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MESSAGE FROM THE DEAN

Our luncheons at the Ocean Grill have been so successful. This month the first Wednesday falls on Ash Wednesday, therefore we will meet the following Wednesday, March 12th. RSVP with me.

Ray Adams has shared his itinerary (pages 10-13) for the Netherlands summer program that he and Joey Rumberger will once again attend. Space is limited; participants get to play on each instrument for 2-3 hours on their own. Contact Ray for any questions. This is his third trip.

Our member's recital has been rescheduled for June 1st at Trinity Episcopal Church in Vero on their Harrison and Harrison pipe organ. We are dedicating this event to our founder, Don Ingram. Please start planning now to attend and contact me with details as to what you'll perform. Afterwards, we will hold an election of new officers. This year we've decided to go out to dinner, details to follow.

We had a terrific event last month, The Life and Music of Charles Callahan. It was nice having everyone to my church, First United Methodist of Ft. Pierce. Dr. Neal Campbell led the workshop and several of us played, including our new scholarship student. Some pictures in this newsletter.

Please don't forget that my email address has changed. The Hotmail account is no longer. You can reach me at TCCAGOnewsletter@gmail.com. Please send me announcements, church events and/or anything you'd like published and I'll get it done.

We have a few months to get ready for the member's recital. This means it gives us more time to practice, prepare, change our minds, decide what will sound the best on the pipe organ at Trinity. It's been a while since I've played that organ and I'm excited!

Keep practicing!

Steve Giddens Dean TCCAGO



There will be a musical memorial service for Donald Ingram, our founding dean, on Saturday May 10 at St Peter's Church in Albany, New York, where Don served earlier in his career. There will be a musical tribute prior to the burial liturgy and three of Don's successor's at Trinity Episcopal Church in Vero Beach will participate, Neal Campbell, Jason Hobratschk, and Brady Johnson.

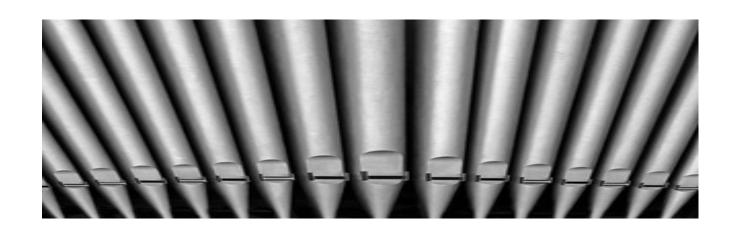
Interment will be at a later date in the columbarium of St. Paul's Cathedral in Buffalo, New York, where Don also served.

The photo above shows Don with his fellow Trinity organists in 2018 on the occasion of the 20th anniversary of the Harrison & Harrison organ in Trinity. Back row (L-R) Neal Campbell, Allen Bean, Brady Johnson, front Don Ingram, Jason Hobratschk





TCCAGO Chapter Lunch
Ocean Grill Vero Beach
The next luncheon will be
March 12, 2025 at 12 Noon
RSVP with Steve Giddens



TCCAGO EVENT SCHEDULE For the 2025 Season

*SUNDAY, June 1, 2025 at 4 pm—Members Recital In Honor of Donald Ingram, our founder, at Trinity Episcopal Church, Vero Beach, FL

(followed by election of officers 2025-26)

*Austin Organ Demo at St John of the Cross, Vero Beach, FL TBA

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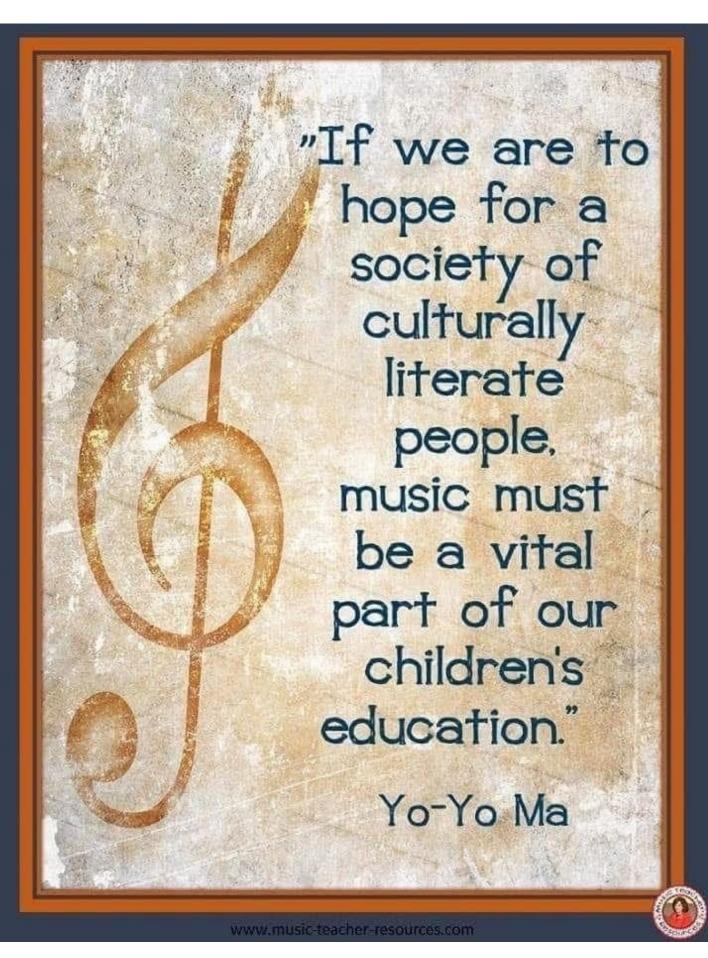
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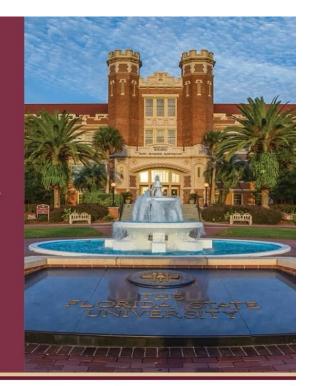
TCCAGO scholarship student, Amber Schichtel Performing at the Charles Callagan event Feb. 23rd



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Applications can be made online by March 1. For further details contact Dr. lain Quinn: iquinn@fsu.edu



ORGAN STUDIES WITH DR. IAIN QUINN

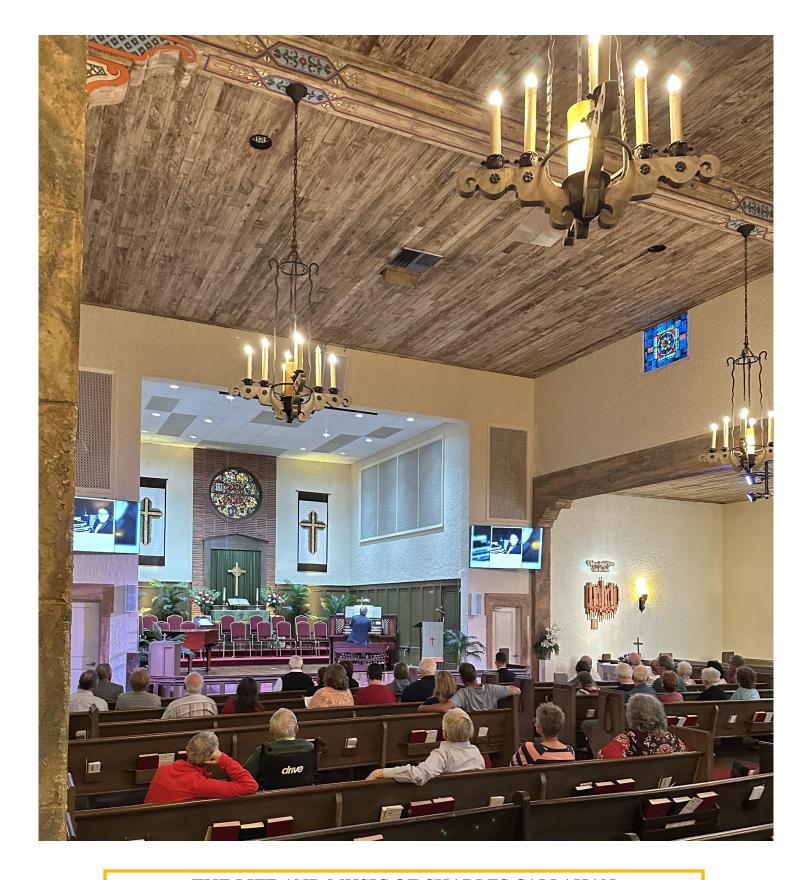


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NOORDBROEK ORGAN ACADEMY 2025

8 participants

NORTH GERMAN REPERTOIRE 17th CENTURY

- a maximum of 8 participants
- teachers: Christian Teeuwsen and Peter Westerbrink
- 11 Schnitger organs and Schnitger school (Hinsz, Freijtag, Von Holy)
- group lessons/private lessons on Schnitger and Schnitger school organs (Akerk, Uithuizen,

Zuidbroek, Midwolda, Norden)

- 3 lectures/seminars on interpretation
- 2 private lessons of 45 minutes, 2 private lessons of 30 minutes
- individual practice time: afternoon (1x) 90 minutes, evening (4x)
- participant's concerts

MONDAY XX-XX

20.00 Akerk

Openingsconcert: Christiaan Teeuwsen / Peter Westerbrink

TUESDAY 23-07

09.00-12.00 Akerk

registration and payment

Welcome meeting introduction to the organ (PW&CT)

Lecture 1 + class Stylus Phantasticus, traits through 16th/17thc

12.00-13.00 lunch

13.00-16.00 Akerk

Class PW Stylus Phantasticus: Reincken / Weckman / Bölsche

17.30-18.30 dinner Zuidbroek Paradiso

19.30-22.00 practice Farmsum 2

Zuidbroek 2

Noordwolde 2

Akerk/Midwolda 2

WEDNESDAY 24-07

09.00 Akerk

Lecture 2 + class

12.00 lunch

14:00-17.00 Midwolda lessons CT student 5-6-7-8 each 45 minutes

Zuidbroek practice student 5-6-7-8 each 45 minutes

Uithuizen lesson PW student 1-2-3-4 each 45 minutes

Zandeweer practice student 1-2-3-4 each 45 minutes

18.00-19.00 dinner Scheemda Chinese

19.30-22.00 practice Farmsum 2

Midwolda 2

Zuidbroek 2

Noordwolde 2

19.30 Akerk free playing student 5-6-7-8

Joey Rumberger & Ray Adams —Itinerary for the Netherlands

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THURSDAY 25-07
09.00-12.00 Akerk
Lecture 3 + class registration (Norden visit)
12.00 -12.30 lunch
13:30-16.30 Midwolda lessons CT student 1-2-3-4 each 45 minutes
Zuidbroek practice student 1-2-3-4 each 45 minutes
Uithuizen lesson PW student 5-6-7-8 each 45 minutes
Zandeweer practice student 5-6-7-8 each 45 minutes
18.00-19.00 dinner Veendam Pizzeria
19.30-22.00 practice Farmsum (2)
Appingedam (2)
Zuidbroek (2)
Noordwolde (2)
19.30 Akerk free playing student 9-10-11-12
FRIDAY 26-07
09.30-12.30 Norden (6 students) + Dornum (6 students)
13.30-16.30 same, students change
17.00 dinner Norden
19.00-20.00 Marienhafe
SATURDAY 27-07
Morning preparing concert Uithuizen and Midwolda
16.00 Uithuizen participants concert (4)
20.00 Midwolda participants concert (4)
SUNDAY 28-07
09.00 preparing concert Akerk
15.30-16.30 Akerk participants concert(4)
17.30 The "Last Supper" Pannenkoekenschip Slochteren
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We may make "slight" changes to the above schedule, however these changes are always to accommodate the students involved, with the impetus being to give you more opportunities to practice on

these instruments.

Important!!

Some Academy protocols and items which are non-negotiable which helps this program run on time!

Time – time and being on time are imperative to make all things run smooth in this endeavor. We "Rent" historic churches (and, thus churches) for this academy and the cost is "per-hour specific." Please respect all others in this, and allow all involved to get the most out of the week!

Payment for the Noordbroek Academy.

- 400 Euros Academy Fee
- 60 Euros (rental of all organs and churches for the week)

Both fees (460 Euros) are to be paid upon entrance at the beginning of the Academy on Tuesday morning – 9:30am. This amount to be in cash/euros.

Travel

- Travel arrangements to Amsterdam-Schiphol Airport is up to the individual. (it has proven to be very helpful for participants to be in touch with each other regarding flight and arrival times so you can start to plan train travel, vehicle pick-up, and all else that will happen from here forward – below!

Want to save time/money=create a group chat).

- It takes approximately 2.5 hours to travel from Amsterdam-Schiphol airport to the City of Groningen by train.
- For the events or this week to be successful it is necessary for the twelve participants to have three rented vehicles (4 per car). The fee/fuel for this to be divided equally. If you are all ok with it, you should have one driver per vehicle. If more than one driver it costs more for that vehicle. Each day of the academy, groups move around for the sake of lessons, workshops, and practice times which take place on various historic organs and means some travel time. Having said this, the instruments are close to each other. Holland has a claim no other country can make -1 famous "Historical Organ every 3 square Kilometers"- True!
- We will have a zoom meeting once we have a group and work some travel items out.

B & B in Midwolda - Graanzicht (price for the week is 330 Euros)

- Arrive at the B & B which we have procured for this event by June 26.

Duration of stay:

Monday, June 26 is your first overnight stay at the Midwolda B & B, and your last night is Sunday night, July 2.

*If you miss this deadline you will still be required to pay for the room. We hold (and thus pay) for this

week in advance. Trust us, it is a beautiful place for all! Food is tops, and the area, rooms and food are also first rate. Cost for the week

Payment for meals is on each individual. One change we made last year which proved to be a money & time-saver; buying lunch meats, cheese, bread/fruit and making our own lunch on-site.

Cost was approx. 5 euros per. (see your schedule). Going out for lunch was approx. 12-15 euros.

Repertoire for the week:

Repertoire lists should be sent to teeuwsen@redeemer.ca

Works considered: Sweelinck, Scheidt, Scheidemann, Weckman, Tunder, Reincken, Praetorius,

Buxtehude, Böhm, Bruhns, Lübeck [Lesser known North-german composers].

Toccatas, Fantasias, Praeludium, Ciacona/Passacaglia, Partita, Variation sets, etc. (Please avoid pieces

that are longer ie: 9/10 minutes or more. These may work in lessons but not in the final performance).

Repertoire list should include two/three pieces that are performance ready prior to the week so they can

be studied to accommodate these instruments. Some repertoire may be too long to include in the

performance on the last day of the Academy, but may still be fine for personal lessons.

Please send in your list by: April 24 th.

We will finalize repertoire lists for the academy by the end of May, send back if suggestions are needed



JOEY RUMBERGER AND RAY ADAMS



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From Ryan Kasten —

The first major program with the new Austin organ will be the Duruflé Requiem on All Souls' Day, and I will do the dedicatory recital probably in January 2026. The organ is to sit and get acclimated for at least 6 months before we do any more programs besides weekend masses to be sure we have worked out any kinks and subtle voicing issues.



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