## Most Elevating of Voices

The Musical Legacy of Andrew Carnegie: A Transatlantic Celebration







The Great Music in a Great Space (GMGS) concert series seeks to take advantage of the size and diverse sacred spaces of the Cathedral to present music, both familiar and not so familiar, in unexpected settings. In addition to the designated performance areas (the Great Choir and the Crossing), GMGS concerts have also explored the acoustical properties of the Nave and the St. James Chapel: one of the small, exquisite Chapels of the Tongues, located behind the High Altar.

GMGS is comprised of three concert series: the Great Choir choral series, the Great Organ recital series, and our holiday concerts: the Christmas Concert and the New Year's Eve Concert for Peace. The repertoire of the choral series spans the musical palette from Renaissance polyphony to contemporary compositions and also includes less familiar traditions such as Spanish Renaissance music and Eastern Orthodox hymnody. The Great Organ recital series features evening organ recitals, from both Cathedral organists and internationally acclaimed guest artists.

### Welcome

### The Very Reverend Dr. James A. Kowalski, Dean

I welcome you all to this special evening in honor of a man whose donation of thousands of organs, and support for choral music, were not only acts of great philanthropy, but ones that demonstrated an awareness of the spiritual power of music—a power which is both obvious and a matter of dispute. Any investigation of the history of music finds declarations that this or that genre is "the devil's music"; in fact, before the 16th century, the only kind of music thought appropriate for church was Gregorian chant. Today it is hard to imagine a cathedral, especially this Cathedral, without organ and choral music. Voices raised in song, the deep thrill of the organ—these are an inextricable part of our church experience, one that Andrew Carnegie well understood.

Tonight is the second of a two-part celebration (the first concert took place in Dunfermline, Scotland on October 12) and the work that has gone into organizing and coordinating this effort is in the generous spirit of Andrew Carnegie and of musicians everywhere, whose art so often demands the closest collaboration.

The Cathedral's Director of Music, Kent Tritle has worked tirelessly to make this concert happen. The professional choir he has trained and conducts and the concert series he has created bring immense pleasure to Cathedral audiences. Kent is himself a highly accomplished organist; his solo concerts have been grand occasions at the Cathedral during the last two years.

I would like to thank the Carnegie Corporation of New York; Dr Vartan Gregorian for his leadership; Zoe Ingalls, Special Assistant to the President and her team; the staff at Dunfermline Abbey in Scotland, where the sister concert to this one took place on October 12; and our own dedicated and enthusiastic donors, the Friends of Music, without whom the last two years would have been poorer. And, of course, my thanks to our magnificent performers.

### Program

All choral and solo organ selections conducted or played by Kent Tritle unless otherwise indicated. Prelude and Fugue in E flat,

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685–1750)

"St Anne", BWV 552

"Thanks be to God" from Elijah, Op 70 Felix Mendelssohn (1809–1847) Malcolm Merriweather, conductor

Sung by the Oratorio Society of New York at the 100th birthday celebration for Andrew Carnegie at Carnegie Hall

Sonata in F Minor, Op 65, No 4 IV Allegro con brio

Felix Mendelssohn

Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis, "Collegium Regale" (1945)

Herbert Howells (1892–1983)

Rhapsody in D-flat, Op. 17, No. 1

Herbert Howells

### Raymond Nagem, organ

Tudor Anthems

Hosanna to the Son of David If ye love me Sing joyfully Ave verum corpus Ascendit Deus Thomas Weelkes (1576–1623) Thomas Tallis (1505–1585)

William Byrd (1540–1623) William Byrd Peter Phillips (1560–1628)

And I saw a new heaven

Edgar Bainton (1880–1956)

But thanks be to God Worthy is the Lamb from *Messiah*  George Frideric Handel (1685–1759)

### **TEXTS AND TRANSLATIONS**

### Thanks be to God

Thanks be to God, He laveth the thirsty land! The waters gather, they rush along; they are lifting their voices! The stormy billows are high; their fury is mighty. But the Lord is above them, and Almighty!

—Karl Klingemann (1798–1862)

trans. William Bartholomew (1793–1867)

### Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis, "Collegium Regale"

Magnificat

My soul doth magnify the Lord:

And my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.

For he hath regarded the lowliness of his handmaiden.

For behold from henceforth all generations shall call me blessed.

For he that is mighty hath magnified me:

and holy is his name.

And his mercy is on them that fear him

throughout all generations.

He hath shewn strength with his arm:

he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.

He hath put down the mighty from their seat:

and hath exalted the humble and meek

He hath filled the hungry with good things:

and the rich he hath sent empty away.

He remembering his mercy

hath holpen his servant Israel:

as he promised to our forefathers.

Abraham and his seed for ever.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

-Luke 1:46-55, Gloria Patri

Nunc Dimittis

Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace:

according to thy word.

For mine eyes have seen thy salvation,

which thou hast prepared before the face of all people;

to be a light to lighten the Gentiles:

and to be the glory of thy people Israel.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost.

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be: world without end.

—Luke 2:29–32, Gloria Patri

### Hosanna to the Son of David

Hosanna to the Son of David. Blessed be the King that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna, thou that sittest in the highest heavens. *Hosanna in excelsis Deo.* 

-Matthew 21: 19

### If ye love me

If ye love me, keep my commandments

And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another comforter, that he may 'bide with you forever

E'en the spirit of truth;

— John 14: 15–17

### Sing joyfully

Sing joyfully to God our strength; sing loud unto the God of Jacob!

Take the song, bring forth the timbrel, the pleasant harp, and the viol.

Blow the trumpet in the new moon, even in the time appointed, and at our feast day.

For this is a statute for Israel, and a law of the God of Jacob.

—Psalm 81: 1-4

### Ave verum corpus

Ave, verum corpus natum Hail the true body, de Maria Virgine: born of the Virgin Mary: You who truly suffered and were vere passum, immolatum in cruce pro homine: sacrificed on the cross for the sake of man. From whose pierced cuius latus perforatum flank flowed water and blood: unda fluxit sanguine: Be a foretaste for us esto nobis praegustatum. in mortis examine. in the trial of death.

O dulcis, O pie, O Jesu, Fili Mariae. O sweet, O merciful, O Jesus,

Miserere mei. Amen. Son of Mary.

Have mercy on me. Amen.

—attrib. Pope Innocent VI (1282–1362)

### **Ascendit Deus**

Ascendit Deus in jubilation, et Dominus in voce tubae.

Dedit dona hominibus. Alleluia

Dominus in caelo paravit sedem suam. Alleluia.

-Psalm 46: 5 & Psalm 102: 19a

God is gone up with a merry noise, and the Lord with sound of the trumpet. He gave gifts to men.

Alleluia.

The Lord hath prepared his seat in heaven. Alleluia.

### And I saw a new Heaven

And I saw a new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away; and there was no more sea. And I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a great voice out of heaven, saying, behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and he will dwell with them and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them and will be their God. And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be anymore pain, for the former things have passed away.

-Revelation 21: 1-4

But thanks be to God
But thanks be to God, who giveth us the victory through our Lord
Jesus Christ.

—1 Corinthians 15:57

### Worthy is the Lamb

Worthy is the Lamb that was slain, and hath redeemed us to God by His blood, to receive power, and riches, and wisdom, and strength, and honour, and glory, and blessing!

Blessing and honour, glory and power, be unto Him that sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb, for ever and ever. Amen.

—Revelation 5:12–14

### MOST ELEVATING OF VOICES THE MUSICAL LEGACY OF ANDREW CARNEGIE: A TRANSATLANTIC CELEBRATION

### **ZOE INGALLS**

While Andrew Carnegie is best known for the building of libraries and for his work advancing education and international peace, he also supported the arts—especially music. His love of music was developed in church, and his favorite instrument was the pipe organ. He referred to its music as the "most elevating of voices." An Aeolian organ occupied a place of honor in Carnegie's New York residence, at Fifth Avenue and 91st Street, and an organist was employed to play every morning at 7:00 to awaken him.

Carnegie began funding church organs early in his career; he gave money for the first in 1874, to a modest Swedenborgian church his family attended in Allegheny, Pennsylvania (now part of Pittsburgh). During his lifetime, he provided funding for more than 7,600 church organs, 4,092 in the United States and most of the rest in the United Kingdom, at a cost of more than \$6 million (about \$141,000,000 in today's dollars). The organ music people heard in church would, for many, be the finest they would ever hear, he said, and would enrich their devotional experience.

At first, the funding was overseen by Carnegie himself, and a few trusted employees. As demand grew, Carnegie Corporation of New York, founded in 1911, briefly took over in the United States. In the United Kingdom, the responsibility for continuing Carnegie's support for organs passed in 1913 to the newly created Carnegie UK Trust, which was based in Dunfermline, Scotland. This support continued until 1920, when the Trust felt that the need for church organs had largely been fulfilled. In 1922, the Carnegie UK Trust began what was to become a major project to collect, edit, and publish works by the great Tudor composers, a task too great for individual supporters of this neglected music. Over a seven-year period, the Trust published ten volumes of *Tudor Church Music*, accompanied by a series of 50 octavo performing editions of individual pieces. As a result, a significant body of the finest Tudor music became readily available to both scholars and performers in easily readable editions for the first time.

This repertoire influenced profoundly a whole generation of British composers, including Herbert Howells, Michael Tippett, and Benjamin Britten. The Carnegie UK Trust, which is celebrating its centennial this year, was closely associated with many of the composers featured in

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tonight's program, as well as with the Tudor music. Today the Trust works to improve the lives of people throughout the UK and Ireland by influencing policy and through innovative practice and partnership work.

The story of Andrew Carnegie's generous support of choral music has ties not only to Dunfermline, where he was born on November 25, 1835, but also to the City of New York, his adopted hometown. His wife, Louise Whitfield Carnegie, was a long-time subscriber to concerts performed by the Oratorio Society of New York. Andrew Carnegie joined the society's board of directors in 1884 and served as its president from 1888 to 1919. Early in his term on the board, he threw his support behind a fund established by the society to build a hall suitable for the performance of choral and symphonic music. The building, which opened in 1891, is now known as Carnegie Hall.

Tonight's concert, *Most Elevating of Voices*, is the second in a two-part, transatlantic series created in collaboration with the Carnegie UK Trust. The series showcases a stellar program of choral and organ music at the 19th-century Cathedral of St. John the Divine, paired with a similar concert at the 12th-century Dunfermline Abbey, which was held on October 12, 2013. The two concerts constitute a bi-continental remembrance of Andrew Carnegie's generous support of organ and choral music on the occasion of his 178th birthday. Together they celebrate the astonishing power and breadth of Carnegie's musical legacy.

Zoe Ingalls is Special Assistant to the President of Carnegie Corporation of New York.

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### Kent Tritle

### DIRECTOR, CATHEDRAL MUSIC AND ORGANIST

Kent Tritle is one of America's leading choral conductors. Called "the brightest star in New York's choral music world" by The New York Times, he is in his third season as Director of Cathedral Music and Organist at the Cathedral of St. John the Divine in New York City; his seventh season as Music Director of Musica Sacra, the longest continuously performing professional chorus in New York; and his ninth season as Music Director of the Oratorio Society of New York, the acclaimed 200-voice volunteer chorus.

In addition, Kent is Director of Choral Activities at the Manhattan School of Music and is a member of the graduate faculty of The Juilliard School. He is the host of the weekly radio show "The Choral Mix with Kent Tritle," a weekly hour-long radio program on New York's Classical 105.9 WQXR and www.wqxr.org devoted to the vibrant genre of choral music and the breadth of activity in the choral community. An acclaimed organ virtuoso, he is also the organist of the New York Philharmonic and the American Symphony Orchestra.

Highlights of Kent Tritle's 2013–14 season include leading three of J.S. Bach's choral masterworks with three of his organizations: *St. John Passion* at the Cathedral of St. John the Divine; *St. Matthew Passion* with the Oratorio Society of New York; and Mass in B Minor at the Manhattan School of Music. He also expands the presence of his choral concerts in the "Great Music in a Great Space" series at the Cathedral of St. John the Divine by staging concerts in a variety of locations within the space; he leads Musica Sacra in a program devoted to contemporary composers Jocelyn Hagen and Meredith Monk; and a recording that he has just completed of Juraj Filas's Requiem "Oratio Spei" (whose New York premiere he recently led) with the Prague Symphony Orchestra was made not only to be released on disc but to be made available to radio stations internationally on September 11.

### Raymond Nagem

### CATHEDRAL ASSOCIATE ORGANIST

Raymond Nagem is Associate Organist at the Cathedral Church of St. John the Divine in New York, and a C.V. Starr Doctoral Fellow at The Juilliard School, where he teaches the survey course in organ literature. He is a student of Paul Jacobs.

A native of Medford, Massachusetts, Mr. Nagem began organ lessons with John Dunn while attending the Boston Archdiocesan Choir School. As the recipient of the first American Friends of Eton College Scholarship, he spent a year in England, studying music at Eton College with Alastair Sampson. He earned his B.A. from Yale University, where he studied with Thomas Murray, and his M.M. from Juilliard. He has held positions including Assistant Organist at The Parish of All Saints, Ashmont (MA), Organ Scholar at Trinity Church, Southport (CT), and Organ Scholar at Christ Church, New Haven.

Mr. Nagem has performed throughout the country, including concerts with the Juilliard Orchestra and Yale Symphony Orchestra. He has won prizes in the AGO Regional Competition for Young Organists and the John R. Rodland Competition. Recent engagements have included performances at the Focus! Festival at Juilliard, a live broadcast on American Public Media's Pipedreams, and a solo CD (to be released in 2014) on the Pro Organo label.

### Malcolm J. Merriweather

### CHORAL ASSOCIATE

Malcolm J. Merriweather is the Choral Associate at the Cathedral of St. John the Divine, New York City and the Bruno Walter Associate Conductor of the New York Choral Society. He is a candidate for the Doctor of Musical Arts degree in conducting at the Manhattan School of Music under Kent Tritle. He leads a professional career as a baritone, conductor and teacher.

Merriweather began his professional musical training as a chorister in the St. Paul's Cathedral Choir of Men and Boys, in Buffalo, New York. He attended Syracuse University where he earned a Bachelor of Music in music education, *summa cum laude*.

He has earned graduate degrees in conducting and voice from the Eastman School of Music. He is the New York ACDA Repertoire and Standards Chair for Music and Worship and has conducted festival choirs throughout the Eastern United States. At the Cathedral, Malcolm coordinates visiting choirs and assists Mr. Tritle in the direction of the Cathedral Choristers, Cathedral Chorale and Cathedral Choir. For more information, please visit malcolmimerriweather.com.

### Cathedral Ensemble

### THE CATHEDRAL CHOIR

The Cathedral's professional choir sets the standard for music making at the Cathedral. Its members include some of New York City's finest choral performers who are also accomplished soloists in their own right. The Cathedral Choir provides music for the Sunday 11am Eucharist and 4pm Evensong services throughout the year and also sings for other major feast days of the Christian calendar such as Christmas, Holy Week, and Easter. In addition, the choir serves as the core ensemble for the Cathedral's Great Music in a Great Space concert series.

### THE CATHEDRAL CHORALE

This auditioned volunteer choir draws members from both the local Morningside Heights community and the greater New York City area. It meets for rehearsals on Wednesday nights from September through May. Throughout the year, the Chorale joins the Cathedral Choir for Sunday worship services and weekday Great Music in a Great Space concerts.

### THE CATHEDRAL CHORISTERS

This ensemble of 26 students draws from the 5th-8th grade classes of the Cathedral School. The chorister program was founded when the Cathedral School opened its doors in 1901. These young musicians continue this proud tradition, participating in services at the Cathedral as well as taking part in exciting outside projects. In 2013 the choristers sang in Carnegie Hall for the Oratorio Society of New York's performance of Benjamin Britten's *War Requiem* and traveled to London to sing services at St Paul's Cathedral.

### Visiting Ensemble

### ORATORIO SOCIETY OF NEW YORK

Founded in 1873 by Leopold Damrosch, the Oratorio Society of New York is one of the city's oldest musical organizations. When Andrew Carnegie became the Society's fifth president, he enlisted fellow board member, architect William Tuthill, to design a "Music Hall" that would provide it with a suitable artistic home. In 1891, singing under Tchaikovsky's baton, the Society helped inaugurate the concert hall that came to be known as Carnegie Hall. It has performed there ever since, presenting both the traditional repertory and new works by contemporary composers. The Society's annual performance of *Messiah* has been a holiday tradition since 1874.

Through the Lyndon Woodside Oratorio-Solo Competition and various other programs for young performers and audiences, the Society continues its historic commitment to the next generation's involvement in choral music.

### MANHATTAN SCHOOL OF MUSIC CHAMBER CHOIR

The Manhattan School of Music Chamber Choir is the school's premier choral ensemble. Led by Director of Choral Activities Kent Tritle since 2008, the ensemble has been featured at the Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts in Washington, D.C. as part of the Conservatory Project, and has sung with the New York Philharmonic in performances of Walton's *Henry V*, the Act I Finale of Mozart's *Don Giovanni*, Beethoven's Symphony No. 9, and Charles Ives' Symphony No. 4. The Chamber Choir's upcoming appearances include Bach's B Minor Mass, Stravinsky's Mass and Honegger's *Le Roi David*.

### **CHORAL ROSTERS**

Cathedral Choir	Bass Paul An	Tenor Margaret W. Kelly	Class of 2015 Jaya Bennett
Soprano	Daniel Hoy	Brian Moore (*)	Isabel Koo
Margery Daley	Steven Moore	David H. Pritchard	Alice-Rose
Michele Eaton	Neil Netherly	William A.	Lelyveld
Melissa Fogarty	Gregory	Simpson	Nina Martin
Danya Katok	Purnhagen	David M. Williams	Jenkins
Michele Kennedy	Mark Rehnstrom		Nico Jimenez-
Jamet Pittman	Joshua South	Bass	Lozano
Amaranta Viera	Charles Sprawls	Wylie Hembree	2020110
Carla Wesby	Chance opiawie	Peter Howland	Class of 2016
Curia Trooby	Cathedral Chorale	AP Joseph	Mia Asofsky
Alto	Cutilicular Ciloraic	Sean Kelly	Sierra Good
Biraj Barkakaty	Soprano	Gabriel	Sophie Hart
BJ Fredricks	Brownen Aldridge	Rollinson (*)	Jade Levitin
Katie Geissinger	Renée Bash	Daniel Schwait (*)	Ruby Levitin
Misa Iwama	Betsy Blachly	Ron Sheppard	Hugh-Jay Yu
Erin Kemp	Shelley Brown	rion onoppara	
Mary Marathe	Chanae Curtis (*)	(*) = denotes	Class of 2017
Heather Petrie	Deborah Di	Choral Scholar	Kamilah Cooper-
Abigail Wright	Taranto-	Chorar Contolar	Charles*
	Simunovich	Cathedral	Gina Galvan+
Tenor	Belinda Hahn	Choristers	Jackson Harris+
Jonathan Blalock	Angel Gardner		Sharde Johnson+
John Des Marais	Jeri DeLoach	Class of 2014	Lauren Ross*
Sean Fallen	Jackson	Clare Cunningham	
Brian Giebler	Mary W. Rowe	Imani Fernandez	*denotes Head
Drew Martin	Julia Suriano (*)	Joshua Golden	Chorister
Douglas Purcell	Jen Wu	Savanah Hall	
Riley Soter		Imani Johnson	+denotes Deputy
Michael	Alto	Aidan Pisa	Head Chorister
Steinberger	Kristin Bergfeld	Sophie Peyser	
	Caroline Jaram	Bryce Satow	
	Susan Kern	Gabriella Stack	
	Judith Mosley	Elizabeth	
	Caryn Rubanovich	Strickland	
	Anne Paxton		
	Rumiko Saiki		
	Teresa Tam		

### THE ORATORIO SOCIETY OF NEW YORK

Soprano Anne-Marie Audet Ariana Baurley Micheline Beaudry Flizabeth Berwick Flaine Boxer Dorothea Brady Patricia Bruck Ursula Carv Marie Colella **Emily Crawford** Deborah DiTaranto-Simunovich Katarzvna Drucker Denise Dyce Michiyo Fisher Angel Gardner Kathryn Gayner Kate Gerlach Ilana Goldberg (\*) Linda Guran Karen Hartman Rebecca Hinkle Theresa Hubbard Ellen Keleman Mary-Jo Knight Sukv Kwak Alana Laudone Andrea Levton-Mange (\*) Phyllis Lusskin Lara Marshall Grace Matubis Holly McCracken Flizabeth Norton Marie Ortinau Marianne Percival Natasha Roemer Jennifer Rosa

Colony Santangelo
Deirdre Schell
Shelley Smith
Eliza Sprague
Shereen TaylorBerger
Pamela Vreeland
Sharon Webb

Alto
Linda Amster
Rhonda Barnat
Mary Braunsdorf
Nancy Cline
Marjorie Crandell
Vera Finkemeier
Lesleigh Forsyth
Emese Hegedus
Erica Westcott
Kelly

Erica Wright

Susan Kern Mary Kevlin Lucy Kraus Noriko Kumada Allison LaFleur Janet Laidman Linda Larson Ellyn Leverone Elizabeth Levine Florence Long Robin Ludwig Krystyna Marable Anne Maxwell Karen McCahill Carol McMillan Susan

Mendelsohn

Kristin Moore

Ruby Morgan

Christina Moustakis Timothy Parsons (\*) Anne Paxton DiAnn Pierce Janet Plucknett Elke Raskob Rumiko Saiki Susan Smodish Jody Spellun Eleanor Tewlow Marti Torn Julia Turner Mary Vaughn Laura Vecchione Judith Williams Karin Wiseman Elizabeth Yuko

Tenor Stephen Bonime Donald Braue Jared Gilbert Mark Hanke (\*) Karl Lauby Marco Matute Harry Nishitani Richard Pace Brian Percival Andrew Preis David Pritchard Douglas Riccardi Brian Shaheen Theodore Stent Oscar Vallejo Rob Wendt Danny Wiseman Jie Yi

Neil Bennett Dennis Chung Simon Dratfield Gary Ekman Alec Galambos (\*) Arnold Goodman Arthur Hopkirk Peter Howland David Kleiser Ted Kuck Alexander Lotocki Lawrence Madison John Matjucha Oscar Maxwell Alan Meltzer Bruce Patrick Paul Richards Gary Schieneman David Schildwachter Daniel Schwait (\*) Ted Stamas Daniel Tranchina Ted Voelker Albert Watson

Rass

### Manhattan School of Music Chamber Choir

Soprano
Christa Dalmazio
Claudillea Holloway
Kathleen Monson
Lexis Petrella
Sarah Schultz
Julia Suriano

Natalie Taylor Maggie Woolums

### Alto

Elizabeth Chang Christina Garcia Timothy Parsons Erika Rush Robinson Monica Talayera

Tenor
Anthony Constantino
Joshua Coyne
Frank Humphrey
Jie Yi

Bass
Alex Amadeo
Alex Boyd
Mike Boyman
Jungmin Cho
Jia-jun Hong
Malcolm J. Merriweather

Gabriel Rollinson

# Organs at the Cathedral

The Cathedral campus boasts five organs. The largest of them, the Great Organ, was built by the Ernest M. Skinner Company in 1910 as Op. 150, and rebuilt and enlarged by G. Donald Harrison of Aeolian-Skinner in 1954 as Op. 150-A. After a devastating fire in 2001 the Great Organ was painstakingly restored by Quimby Pipe Organs of Warrensburgh, Missouri under the supervision of Douglass Hunt, Organ Curator of the Cathedral.

The Great Organ is widely considered to be the masterpiece of American pipe organ building and is an acclaimed national treasure. It is a four manual and pedal, seven division, electro-pneumatic action instrument of 151 ranks and 8,514 pipes. The Great Organ has several extraordinary features, including the world famous State Trumpet at the West End, one of the most powerful organ stops in the world.

Smaller Aeolian-Skinner organs in the Chapels of St. Ansgar (1956) and St. James (1961) are regularly played for the more intimate services held in these spaces, including weddings and funerals.

The Flentrop portative organ was gifted by Carnegie Hall to the cathedral in 2012. It was previously a gift from the Concertgebouw Orchestra of Amsterdam on the occasion of Carnegie Hall's centennial.

The Cathedral's Synod Hall, located on the corner of Amsterdam Avenue and 110th Street, houses a 1913 E. M. Skinner organ – one of the earliest Skinner organs in completely unaltered condition. However, this instrument is currently unplayable until funding for its restoration can be found.

GREAT		SOLO (unenclosed)				
16	Montre	61 pipes			61	
16	Quintaten	61 pipes	8	Tuba Major Tuba Clarion	61 pipes	
8 8	Principal	61 pipes	4	Iuba Clarion	73 pipes-double trebles	
8	Diapason Viola	79 pipes- double trebles	СНО	ID		
8	Hohl Flöte	61 pipes	16	Sanftbass	73 pipes	
8	Holz Gedeckt	61 pipes	8			
8	Erzähler	61 pipes 61 pipes	8	Viola Pomposa Viola Celeste	73 pipes	
8	Quintaten	12 pipes	8	Dulcet II	73 pipes 146 pipes	
5 1/3	Quintaten	61 pipes	8	Dolcan	73 pipes	
4	Principal	85 pipes-double trebles	8	Dolcan Celeste	61 pipes	
4	Octave	85 pipes-double trebles	8	Concert Flute		
4	Spitzflöte	61 pipes	8	Nason Flute	73 pipes	
4	Flute Couverte	61 pipes	4	Principal	73 pipes 73 pipes	
3 1/5	Grosse Tierce		4			
2 2/3	Twelfth	61 pipes 61 pipes	2 2/3	Koppelflöte Rohr Nasat	61 pipes	
2 2/3	Doublette		2 2/3	Blockflöte	61 pipes	
2		85 pipes-double trebles			61 pipes	
L	Fifteenth	61 pipes	1 3/5 11/3	Terz	61 pipes	
	Sesquialtera II	122 pipes		Larigot	61 pipes	
	Kleine Mixtur IV	244 pipes	1	Sifflöte	61 pipes	
	Grande Fourniture V–VIII	368 pipes		Grave Mixtur III	183 pipes	
	Plein Jeu III–V	294 pipes	1.0	Zimbel III	183 pipes	
1.0	Cymbel III	183 pipes	16	English Horn	73 pipes	
16	Fagot	61 pipes	8	Cromorne	73 pipes	
			8	Clarinet	73 pipes	
SWEI			4	Trompete	73 pipes	
16	Contra Gamba	73 pipes		Tremulant		
16	Bourdon	73 pipes	8	Tuba Major (Solo)		
8	Geigen Prinzipal	73 pipes	4	Tuba Clarion (Solo)		
8	Viole de Gambe	73 pipes	DED			
8	Viole Celeste	73 pipes	PEDA			
8	Salicional	73 pipes	32	Open Bass	12 pipes	
8	Voix Celeste	73 pipes	32	Contre Violone	12 pipes	
8	Unda Maris II	136 pipes	16	Contre Basse	32 pipes	
8	Flauto Dolce	73 pipes	16	Open Bass	32 pipes	
8	Flute Celeste	73 pipes	16	Violone	32 pipes	
8	Gedeckt	73 pipes	16	Subbass	32 pipes	
4	Prestant	68 pipes	16	Montre (Great)		
4	Violina	68 pipes	16	Contra Gamba (Swell)		
4	Flauto Traverso	68 pipes	16	Bourdon (Swell)		
2	Octavin	61 pipes	16	Sanftbass (Choir)		
	Plein Jeu IV	244 pipes	16	Quintaten (Great)		
	Scharff III–IV	220 pipes	10 2/3	3 Quintaten (Great)		
16	Double Trumpet	prepared	8	Principal	32 pipes	
16	Contra Fagotto	73 pipes	8	Spitzflöte	32 pipes	
8	Cornopean	73 pipes	8	Pommer Gedeckt	32 pipes	
8	Trompette	73 pipes	8	Open Flute	12 pipes	
8	Oboe	73 pipes	8	Cello III	96 pipes	
8	Voix Humaine	73 pipes	8	Montre (Great)		
4	Octave Trumpet	73 pipes	8	Quintaten (Great)		
4	Clairon	73 pipes	5 1/3	Quinte	32 pipes	
	Tremulant		4	Choral Bass	32 pipes	
			4	Nachthorn (ext)	12 pipes	
BOM	BARDE		4	Montre (Great)		
	Tierce Mixture V–IX	376 pipes	2	Blockflöte	32 pipes	
16	Bombarde	61 pipes		Mixtur III	96 pipes	
8	Trompette Harmonique	61 pipes		Scharff IV	128 pipes	
4	Clairon Harmonique	61 pipes	32	Contre Ophicleide	12 pipes	
			32	Contre Bombarde	12 pipes	
WEST	END		16	Ophicleide	32 pipes	
8	State Trumpet	61 pipes	16	Bombarde (Bombarde)		
			16	Contra Fagotto (Swell)		
SOLC			8	Trumpet	12 pipes	
(enclos	ed)		8	Bombarde (Bombarde)		
8	Diapason	73 pipes	4	Clarion	12 pipes	
8	Cello	73 pipes	2	Rohr Schalmei	32 pipes	
8	Cello Celeste	73 pipes				
8	Harmonic Flute	73 pipes	NAVE MANUAL (console preparation only)			
8	Flauto Mirabilis	73 pipes	NAVE PEDAL (console preparation only)			
4	Hohlpfeife	73 pipes	151 ra	anks (including double trebles)	)	
2	Doppel Flöte	61 pipes	101 v			
8	French Horn	73 pipes	8,514 pipes			
8	Flugel Horn	73 pipes	Ernest M. Skinner Organ Company, Boston, Mass., Op. 150, 1910			
8	Corno di Bassetto	73 pipes	Æolian-Skinner Organ Company, Boston, Mass.,			
8	Vox Baryton	73 pipes	Op. 150A, 1953 and 150B, 1963			
	Tremulant	* *		by Pipe Organs, Inc., Warrens		
	Zymbelstern		with Douglass Hunt, Cathedral Curator of Organs			

### Joyful Noise

### MARGARET DIEHL

Music is an intrinsic part of worship in most cultures, its ability to express reverence, awe, and thanksgiving unparalleled among the arts. Music gets into us, into the associative and reward circuits in our brain, into our hands and hips and feet. From chants and the beating of drums to sung hymns and carols, solo flutes and entire orchestras, both religious and secular music stir and shape our emotions, binding communities, giving a voice to joy, grief, hope, longing, and the wordless exuberance of being.

Over the years, the Cathedral air has vibrated with the strains of Ravi Shankar's sitar music, African and Native American drums, Japanese flutes, recordings of whales and wolves, children's voices and of course the deep tones of the Great Organ. In its century-plus existence, hundreds of musicians have played here. Artists in Residence Paul Winter and Fred Renz have brought world music and early music into the Cathedral several times a year for decades. The Cathedral has also hosted funerals and memorials of celebrated musicians; in May 2013, the memorial service for Dave Brubeck brought family, musical luminaries and thousands of fans to the Cathedral to share memories and joyful sounds.

But the Cathedral Chorus and Great Organ are the heart of music at the Cathedral. Choristers were so important to the young Cathedral that The Cathedral School was founded in 1901 as a boarding and choir-training school for the boys who sang in Cathedral services. (In 1964, it became a day school, and in 1974 went coeducational. Today the school is an independent, diverse and academically rigorous haven for children of all faiths.) The Great Organ, made in 1910 by Ernest M. Skinner, of the Ernest M. Skinner Organ Company of Boston, was soon recognized as one of the finest organs in North America. Titled Opus 150, it was considered by Skinner to be one of his masterpieces.

Kent Tritle, Director of Cathedral Music, is a virtuoso on the organ and one of America's leading choral conductors. *The New York Times*, reviewing his first solo organ concert at the Cathedral (November

22, 2011), described his rendering of Bach's Fantasy and Fugue in G minor as "jubilantly prodigious." Those words could be used to describe Mr. Tritle's career as a whole, from his childhood in Spirit Lake, lowa, to his student days at Julliard, to his tenure as founder and Music Director of Sacred Music in a Sacred Space, Music Director of the Oratorio Society of New York, and Music Director of Musica Sacra. Tritle is also the organist for the Philharmonic and the American Symphony Orchestra.

Kent Tritle's two years at the Cathedral have been a whirlwind: reinvigorating Great Music in a Great Space, a public concert series inspired by world musical traditions and the Cathedral's 100-year history of exhilarating musical events; igniting a new Cathedral initiative, Friends of Music, headed by past president of the Society of Regents and former Trustee Louise Bozarth; and reshaping the Cathedral Chorus and Orchestra, whose members are drawn from among New York City's most talented and stylistically-versatile freelance musicians. The Cathedral also welcomes many visiting choirs every year. They come from around the country, and from Canada and England: school and church choirs, children and adults. Any school choir, with advance notice, can sing in the Cathedral whenever it is open to the public and not being used. This allows students to experience the kind of space and acoustics church music was written for, and to feel a part of this historic venue. The goal of all Cathedral music is to reach out and gather in, to honor the many rhythms that infuse our lives.

This broad welcome has been reflected in such events as the Namgyal [Tibetan] monks chanting at the Cathedral, and last year's "The Holy Land: Jerusalem" concert, a program of songs from the Christian, Jewish and Islamic traditions. Meanwhile, the Cathedral's signature concerts continue, each year a layer: same, different, theme and variation.

The Philharmonic Memorial Day Concert; Paul Winter's solstice concerts; the St. Francis Day *Massa Gaia*, written and performed by Paul Winter and the Paul Winter Consort; the Christmas Concert; and the New Year's Eve Concert for Peace, started in 1984 by Leonard Bernstein, bring thousands to the Cathedral. On such occasions, there is joy in the great space being filled, in so many hearts to hear the rippling notes.

"There was music from my neighbor's house through the summer nights. In his blue gardens men and girls came and went like moths among the whisperings and the champagne and the stars."—F. Scott Fitzgerald (1896–1940). Fitzgerald was inducted into the Poets Corner in 1999.

These lines from *The Great Gatsby* are rich in romantic imagery, all set up and supported by the mere mention of music in the first sentence. Fitzgerald's early readers knew what kind of music would have been playing at Gatsby's house, and it heightens the effect of the passage to know those Jazz Age tunes, but it's not strictly necessary. Whatever music was played in such houses on such nights when you were young will do.

We all have soundtracks to our lives, and the life of the Cathedral is no different. Summer nights, blue gardens, stars...Easter Sunday, white lilies, chalices brimming with sacramental wine...children's voices in song and laughter, peacocks...the Value of Water, a rally for peace... the Cathedral weaves music into most events and programs because music is the closest we come to pure spirit.

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Become a part of the Cathedral's great music tradition by joining Friends of Music. This community of music-lovers supports the Cathedral's music program, allowing it to develop staff resources, expand its splendid concert series, and embark upon ambitious new projects. Friends of Music enjoy invitations to receptions to meet the artists at select concerts and recitals throughout the year.



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