

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 and the Setnor School of Music of Syracuse University, is pleased to announce the 2014 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 2014 on the historic and recently restored Crouse College Holtkamp organ at the Setnor School of Music of 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 2014-2015 season at Hendricks Chapel, Syracuse University, on a second 3-manual organ by Walter Holtkamp, Sr., built for Arthur Poister in 1952.

Organists who have not reached their 30th birthday before March 29, 2014 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 8, 2014. 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 29, 2014 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) Copies of this entire mailing are posted on the Chapter Website: www.syracuseago.org