



AMERICAN GUILD OF ORGANISTS
ST. PETERSBURG, FLORIDA CHAPTER
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Membership Renewal Notice 2011-2012

It is now time to renew your membership for the 2011-2012 year. Your dues include a one-year subscription to **THE AMERICAN ORGANIST MAGAZINE** (TAO) and support for the programs run by the national organization and your local chapter. To continue receiving the benefits of membership and your TAO subscription, please mail your dues, payable to **ST. PETERSBURG A.G.O., by July 1, 2011**. Memberships received after August 15, 2011, will not be included in the Chapter's annual yearbook.

Check One	Membership Category	Dues	Amount paid
	Regular Voting Member	\$92	
	Special Voting Member (65 and over, under 21, or disabled)	\$67	
	Student Voting Member (full-time, with valid school ID)	\$37	
	Partner Voting Member (only 1 TAO per household)	\$67	
	Dual chapter Voting Member (Primary Chapter: _____)	\$36	
	Student Dual Chapter Member (Primary Chapter: _____)	\$15	
	Chapter Friend* (non-voting, no TAO, non-organist/choir director)	\$25	
	Contribution to Chapter		

**Under the National By-Laws, this level of membership is only available to individuals who are neither organists nor choral directors.*
 Article VII, Sec.3 (b) **Chapter Friends.** Chapter Friends shall consist of those individuals who (I) support the purposes of the Guild, (II) **are not organists or choral conductors**, [emphasis added] and (III) have paid the dues and fees set by the Chapter. Chapter Subscribing Members shall require no election to membership and shall have no vote. The privileges of this class of membership shall be (I) participation in Chapter activities and (II) receipt of Chapter publications. – AGO National ByLaws

Please complete this form, sign it, and return it with your payment. Total amount enclosed: _____

Name: <i>(including AGO certificates and academic degrees)</i>	
Street Address, City, St., ZIP	
Telephone(s)/Fax/Email	
Current Employer or Organization affiliation	
Position/Title	
Organ (Maker/No. of Ranks)	
Signature <i>(indicates agreement to abide by Code of Ethics printed in reverse side)</i>	

CODE OF ETHICS

Preamble: The purpose of the American Guild of Organists is to promote the organ in its historic and evolving roles, to encourage excellence in the performance of organ and choral music, and to provide a forum for mutual support, inspiration, education, and certification of Guild members. Voting members are entitled to enjoy the privileges and are expected to accept the responsibilities of membership in the Guild. Members shall be considered equally for Guild offices and participation in Guild activities. These are the rules that shall be considered binding upon all voting members in good standing.

RULE 1. Members shall promote good working relationships within the American Guild of Organists and shall respect the employment of colleagues. Members shall address differences between themselves and other members by following the procedures outlined in the *Discipline*.

RULE 2. Members shall not seek or appear to be seeking employment for themselves, a student, or a colleague, in a position held by someone else. Members shall apply for employment only for a position which the employer, with the knowledge of the incumbent musician, has officially and publicly declared vacant by announcement of the vacancy.

RULE 3. In cases pending under the *Procedures* or in cases where the National Council has determined that a position has been made vacant by wrongful termination of a member of the American Guild of Organists, members shall not seek or accept regular or permanent employment for themselves, a student, or colleague at that Institution until the National Council is satisfied that differences between the Guild and the Institution have been resolved. Interim services may be provided for a period of 90 days.

RULE 4. Before accepting an engagement for a wedding, funeral, or other service, members shall obtain the approval of the incumbent musician. In cases where this engagement has been requested by a third party, it is appropriate for the third party to offer the incumbent his/her customary fee. It is the responsibility of members to inform the third party of this rule.

RULE 5. Members shall conduct professional activities with truthfulness, honesty and integrity, and shall maintain sensitivity in matters of a personal or confidential nature.

RULE 6. Members shall not discriminate against others on the basis of race, national origin, age, religious affiliation, gender, marital status, sexual orientation, disability, or medical condition (including, but not limited to, Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome).