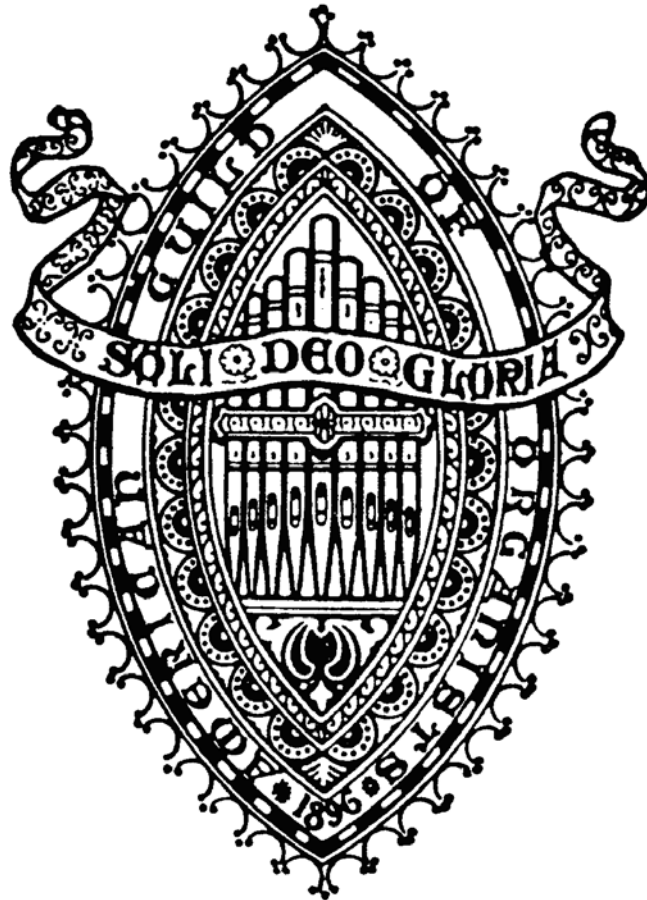


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## Directory of Officials 2017 - 2018

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## 2018 January Jubilee/February Flourish Events

January 13	Nashville (Nashville, Tenn.)	SE
January 26-27	Saint Louis (Saint Louis, Mo.)	NC
January 27	Lexington (Lexington, Kent.)	GL
February 24	Columbus (Columbus, Ohio)	GL

## 2018 Pipe Organ Encounters

### POE

June 17-22	Phoenix, Ariz.	WE
June 24-29	Twin Cities Chapter, Minneapolis/St. Paul, Minn.	NC
July 8-13	Philadelphia, Penn.	MA
July 16-21	Los Angeles, Calif.	WE
July 22-27	Central Florida (Stetson Univ. – Deland, Fla.)	SE

### POE-Plus

June 17-22	Rockford, Ill.	GL
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## The 2017 National AGO Pedagogy Conference

October 18-21	Lawrence, Kansas (The University of Kansas)	NC
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### *Regional Abbreviations:*

GL = Great Lakes / MA=Mid-Atlantic / NC=North Central / NE=Northeast / WE=West  
SW = Southwest / SE = Southeast

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## RESPONSIBILITIES OF AGO STANDING COMMITTEES

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**Responsibilities.** Each national committee of the American Guild of Organists is assigned by the National Council to enable a specific part of the mission of the Guild. The National Council assigns each committee to the oversight of one of the National Councillors, or may determine that a committee shall report to a National Officer, or directly to the National Council.

**Terms and Nominations.** Members and directors of national committees are appointed to two-year terms, in most cases beginning on July 1 of odd-numbered years. Members of the National Nominating Committee and the Personnel Committee begin their terms in even-numbered years. The terms for National Convention Coordinator members of the Committee for Conventions begin on July 1 of even-numbered years, while terms for former Regional Convention Coordinators begin on July 1 of odd-numbered years. The terms for the NYACOP and NCOI teams of the Competitions Committee will begin on July 1 of even-numbered years, while terms of the RCYO team of the Competitions Committee begin July of odd-numbered years. Appointment is made by the National Council, usually at its spring meeting prior to the beginning of the committee term. Appointment to Committee membership is determined by approval by the Council of a list of names submitted by the appropriate councilor or officer in charge of the respective Committee. Full discussions are allowed with potential nominees for appointed positions in order to determine their availability and willingness to serve before presenting names to the Council.

**Membership rotation.** To ensure a continuous rotation of qualified volunteers while providing continuity of leadership, no committee member or director may serve more than three consecutive full terms on the same committee. Committee members who are eligible to serve another term are not automatically reappointed; they must be nominated anew for each term. In the event of special projects or extenuating circumstances where it would appear prudent for a term or terms to be extended, the appropriate Officer or Councilor may request such extensions through the National Council. In the case of newly formed committees the number of allowable consecutive terms



for original committee members shall be determined by lot; the same process applies to any special committee or task force without determined lengths of terms.

**Composition.** Except for specific committees designated by the National Council no committee shall have more than four members, including the Director. Committee membership should reflect the objectives and agenda of the particular committee and should be balanced as much as possible by gender, age, Guild certification, and geographic area. All committee members must be Voting Members of the American Guild of Organists.

**Vacancies.** Vacancies on committees may be filled at any time by the appointment of the National Council, upon nomination by the appropriate Councillor or Officer. The term of a committee member or director appointed to fill a vacancy expires on the next June 30 in the committee's normal term.

**Budget.** Each committee is subject to an annual budget as approved by the National Council, usually at its spring meeting. The committee director is responsible for keeping the committee within its budget and for submitting the annual budget proposal or any requests for augmenting the budget to the appropriate Councillor or Officer in a timely manner. The Councillor or Officer is responsible for keeping committee directors informed of the status of their budgets. Any committee meeting or telephone conference must be approved in advance by the appropriate Councillor or Officer. Requests for any funds for special projects or prizes for competitions must be approved by the appropriate Councillor or Officer, the Development Committee, the National Council and the Executive Director.

**Publications.** Committees intending to print material in a publication sponsored by the national AGO must submit such material to the appropriate Councillor or Officer for approval prior to publication. In particular, educational materials prepared by AGO committees must be reviewed and approved by the Committee on Continuing Professional Education prior to publication.

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**2018**

Kansas City, Missouri: July 2 – July 6

**2020**

Atlanta, Georgia: July 5 – July 10

**2022**

Seattle, Washington: July 3 – July 7



## **2019 REGIONAL CONVENTIONS**

**NORTHEAST REGION (Buffalo Chapter)**

Buffalo, N.Y.: July 1 – July 4

**MID-ATLANTIC REGION (SW Jersey/SE Jersey Chapters)**

Cherry Hill, N.J.: July 1 – July 3

**SOUTHEAST REGION (Grand Strand Chapter)**

Myrtle Beach, S.C.: June 9 – 12

**GREAT LAKES REGION (Grand Rapids Chapter)**

Grand Rapids, Mich.: June 30 – July 3

**NORTH CENTRAL REGION (Milwaukee Chapter)**

Milwaukee, Wis.: June 16 – 19

**SOUTHWEST REGION (Denver Rocky Mountain Chapter)**

Denver, Colo.: July 7 – 10

**WEST REGION (Orange County Chapter)**

Irvine, Calif.: June 30 – July 3

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