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## 2018 NCOI AND NYACOP WINNERS ANNOUNCED

Kalle Toivio took first place in the National Competition in Organ Improvisation (NCOI), which seeks to further the art of improvisation. He is the organist and director of music at the Church of Notre Dame, NYC. Aaron Tan took first place in the 2018 National Young Artists Competition in Organ Performance (NYACOP). He is currently Artist-in-Residence at the Cathedral Church of St. Paul in Detroit, Michigan. The competition serves as a springboard for emerging organists to develop their performance ability by participating in the various demanding stages of this competition.

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## 2018 National Election Results

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*Summertime and the livin' is easy...* maybe a little. I have a bucket list of projects that were put on hold for times like these and (thank God) I have checked off a few of them. I'm having second thoughts on my gardening project. I put marigolds and ??? in the south garden bed. They look sad with the cloudy days and constant rain. Should I pull them out and put in the old faithful impatiens or ??? Advice is welcome.

A few months ago Steve Hibbard delivered the AGO archives to my door—a 4-drawer file cabinet and banker box. Concordia (Mequon) had housed the material for quite awhile (thank you, Concordia). Previously Larry Wheelock handed on the physical material passed on to him. During his tenure we moved to computer-based retrieval and the Milwaukee Chapter web-site was born. His proud gift to me on election as Dean was a flash-drive that contained all his writings in a tool the size of my thumb!

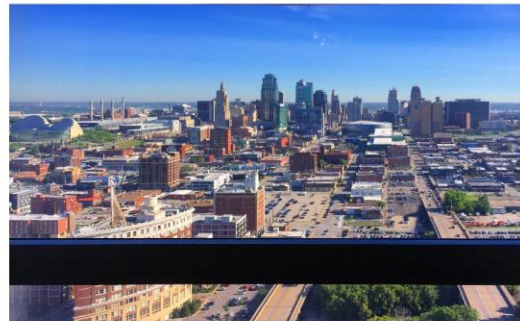
Our upcoming North Central Regional Convention—Milwaukee 100 Years AGO (June 16-19, 2019) prompts a serious look into all of these historical gifts. Liz Walloch retired from work in the UW-Milwaukee Music Library. Liz has already put in many hours to see what we have and what information we need. It is our intention to digitize our stuff but we want to be sure of the organizational format before seeking more assistance on the digitization.

When Milwaukee became a separate Chapter (1953) from the initial Wisconsin Chapter (1919) we began to publish small pocket directories of member contact information. We have a number of these tidy little volumes but would like to complete the set. Publication began in the early 1950's. Our collection is spotty in the 1970's. If you have ANY copies to share or that we can digitize please call or email me. (414) 403-1046 or [seasonsoftheheart@wi\\_rr.com](mailto:seasonsoftheheart@wi_rr.com).

We also have many concert programs with incomplete dates. The month and day are provided but alas, no year. If you have been alive for quite awhile and active in the AGO you can provide invaluable help. Even if you can't pinpoint the exact year you may be able to provide other reference events/people to narrow the search.

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I arrived at the 2018 Kansas City National AGO Convention last evening after 8 hours and 15 minutes on road from Milwaukee. The Sheraton provided me with a lovely room on the 37th floor. This eagle-nest perch will provide a thrilling view of the 4th of July fireworks at multiple sites later this week.



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The convention will be in swing as you read this column. Milwaukee was asked to serve at a barbecue dinner and Larry Wheelock will use our personal breadth to advertise 2019 North Central Regional Convention. He ordered T-shirts printed with our convention logo. Thank you Larry your foresight as our own clothing won't be decorated with barbecue sauce of hundreds of diners.

Our opening day begins with the finalist performances for NYACOP (National Young Artists Competition in Organ Performance). We have a special interest in this competition as Milwaukee has hosted the winner in recital for a number of years. Most recently Katelyn Emerson played at Gesu in 2016, a smashing performance! The Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist hosted Daryl Robinson in 2014. By the end of the day we will know the identity of our 2018 recitalist.

Enjoy your summer. Relax and choose some musical enrichment with the flexible time during this season—concerts, workshops, summer courses and naturally conventions!

Cordially,

*Sheri*

## July 2018

10 (Tues) 7:30 Erik Matson, Organ  
Church of the Gesu  
1145 W. Wisconsin Ave  
Milwaukee, WI

15(Sun) 2:00 Karen Beaumont, Organ  
St. Hedwig's Church  
1702 N. Humboldt  
Milwaukee, WI

16 – 20 Church Musicians Workshop  
Nashotah House Theological Seminary  
2777 Mission Rd  
Nashotah, WI

16 (Mon) 7:30 Milwaukee Handbell Ensemble  
St. John's Lutheran Church  
7877 N. Port Washington Rd  
Glendale, WI

18 (Wed) 12:15 Olga Skylanskya, Piano  
The Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist  
812 N. Jackson St  
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18 (Wed) 7:00 Kate Moss, Organ  
Shepherd of the Bay Lutheran Church  
11836 Hwy 42  
Elison Bay, WI

25(Wed) 12:15 Nicholas Schmelter, Organ  
Tyler Kivel, Piano  
The Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist  
812 N. Jackson St  
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29 (Sun) 2:00 Karen Beaumont, Organ  
Milwaukee Catholic Home  
2330 N. Prospect  
Milwaukee, WI

## August 2018

1 (Wed) 12:15 Aaron Matthews, Piano  
The Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist  
812 N. Jackson St  
Milwaukee, WI

1 (Wed) 6:30 Choral Music for the Church Year  
Eduardo Garcia-Novelli, Clinician  
Mt. Carmel Lutheran Church  
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2 (Thurs) 12:00 Karen Beaumont, Organ  
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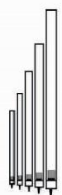
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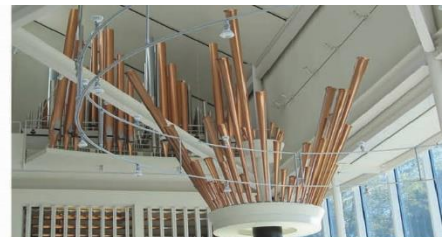
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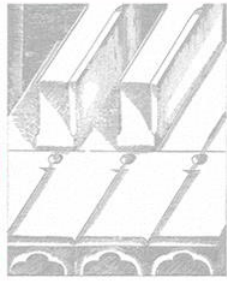
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