



# Calendar of Events 2024-25

## AMERICAN GUILD OF ORGANISTS - SARASOTA MANATEE CHAPTER

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2024**

**4:30 PM**

**Opening Program: Fall Kick-Off Session**

Church of the Redeemer, Sarasota

4:30 PM Organ Recital – Chapter Organists

5:15 PM Evensong-Charles Ives and His Contemporaries

6:00 PM Reception-Potluck Social

Join fellow AGO chapter members as we kick off the 2024-25 season. Please bring 1 dish to the reception



**SATURDAY, JANUARY 25, 2025**

**1:30 PM**

**KIDS 'N PIPES + ORGELKIDS**

First Presbyterian Church, Sarasota

1:30 PM Orientation: Organ Console + Pipe Chambers

3:00 PM Reception/Social

3:30 PM Orgelkids Kit Build

4:30 PM Brief Concert: Pipe Organ + Orgelkids Duet

*Don't miss this truly unique experience! We will provide an opportunity for local piano students from the Sarasota Music Conservatory to explore and play the pipe organ. For many, it may be their first time at the organ console and seeing the pipe chambers. Watch them assemble a "mini" pipe organ (Orgelkids kit) and learn the basics of pipe organ construction. For the finale, be treated to a commissioned work (composed by our own John Behnke) for pipe organ and the Orgelkids kit organ. Thanks to our friends in the SW Florida AGO chapter for making the Orgelkids kit available to us and helping with this event!*



**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2024**

**5:00 PM**

**Organ Concert + Extras  
Frédéric Blanc**

Church of the Redeemer  
Sarasota

5:00 PM Social Hour-French Cuisine (TICKETED - \$10)

5:30 PM Q&A Session/Lecture with Guest Organist

7:00 PM Organ Concert (FREE + 1 Guest)

*This will be an "All-French" themed evening. Frédéric Blanc is a French composer, organist and improviser. The last student of Marie-Madeleine Duruflé, he is titular organist of Notre-Dame d'Auteuil in Paris.*

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2024**

**10:00 AM**

**Venice Organ Crawl (Downtown)**

10:00 AM – Venice Presbyterian

12:30 PM – Epiphany Cathedral/Parish Center

1:45 PM – First Baptist, Venice

**Theme: Adapting to Change**

*Come see and hear how these 3 congregations are acquiring, installing, and/or updating organs at their installations. Listen to first hand accounts from the church organists of how they are adapting to changing instruments and music worship styles. Participate in organ crawls and open console opportunities.*

**Lunch break @ 11:30 a.m.** to explore historic downtown Venice as a group or on your own. Enjoy local eateries!

**FEBRUARY 2025**

**Organ Concert and Reception**

**Guest Artist, Venue - details being finalized  
Stay Tuned for a Later Update!**

**MONDAY, MAY 12, 2025**

**6:00 PM**

**Annual Meeting, Banquet, and Members Recital**

St. Armand's Key Lutheran Church, Sarasota

*Join us for the final event of the season and enjoy the sight and sounds of the recently installed Schantz organ!*