BASILICA OF THE NATIONAL SHRINE OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION



Summer Organ Recital Series 2025

2025 SUMMER ORGAN RECITAL SERIES 6:00 p.m., Great Upper Church

July 6 Adam Chlebek Washington, DC

July 13 Thomas Vozzella

Kansas City, Missouri

July 20 James Kibbie Ann Arbor, Michigan

July 27 Andrew Meagher Jefferson City, Missouri

> August 3 Gregory Hand Iowa City, Iowa

August 10 **Peter Latona** *Washington, DC*

August 17 **Benjamin LaPrairie** *Washington, DC*

August 25 **M. Chad Levitt** Saint Augustine, Florida

August 31 **Sarah Palmer** Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Each recital is preceded by a carillon recital at 5:30 р.м. Recitals are free and open to the public.

CARILLON RECITAL

half past five in the afternoon

Jeremy Ng

Carillonneur

"IRISH AIR" from A SWINGING SUITE

Sonatine

DREAM FOR CARILLON

Modal Nocturne

Geert D'Hollander (b. 1965)

> Stefano Colletti (b. 1973)

Naoto Ohmasa (b. 1954)

G. D'Hollander

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Jeremy Ng is a software engineer, a rising senior at Yale University pursuing a dual Bachelor of Science degree in Computer Science and Astrophysics, and a certified Carillonneur Member of the Guild of Carillonneurs of North America (GCNA). He has studied under Ellen Dickinson for three years and joined the Yale University Guild of Carillonneurs in 2022. This past summer, he helped to organize and performed in the Yale Summer Carillon Concert Series at Harkness Tower as Co-Summer Carillonneur, and has performed on carillons across the United States, Belgium, Germany, and the Netherlands. Jeremy is also an accredited member of the American Guild of Organists (AGO) and studies organ under Dr. Mark Brombaugh.

Before Yale, Jeremy spent four years in the Manhattan School of Music Precollege Division, studying piano with Efrem Briskin and cello with David Geber. A seasoned performer, he has performed as a pianist at Carnegie Hall and has played cello and organ in numerous orchestral ensembles – most recently with the Yale Symphony Orchestra. He has also studied conducting under William Boughton and now leads the Yale Davenport Pops Orchestra as Head Conductor.

The recital is played on the **Knights' Tower Carillon of Fifty-Six Bells**, manufactured under a joint contract by the Foundries of Les Fils de Georges Paccard of Annecy-le-Vieux, France, and Petit and Fritsen, Ltd. of Aarle-Rixtel, Holland.

Organ Recital

six o'clock in the evening

Adam Chlebek

Organist

Please hold applause until the interval & conclusion of the program. All are welcome to greet the organist in the Narthex following the recital.

Fanfare

John Cook (1918–1984)

Concerto in D minor, BWV 596, after Vivaldi

i. [...] ii. Grave iii. Fuga iv. Largo e spiccato v. [...]

CHORAL NO. 1 IN E MAJOR

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685–1750)

> César Franck (1822–1890)

Interval

A free will offering will be taken at this time. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

SUITE BRÈVE (1947) ii. Cantilène

PSALM PRELUDE, SET 2, NO. 1 (DE PROFUNDIS)

Prelude et Fugue sur le nom d'Alain, Op. 7

Jean Langlais (1907–1991)

Herbert Howells (1892–1983)

Maurice Duruflé (1902–1986)

BIOGRAPHY



Adam Chlebek serves as the Assistant Director of Music at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. A Polish-American from Chicago, Illinois, he completed his Master of Music in Organ Performance at the Eastman School of Music in the studio of Nathan Laube. He earned second prize at the 2022 Taylor Organ Competition and was a finalist in the 2024 Elizabeth Stephens International Organ Competition. Adam has performed throughout the United States and Poland and has participated in masterclasses with organists Janette Fishell, William Porter, and Arvid Gast. In 2022, he served as the first Sacred Music Intern at the Basilica.

Adam is a graduate of the Oberlin Conservatory of Music, where he earned his Bachelor of Music in Organ Performance with Jonathan Moyer; there, he also focused on choral singing and conducting. He sang in the Oberlin Musical Union, under the direction of Gregory Ristow, and Collegium Musicum, under the direction of Steven Plank; and studied choral conducting with Jodi Kerchner and Ben Johns. Adam likewise participated as a jazz pianist in Oberlin's Performance and Improvisation Ensemble, performing with Jamey Haddad, Jay Ashby, and Becca Stevens, among others.

As a Catholic musician, Adam previously served as the Director of Music at Saint Thomas More Parish in Rochester, New York, and at Saint James Parish in Lakewood, Ohio, and sang in the acclaimed Christ Church Schola Cantorum under the direction of Stephen Kennedy.

THE SOUTH GALLERY ORGAN

Möller (1964) Goulding & Wood (2000)

GREAT

32' Contre Violone 16' Violone 8' Principal 8' Chimney Flute 8' Viola 5 1/3' Grosse Quinte 4' Octave 4' Spitzflöte 2-2/3' Quinte 2' Super Octave 2' Blockflöte 1 1/3' Mixture IV 2/3' Scharf IV 16' Fagott 8' Trompete 4' Clarion 8' Pontifical Trumpet

SWELL

16' Contre Viole 8' Principal 8' Gedeckt 8' Viole 8' Viole Celeste 4' Octave 4' Traverse Flute 2 2/3 Twelfth 2' Flageolet 1-3/5' Seventeenth 2' Plein Jeu III-IV 1/2' Cymbale III 16' Contre Hautbois 8' Trompette 8' Hautbois 8' Voix Humaine 4' Clairon Tremulant

CHOIR

16' Quintaton
8' Principal
8' Orchestral Flute
8' Gemshorn
8' Gemshorn Celeste
4' Fugara
4' Chimney Flute
2' Zauberflöte
2/3' Carillon III
16' Bass Clarinet
8' Petite Trompette
4' Clairon
8' Pontifical Trumpet
Tremulant

POSITIV RIGHT

16' Singend Gedeckt
8' Holzgedeckt
4' Prinzipal
4' Holhflöte
2' Blockflöte
1' Sifflöte
2/3' Mixture IV
8' Cromorne
Tremulant

POSITIV LEFT

16' Geigen
8' Principal
8' Rohrflöte
4' Principal
4' Koppelflöte
2 2/3' Rohr Nasat
2' Octave
2' Spielflöte
1 3/5' Terzflöte
1 1/3' Quintflöte
1 1/3' Mixture IV
Tremulant

BOMBARDE

8' Diapason 8' Open Flute 4' Octave Major 2' Plein Jeu IV 1' Harmonics IV 16' Bombarde Harmonic 8' Trompete Harmonique 4' Clarion Harmonique 8' Pontifical Trumpet Tremulant

PEDAL

64' Gravissima 32' Contre Violone 32' Contre Bourdon 16' Principal 16' Bourdon 16' Violone (GT) 16' Gemshorn 16' Violone (SW) 16' Contrebasse 16' Quintaton (CH) 10 2/3' Grosse Quinte 8' Octave 8' Stopped Flute 8' Viole (GT) 4' Choralbass 4' Open Flute 2' Hohlflöte 4' Mixture IV 1 1/3' Acuta III 32' Contre Bombarde 16' Bombarde 16' Posaune 16' Basson (SW) 16' Fagott (GT) 8' Trumpet 4' Clairon 4' Rohr Schalmei

THE WEST CHANCEL ORGAN Möller (1964)

GREAT	SWELL	CHOIR	PEDAL
16' Bourdon	16' Gedeckt	16' Dolcan	32' Contre Bourdon
8' Principal	8' Principal	8' Spitzprincipal	16' Soubasse
8' Bourdon	8' Gedeckt	8' Rohrflöte	16' Bourdon (SW)
4' Octave	8' Viole	8' Dolcan	16' Gedeckt (SW)
4' Flute à Fuseau	8' Viole Celeste	8' Dolcan Celeste	16' Viole (GT)
2' Flute à Bec	4' Octave	4' Oktav	16' Dolcan (CH)
1 1/3' Mixture IV	4' Harmonic Flute	4' Blockflöte	8' Octave
8' Trompete	2' Gemshorn	2 2/3' Nazard	8' Stopped Flute
*	2' Plein Jeu III-IV	2' Principal	4' Choralbass
	16' Contre Hautbois	1 3/5' Tierce	4' Open Flute
	8' Trompette	1' Fourniture III	2 2/3' Rauschquinte II
	8' Hautbois	8' Corno di Bassetto	1 1/3' Mixture II
	4' Clairon	Tremulant	16' Bombarde
	Tremulant		16' Basson (SW)
			8' Bombarde
			4' Chalameu

The M.P. Möller organs of the Upper Church were dedicated on April 25, 1965, at a Mass celebrated by Francis Cardinal Spellman, Archbishop of New York. As a gift of Cardinal Spellman, the Catholic Chaplains, and military personnel of the United States, the organs are a resounding memorial to the many deceased chaplains and members of the armed forces. In the words of Cardinal Spellman, "May [the organs'] symphony remind us of the goodness, patriotism and faith of those who have gone before us."

Nearly thirty years after their installation, the Goulding and Wood organ company of Indianapolis, Indiana was contracted to build two new identical consoles, enabling both organs to be played by either and both consoles. The south gallery instrument also underwent pipework revisions and a slightly redesigned facade.

Combined, these monumental instruments house 9,393 pipes, from which 157 stops play 172 ranks. The largest pipe of the south gallery, standing at nearly 40 feet, weighs close to 900 pounds, while its smallest pipe is no bigger than a simple pencil.

Among the many acclaimed performances on the Basilica's organs, the legendary Olivier Messiaen (1908–1992) performed the world premiere of his *Méditations sur le Mystére de la Sainte Trinité* on the south gallery organ in 1972.

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