



**The Arthur Poister Scholarship Competition  
in Organ Playing**  
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Dear Colleague:

The Syracuse Chapter of the American Guild of Organists, in cooperation with the Malmgren Concert Series at Hendricks Chapel of Syracuse University, is pleased to announce the 2012 Arthur Poister Scholarship Competition in Organ Playing.

Again this year both first and second prizes will include recitals in Syracuse

The first place award of \$2500.00 will be presented at the winner's recital. This full-length recital, sponsored by the Syracuse Chapter, will be given in the Fall of 2012 on the historic and recently restored Crouse Holtkamp organ at Syracuse University.

A second place award of \$1,000.00 will be presented at a "Rising Star" recital. This recital, sponsored by the Malmgren Concert Series of Hendricks Chapel, will be booked during the 2012-2013 season at Hendricks Chapel, Syracuse University, on the second 3-manual organ Walter Holtkamp, Sr. built for Arthur Poister in 1952.

Organists who have not reached their 30<sup>th</sup> birthday before March 31, 2012 are eligible to compete. Contestants are to submit a recording on CD-R of their chosen compositions from the required categories. All entries must be received by February 4, 2012. A non-refundable entry fee will cover the cost of returning recordings and the judges' critiques. Up to six finalists will be chosen to compete Saturday, March 31, 2012 at St. Paul's Cathedral in Syracuse, New York.

An application and contest rules are enclosed. The enclosures may be reproduced as necessary. **Be very careful about the time limit.** *Several recent contestants have disqualified themselves by being overtime.*

Very truly yours,

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Enclosures

Application  
Certification of Recorded Performance  
Rules for the Preliminary Competition  
Rules for the Final Competition  
Arthur Poister Obituary (TAO, May 1980)

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