BASILICA OF THE NATIONAL SHRINE OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION



Summer Organ Recital Series 2024

2024 SUMMER ORGAN RECITAL SERIES 6:00 p.m., Great Upper Church

July 21 **Peter Latona** *Washington, DC*

July 28 Ralph Holtzhauser

Youngstown, Ohio

August 4 Andrew Kreigh Saint Louis, Missouri

August 11 **Charles Tompkins** *Greenville, South Carolina*

August 18 **Benjamin LaPrairie** *Washington, DC*

August 25 **David Stultz** Detroit, Michigan

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

CARILLON RECITAL

half past five in the afternoon

Robert Grogan Carillonneur

LES CLOCHES D'ORLÉANS (The Bells of Orleans Cathedral, 1753)

Dominus regit me, Op 55

Der Herr ist mein getreuer Hirt

SALVE REGINA (1877)

CANONIC ADAGIO, K. 410

PSALM 23: FOUR SETTINGS

Christophe Moyreau (1700-1774)

> Franz Liszt (1811-1886)

Wolfang Amadeus Mozart (1756-1791)

Carl Nielsen (1865-1931) Claude Goudimel (c. 1514-1572) Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

James Leith Macbeth Bain (1840-1925)

Petit Canon (from Trois Improvisations, 1911)

("Brother James's Air")

Mon Dieu me paist sous sa puissance haute

(Chorale from Cantata 212) The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want

> Nadia Boulanger (1887-1979)

Klokkeklang, Op. 54, No. 6 (Bell Ringing)

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Robert Grogan, Basilica Carillonneur (and Organist Emeritus), was first appointed to the National Shrine in 1964, becoming Organist in 1976. Upon retirement from his full-time position at the Basilica he was honored with knighthood in the papal order of St. Gregory the Great for his contributions to the art of sacred music. He has served as Dean of the District of Columbia chapter of the American Guild of Organists and as Chair of the DCAGO Foundation. His compositions for carillon, for organ and for choir have been published by the Guild of Carillonneurs in North America, H. W. Gray (Belwin/Mills), and E. C. Schirmer, and his recordings on the Basilica's keyboard instruments have appeared on Vista, Gothic, Musical Heritage Society and other labels.

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., Aarle-Rixtel, Holland.

Edvard Grieg (1843-1907)

Organ Recital

six o'clock in the evening

Peter Latona

Organist

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

Suite Médiévale

I. Prélude (Entrée) II. Tiento (Offertoire) III. Improvisation (Elévation) IV. Méditation (Communion) V. Acclamations (Sortie)

"Nigra sum," Antiphon III from Vêpres Commun

Marcel Dupré (1886–1971)

Scherzo, Op. 2

Maurice Duruflé (1902–1986)

Interval

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

Sonata No. 1 in D minor, Op. 42 I. Introduction and Allegro II. Pastoral III. Final Félix Alexandre Guilmant (1837–1911)

Jean Langlais (1907–1991)

BIOGRAPHY



Peter Latona (b. 1968) is the Music Director for the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C., the pre-eminent Marian shrine of the Roman Catholic Church in the United States. Recognized as a conductor, composer, organist, improviser and teacher, he is dedicated to providing the highest standard in sacred music within the context of the Roman Catholic Liturgy.

An award-winning organist, Dr. Latona has performed throughout the United States, Europe and the Holy Land, has presented workshops on improvisation, and has released a recording, *An Organ Pilgrimage*, on the Raven label, featuring all four pipe organs at the Basilica. In 2012 he performed to an audience of one thousand having been invited as a featured artist for the *Festspiele Europaische Wochen* in Passau, Germany.

As the conductor of the Choir of the Basilica, he has released numerous recordings of sacred choral music, presented concerts in the United States and abroad, performing nationally for the American Guild of Organists, National Pastoral Musicians Association, Conference of Roman Catholic Cathedrals, Church Music Association of America and internationally as a featured conductor in the *Festival Internazionale di Musica e Arte Sacra*. Among his recently completed recording projects are *Tu es Petrus: A Papal Tribute in Music*, which commemorates the Papacy of Pope Benedict XVI and celebrates the Petrine ministry of Pope Francis, and *Te Deum: The Sacred Music of Peter Latona*, which was commissioned by the Knights of Columbus and features many of the works composed by Dr. Latona for the National Shrine.

Dr. Latona's compositions are published by Morningstar Music Publishers as well as Canticanova Publications and G.I.A. His music has been featured in various media productions including Bishop Barron's well-known series *Catholicism*. He recently won first prize in a composition competition sponsored by the Conference of Roman Catholic Cathedral Musicians for his *Priests of God/Servants of God* and *Go into All the World*. He has received commissions from the Knights of Columbus, Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston, the Diocese of Helena, as well as by the Archdioceses of Washington, New York and Philadelphia. His music was performed during the Apostolic visit of His Holiness Benedict XVI to the United States in 2008 and in each city visited by Pope Francis during his 2015 Apostolic visit to the United States. In recognition of this accomplishment, Dr. Latona was awarded the *Pro Ecclesia et Pontifice* medal by Pope Francis. Dr. Latona also serves on the composition faculty of The Catholic University of America Benjamin T. Rome School of Music. Dr. Latona's teachers include Gerre Hancock, McNeil Robinson, Thomas Murray, and Jean Langlais; he is a graduate of Bucknell University (B. Mus.), the Yale School of Music (M. Mus.), and the Manhattan School of Music (D.M.A.).

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

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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