

Sunday Organ Recital Series Dr James F. Mellichamp

PIEDMONT COLLEGE, USA

Sunday 10TH, July 2016 5.45PM

Paean

Ernest Tomlinson

1924-2015

Psalm Prelude

Craig Phillips

b.1961

from Suite in E major: Scherzo

Everett Titcomb

1884-1968

Cantilène Op 29 no 2

Gabriel Pierné

1863-1937

from Symphony No 2 Op 20: I. Allegro risoluto

Louis Vierne

1870-1937

You are kindly requested to reserve your applause until the end of th performance If you have to leave before the end of the recital, please do so only between pieces

James F. Mellichamp

James F. Mellichamp is President of Piedmont College, a private comprehensive liberal arts institution with enrollment of 2,500 students at campuses in Demorest and Athens, Georgia, USA. Since 1982 Dr. Mellichamp has served the college in various administrative capacities. A dedicated teacher, he holds the rank of Professor of Music and maintains an active studio of young organists.

With a performance career spanning more than forty years, Dr. Mellichamp has made prominent appearances as an organist throughout the United States, Canada, Europe, and Asia. His concerts include solo recitals at such notable venues as the Washington Cathedral, Berlin Cathedral, Dijon Cathedral, and the Cathedral of Notre Dame in Paris.

As an organ consultant, he has been responsible for the design of over fifty organs for churches and colleges in the United States. He is also the author of articles related to organ design and construction published in various musical periodicals.

He is a member and past Dean of the American Guild of Organists, Atlanta Chapter. He received a Baccalaureate degree from Huntingdon College; a Diploma from the Hochschule für Musik in Herford, Germany; and the Doctor of Music degree from Indiana University.

The Organ of Westminster Abbey

The earliest evidence of any organ in the Abbey dates from 1304, referring to a 'pair of organs' in the Lady Chapel. From the late sixteenth century there was an organ in the Quire, although no accurate details survive. A new organ, built for the Coronation of King George II in 1727, was relocated and placed on the central screen at the entrance to the Quire. This was replaced in 1848 with an instrument built by William Hill, divided between North and South sides of the Nave Screen. This layout was retained in the current Harrison and Harrison organ, installed for the Coronation of King George VI in 1937, and further enlarged in 1982 and 1986. The two organ cases, built originally for the Hill organ in 1895 by the architect J.L. Pearson, were coloured and reinstated in 1959. For further information, please visit www.westminster-abbey. org/music/organ.

Sunday Organ Recital series

Weekly recitals from 5.45pm until 6.15, free admission

17th July Benjamin Cunningham Worcester College, Oxford

24th July Kees Nottrot *The Netherlands*

31st July Anna Lapwood Magdalen College, Oxford

Summer Organ Festival

Tuesdays at 7.00pm; Single ticket £12 (concessions £8) - Season ticket £48 (concessions £32)

12th July Henry Fairs
17th July Winfried Bönig
26th July James O'Donnell
2nd August Daniel Cook
9th August David Goode

Further Information

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