter Locations (Preliminary List - Subject to change)

- **June 4-9, 2012**
CENTRAL TEXAS CHAPTER
Baylor University
Waco, Texas
Joyce Jones, DMA, FAGO
Baylor University School of Music
One Bear Place, Box 97408
Waco, Texas 76798-7408
254-710-1417 254-710-1417
joyce_jones@baylor.edu
www.baylor.edu
- **June 10-15, 2012**
HOLLAND AREA CHAPTER
Hope College
Holland, MI
Elizabeth Claar, DMA, CAGO
67 West 19th Street
Holland, MI 49423
616-392-7172 616-392-7172
elizabeth.claar@gmail.com
www.hollandareaago.org
- **July 15-20, 2012**
SOUTH DAKOTA CHAPTER
Augustana College
Sioux Falls, SD
Marilyn Schempp, MM, SPC
809 Plum Creek Road
Sioux Falls, SD 57105

605-332-0038 605-332-0038

mmschempp@sio.midco.net

- **July 15-20, 2012**
WINCHESTER CHAPTER
Shenandoah University
Winchester, VA
Judy Connelly, MM, GPD
Braddock Street United Methodist Church
115 Wolfe Street
Winchester, VA 22601
540-667-3366 540-667-3366
jconnell@su.edu
www.agohq.org/chapter/winchester
- **July 16-21, 2012**
GAINESVILLE CHAPTER
The University of Florida
Gainesville, FL
John T. Lowe Jr., DM, CAGO
Holy Trinity Episcopal Church
100 NE 1st Street
Gainesville, FL 32601
352-372-4721 352-372-4721
Lowe@holytrinitygmv.org
www.agohq.org/chapters/gainesville
- **July 22-28, 2012**
SAN DIEGO CHAPTER
University of San Diego
San Diego, CA
Kimberly Bedell, MA
17185 West Bernardo Drive #106
San Diego, CA 92127
619-787-2992 619-787-2992
markkim@me.com
www.agosd.org

2012 PIPE ORGAN ENCOUNTER ADVANCED

Pipe Organ Encounter Advanced is an auditioned, week-long summer organ program for students ages 14–18, who are currently studying organ at a level where a rigorous and comprehensive program is more appropriate. Lessons and classes are taught by an artist faculty. Those students seeking admission will submit an unedited recording of their playing to the POEA Director for evaluation. Contact the Director for application information.

- **July 22-27, 2012**
BLOOMINGTON CHAPTER
Indiana University
Bloomington, IN
David K. Lamb, DM, CAGO
First United Methodist Church
618 8th Street
Columbus, IN 47201
812-376-4139 812-376-4139
lambda61@sbcglobal.net
music.indiana.edu/departments/academic/organ

Terms of the Yocum Pipe Organ Encounter Scholarship

- Student should have keyboard proficiency, but prior organ experience is not necessary.
- Student will attend a Pipe Organ Encounter sponsored by a Chapter of the American Guild of Organists.
- Student will receive full tuition for the Pipe Organ Encounter from Harrisburg Chapter AGO.
- Student is responsible for registering for the event.
- Student is responsible for transportation to and from the location.
- Student is responsible for music, organ shoes or other supplies required by teachers.
- Student will give a written report of their experience to the Harrisburg Chapter Education Chair upon returning from the Encounter, and no later than September 15 to Shelly Moorman-Stahlman, 2200 Brandt Road, Annville, PA 17003 <moorman@lvc.edu> (Electronic file emailed is preferred).
- Student will be given a one-year student membership in The American Guild of Organists by the Pipe Organ Encounter Committee.
- Student will be invited to participate in a Chapter recital if appropriate.

Application form attached. Applications must be postmarked by February 28, 2012.

**Harrisburg Chapter of the American Guild of Organists
Application for Yocum Pipe Organ Encounter Scholarship**

Name of Student _____ Telephone _____

Address _____

Student Email _____

Parent / Guardian's Name _____ Telephone _____

Address (if different) _____

Parent Email _____

Age of student _____ Current School Grade _____

Number of Years Studying Piano _____ Organ (if applicable) _____

Name(s) of Teacher(s) _____

Other Instruments Studied _____ Number of Years _____

Which POE event do you hope to attend? _____

Commitment statement from student:

As a participant in a Pipe Organ Encounter, I will work to learn about the organ. I will endeavor to bring home what I learn, and, if I am able, to continue to study and work toward proficiency at the organ.

Signature of Student _____

Commitment statement for Parent/Guardian:

I promise to support and encourage my child in the study of organ.

Signature of Parent/Guardian _____

Recommendation by current piano or organ teacher:

I recommend the above named student for consideration for a Pipe Organ Encounter scholarship.

Signature of Teacher _____ Phone _____

Send the completed application to Chapter Education Chair, Shelly Moorman-Stahlman, 2200 Brandt Road, Annville, PA 17003 postmarked by February 28, emailed to Shelly Moorman-Stahlman <moorman@lvc.edu>.