

Come To Discover The King of Instruments

The Rockford Chapter of the American Guild of Organists is pleased to invite you to attend the Pipe Organ Encounter Plus (POE+), a week-long summer conference in northern Illinois.

This exciting week-long experience is designed especially for adult beginning and intermediate organists. You will be the guest of Rockford Chapter AGO. You will receive assistance and ground transportation to area churches and auditoriums to see, hear and play area pipe organs – outstanding examples of why the pipe organ is “The King of Instruments!”

Highlights of the POE+ Week

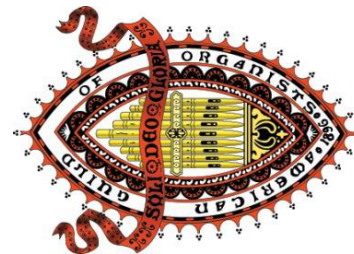
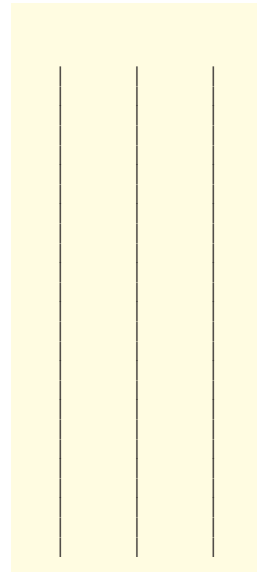
- Catered daily mid-morning snacks & lunches
- Camaraderie and new friends
- Instructions & workshops designed for both beginning and intermediate adult organists
- Daily organ lessons with a renowned organist
- Daily organ practice time
- Fundamentals of organ building & registration
- Survey of organ literature
- Explore service playing and improvisation
- Faculty organ recitals
- POE+ Participant Organ Recital
- New ideas to inspire your own creativity
- Fun in the Forest City - Rockford IL - in the northern Illinois State-line area.

Additional Opportunities

- Tuesday Evening
Trip to Sanfilippo *Place de la Musique*,
Barrington Hills, IL (\$50 extra)
- Friday Afternoon
Trip to Overture Center, Madison, WI
to visit the Klais organ. (no added cost)

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The Rockford Chapter
of the
American Guild of Organists
presents

Pipe Organ Encounter Plus (POE+)

June 17 – 22, 2018
Rockford, Illinois

A week of instructive programs
to expand pipe organ knowledge
for the adult learner

*Creating
more informed performers
for a brighter future
for the pipe organ*

Pipe Organ Encounter Plus (POE+)



Overview

POE+ for adults offers organ instruction in basic technique, pedaling, registration, hymn playing and sight reading. POE+ provides a unique opportunity for participants to meet and interact with peers. Additional topics include organ literature, pipe organ building, and preparation for the AGO Service Playing Certificate including transposition and improvisation. The Rockford POE+ is the only program of its kind in the Midwest in 2018. Financial aid may be available from your local AGO chapter or from religious institutions.

Faculty

Nationally acclaimed faculty will perform recitals, lead workshops and teach individual organ lessons. Student participants will benefit from daily organ lessons with these superb teachers: Karl Bruhn, Tyler Canonico, Seth Carlson, Chelsea Chen, Steven Egler, Greg Gyllsdorff, Skye Hart, John Michael McCabe, David von Behren, Peter Yardly-Jones, and Greg Zelek.

Added Attractions

There will be two optional side trips: Tuesday evening to Sanfilippo *Place de la Musique* in Barrington and Friday afternoon to Overture Center, Madison, WI. At Sanfilippo is an amazing collection of restored automatic musical instruments: music boxes, player pianos, a carousel and a theatre organ. At Overture Center we will visit their Klais organ led by organ curator Greg Zelek. There is a \$50 added charge for Sanfilippo; no added charge for Overture Center.

Application & Accommodations

Register today! Deadline is May 20, 2018

Enrollment is open to beginning and intermediate adult organists (ages 19 & older) who wish to further develop their organ performance.

Lodging discount is arranged at Courtyard Marriott, 7676 E. State Street, 815-397-6222. Ask for the POE+ room rate of \$119 /night plus tax. This rate is available until May 20, 2018. If you would like to share accommodation expenses and would like a roommate for the conference, we'd be happy to assist you with details.

Featured Instruments

- Trinity Lutheran Church
1955/1991, Casavant/Casavant (IIIIm/49r)
- Emmanuel Episcopal Church
1971/ 1999 Austin/Diestelmier (IIIIm/29r)
- Second/ First Church
1917/1989, Skinner/Wicks: Scott/Lindsey (IVm/68r)
- Court Street United Methodist Church
1970/1993, Möller/Berghaus (IVm/62r)
- Mendelssohn Performing Arts Center
1966/2000, Möller/Fabry (IIIIm/63r)
- Bethesda Covenant Church
1988 Schantz (IIIIm/46r)
- First Covenant Church
1968 Schlicker (IIIIm/42r)
- Our Savior's Lutheran Church
2000 Buzard (IIIm/29r)
- Holy Family Catholic Church
2000 Buzard (IIIIm/56r)
- Westminster Presbyterian Church
2007 Holtkamp (IIIIm/49r)
- Coronado Theater
1927 Grand Barton (IVm/17r)

Support

Pipe Organ Encounters is an educational outreach program of the American Guild of Organists. Major funding for Pipe Organ Encounters is provided by the Associated Pipe Organ Builders of America. Additional support is provided by the American Institute of Organbuilders, the Jordan Organ Endowment, and the National Endowment for the Arts. Permanently endowed AGO scholarships are provided in memory of Charlene Brice Alexander, Robert S. Baker, Seth Bingham, Michael Cohen, Margaret R. Curtin, Clarence Dickinson, Virgil Fox, Philip Hahn, Charles N. Henderson, Alfred E. Lunsford, Ruth Milliken, Bruce Prince-Joseph, Douglas Rafter, Ned Siebert, Mary K. Smith, and Martin M. Wick; and in honor of Anthony Baglivi, Philip E. Baker, Gordon and Naomi Rowley, Fred Swann, Morgan and Mary Simmons, and the Leupold Foundation.

Pipe Organ Encounter Plus (POE+) Registration Form

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Birth Date, Gender: _____, _____

In case of emergency, please contact:

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Dietary Restrictions: _____

Playing Level: (beginner/intermediate) _____

{Please attach a list of piano or organ pieces you are currently studying.}

Please also register online at:

<https://www.agohq.org/education/poe/poe-plus/>

for more information

www.RockfordAGO.org

or contact

Ron Weber, POE+ Director

email: RockfordAGO.100@gmail.com

I am interested in the following extra trips:

___ Sanfilippo *Place de la Musique*,
Barrington, IL (\$50 extra)

___ Overture Centre,
Madison, WI (no extra charge)

Please send completed registration form
and a check payable to Rockford Chapter POE+
to:

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Conference pricing is as follows:
on or before May 1, 2018 (\$250)
or after May 1 (\$275)