NORTHAMPTON & DISTRICT ORGANISTS' ASSOCIATION

Alleluia Alleluia Alleluia. As the Easter season continues, you might enjoy Marcus Reeve's recording of Healey Willan's — Chorale Prelude on a Melody by Melchior Vulpius using the Hauptwerk sample set of the fabulous Blackburn Cathedral Walker - brainchild of our Honorary Member Dr John Bertalot.

Roger Smith Memorial Recital - Saturday 13th May 11am. The annual recital at St Mary the Virgin Wellingborough in memory of our much-respected former President and Secretary Roger Smith is given by **David Gibbs** of Kimbolton School, after which members are warmly invited to move to the:

NDOA Members' Recital - Saturday 13th May 2pm. By kind permission of All Hallows' DoM, and former NDOA President, Tony Edwards, we invite members and friends to join us for an informal Members' Composite Recital on the Nicholson organ of All Hallows, Wellingborough. The organ will shortly undergo a substantial programme of restoration, and features in our current Newsletter. Tony will also give a brief talk about the history of the organ, and the planned programme of restoration. Refreshments will be provided, and there will be an opportunity to view the organ and the historic church building, including its world-famous stained glass. If you would like to play, or have any questions, please contact Tony in advance of the day on 07867 554476 or by email at TonyE1960@aol.com.

Visit to Castle Ashby - Tuesday 20th June 10.30am. We have an absolutely unique opportunity to visit the 1884 Nicholson in the Great Hall of Castle Ashby House, together with the 1872 Nicholson of St Mary Magdalene, Castle Ashby. Numbers are strictly limited and pre-booking is essential - please let Richard know as soon as possible if you would like to come by emailing editor.ndoa@gmail.com. Don't miss it!

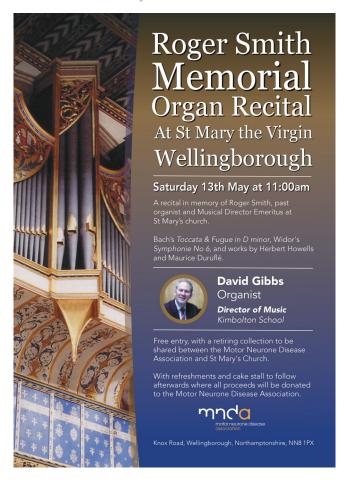
Visit to Church Organ World, Mixbury - Saturday 1st July 10am. A visit is planned to the Mixbury showroom where we will be able to sample organs from their Johannus, Makin and Rogers brands. Do save the date now.

August Bank Holiday - Monday 28th August. We plan to visit Oakham Parish Church for the Bank Holiday organ recital at 11.15am to be given by Peter Davis, Director of Music at Oakham School on the 1996 Tickell organ. There is an opportunity to purchase lunch afterwards at a cost of £7.50. We then plan to visit Warkton church with a chance to play the 1877 Walker which the late Canon Hilary Davidson described as 'notable for its superior tone and great flexibility' and to see the Montagu memorials of Robilliac marble in the church. We conclude the afternoon with tea in Kettering at the kind invitation of our President Elect, John Wilson.

NDOA AGM 2023 - Saturday 4th November. Our 2023 Annual General Meeting will take place at St Peter and St Andrew, Corby, on the afternoon of Saturday 4th November.

NEWSLETTER EXTRA

May 2023



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Everyone is most welcome to attend come and play or just listen - whether or not you are an NDOA member

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All Saints' Oakham Bank Holiday recitals feature Paul Trepte, former DoM at Ely, on 1st May and Harry Jacques on 29th May - recitals at 11.15am; lunch thereafter at £7.50.

Royal Birmingham Conservatoire graduate **Oliver Neale** features on BBC Radio 3's Classical Mixtape on 1st May at 7pm playing the Introduction from Healey Willan's Op 149 from his <u>debut album</u> Passagalia.

Sheppard Singers in Concert at Christ Church Northampton on Sunday 14th May at 3pm, in one of our member Hilary Dolan's excellent concerts. All most welcome.

Colin Millington (St Mary's, Warwick) will play an Organ Recital at Thorpe Underwood House on Saturday 17th June at 7pm. Colin graduated from Cambridge last year where he was organ scholar at Corpus Christi College. His recital will show off the varied colours of the fine Walker organ, and there is a TV screen in each room. Homemade Pimm's and canapés in the garden. Tickets £17 from musicharrington@gmail.com or 01536 713944.

Martin Setchell will make a welcome return to St Mary Magdalene, Castle Ashby, on Saturday, 8th July at 7.30pm, with a concert showcasing Mr Handel and Friends with works by Bach, Handel and Guilmant, and In Lighter Mood including music by Percy Fletcher, Harold Britton's variations on Gershwin's I got rhythm and Morricone's Gabriel's Oboe. Tickets from Eventbrite (see flyer, right).

Pep Organ Composition Competition 2023 seeks composers to write new music for the pipe organ. The 2022 competition was won by our own Colin Ashworth, and the 2023 competition has a prize pool of \$500, 3 adjudicators and is open to all ages and countries. Entrants are asked to compose a 3-5 minute organ work in classical style. Closing date is 5th May 2023. Full details in the promotional video.

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Write an article for our quarterly *Newsletter* - about the organ that you play, the instrument you learnt on, or your favourite organ music - contributions for the next issue by 1st June, please to Richard at editor@northamptonorganists.org.uk.

Join us for only £10 (£15 for families and corporate members, and entirely free for students) - full details and a membership form are online at www.northamptonorganists.org.uk/join.



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Concert

SUNDAY 14th MAY 2023 3:00pm

CHRIST CHURCH, NORTHAMPTON

Christchurch Road, Northampton, NN1 5LL

All Welcome.



MARTIN SETCHELL

International Concert Organist, Christchurch, New Zealand

Martin makes a welcome return visit to play the fine 1872
Nicholson Organ, with a concert showcasing
Mr Handel and Friends with works by Bach, Handel and Guilmant,
and In Lighter Mood including music by Percy Fletcher,
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Ennio Morricone's Gabriel's Oboe from the film The Mission

Tickets only £15 per person including interval refreshments and a glass of wine from eventbrite.co.uk (booking fee applies)



Full Programme and more details online at eventbrite.co.uk



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