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*Newsletter of the
Lincoln Chapter of the American Guild of Organists*

March 2023

Lincoln Organ Showcase Presents

Alexander Meszler, organist

Sunday, March 19, 4:00 pm

St. Mark's on the Campus

1309 R Street



Recently appointed College Organist at Luther College, Decorah, Iowa, Meszler is an organist named of the *The Diapason's* '20 under 30.' His performances and research aim to inspire new perspectives on the organ and its capabilities beyond the liturgy. With Kimberly Marshall, he co-created "Walls of Sound: The Ecology of the Borderlands" which brought together collaborators from across the disciplines of music, science, theater, art, and activism. For more information about Alexander, visit his website at <https://www.alexandermeszler.com>.

Are you a Facebook user?

If so, follow us (Search Lincoln Chapter of the American Guild of Organists) and consider sharing the Lincoln Organ Showcase event on your own page(s) to help us promote Alexander Meszler's upcoming recital.

Lincoln AGO Executive Committee

Would you like to be part of planning for future events sponsored by our chapter? Do you have gifts and abilities that might benefit our board? Are you someone who loves the organ and wants to share that love with others? If so, then I would encourage you to consider being on the ballot for this year's Lincoln AGO member-at-large elections! If you would like to find out more about what is involved in being a board member, contact at Jeffrey.blersch@cune.edu or 402-646-5586 (voice or text) or any of our board members and we will happy to talk with you.

Organ Lesson Scholarships

The Lincoln AGO is so pleased to be able to offer financial assistance to those who wish to take organ lessons in the form of a \$500 annual scholarship from the Lillian Slaughter Memorial Fund. The scholarships are available to anyone – beginning or advanced – who studies with a member of our chapter. A simple application form is available on our website at <http://www.agolincoln.org/scholarships>.

Choral Director Wanted

The Nebraska Christian Men's Chorus is looking for a new conductor. This choir of about 10 individuals performs for civic events in Lincoln, assisted living centers, retirement homes, and other groups in Lincoln. If you or someone you know might be interested in making music with them, contact NCMC president Larry Wieskamp at larryawieskamp@yahoo.com or 402-802-6883.

Saturday, September 16, 2023

Thinking ahead to fall... *Hearts, Hands, and Voices* is a series of nationwide church music workshops under the auspices of the Association of Lutheran Church Musicians. On Saturday, September 16, *Hearts, Hands, and Voices* will be coming to Seward at St. John Lutheran Church and Concordia University. Mark your calendars now! More information will be forthcoming, especially about the artist who will kick off our 2023-24 Lincoln Organ Showcase season as part of the mini-conference!

April Lincoln Organ Showcase Concert

Adam Pajan

Sunday, April 23, 2023
4:00 pm
Southwood Lutheran Church
4301 Wilderness Hills Blvd.
Lincoln, Nebraska

Adam Pajan serves on the organ faculty at the University of Oklahoma and is Artist in Residence at Saint John's Episcopal Church in Tulsa. He has been a prize winner at multiple prestigious organ competitions and his performing career has taken him across the United States and to tours of Germany, England, and Switzerland.