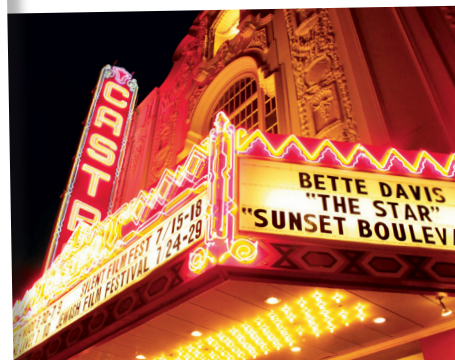


AGO 2024
SAN FRANCISCO

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You're invited to support the world's largest convention for organists and lovers of the organ and its music.



American Guild of
ORGANISTS

WHY GIVE TO SF AGO 2024?

The vitality and longevity of organ music and organ practice are truly bolstered by this once-in-a-generation event. Our key themes for this year's convention are **Diversity, the Environment, and Technology** — living hallmarks of the Bay Area ecosystem that are reflected in the musical art that is made here. These themes are woven throughout the convention. We invite you to partner with us to make this AGO SF 2024 convention a success.



Diversity: The San Francisco Bay Area is amongst the most diverse regions in the country. We believe that fostering a strong community of diversity, in every aspect, is crucial to keeping organ music alive, vital, vibrant, and thriving for the future. Eight talented individuals are working on newly commissioned pieces. Supporting these dynamic and diverse composers uplifts new organ music for our entire community to share and celebrate.



Environment: Our local ecosystem in the Bay Area reflects our region's human and natural diversity. The convention will take place on the tribal homelands of the Ohlone,* lands colonized by the Spanish and other European nations that drew people from all over the world as gold was discovered a short distance away at Sutter's Mill in 1848. The region is famous for its natural beauty, multiple biomes of living plants, animals, and creatures, and all of the food culture that grows up around such an abundance of fresh dairy, meat and produce that are locally produced. Bounded by coastal mountains and situated right on the Bay-San Francisco is an environment unto itself.



Technology: Organs, the delivery of music, scores and composing organ music are rapidly shifting and changing. While the traditional model for our art form continues to thrive, exploring opportunities at organ music's frontier are vital ways to advance the art form, make new audiences and engage more people into our community.

*Please see our land acknowledgment for more information about Ohlone land at sfago2024.org.



YOUR SUPPORT HAS A MEANINGFUL IMPACT.

Attending the convention inspires players to be better musicians, challenge themselves, and grow artistically and professionally. This unique gathering also creates relevance for work sometimes done in isolation, building a stronger sense of community and encouraging innovation amongst peers. The knowledge derived by individuals during the convention has an even more significant impact as attendees share their learnings at home with their churches, schools, and communities, spreading knowledge through access and inclusion.

Mission: Foster a thriving community of musicians who share their knowledge and inspire passion for the organ.

Vision: Engage, support and uplift every organist.



YOUR SUPPORT HELPS ORGANISTS THRIVE

Choosing to make a gift supports exceptional music and world-renowned performers, global premieres, economic and social impact as well as diversity and access. AGO conventions validate individual work through community.

- The largest gathering of organists and those associated with the organ world, drawing 1,500+ attendees.
- The place where the organ community comes together to learn, network, grow, innovate, and be inspired.
- An international forum for artists and composers from Asia, Europe, Mexico, and Canada.
- An engaging and empowering experience for young organ students, performers, and composers.

INSPIRING NEW COMMISSIONS

We have selected eight composers who reflect the convention's themes of Diversity, Environment and Technology.

- Of the eight proposed composers, four are women and six are Latinx or non-white
- Of the \$53,500 proposed in commissioning expenses, 50% is budgeted for female composers and 50% for male composers
- Composers include those born in every decade from the 1950s to the 1980s
- Half of the selected composers currently live outside the United States
- Composers range from experienced organists to those who have not written for the organ before
- Commissions will vary substantially in duration, performance difficulty and audience accessibility
- Performance idioms include music for worship, concert and theatre organ. In addition to solo works, commissions feature collaborative pieces with solo singer, recorded sounds, and percussion.

YOUR GIFT SUPPORTS ARTISTS, NEW WORK, AND PRODUCES THE SHOW!

The San Francisco AGO Steering Committee is pleased to partner with you to bring the 2024 convention to life. Producing a convention of this caliber is a collective effort, and our supporters play an essential role. **Registration fees combined with support from AGO National and chapters cover 60% of convention costs. The balance is contributed by generous supporters who share our love for the organists, the music, and the instrument.**



WAYS TO MAKE YOUR GIFT

Whatever giving pathway you choose, your generous support directly impacts our convention.

INDIVIDUAL CONTRIBUTIONS

Meaningful gifts of any size are the heart of support for SF AGO 2024. No gift is too big or too small, a gift of any amount will support convention production, scholarship underwriting and artists.

DONOR-ADVISED FUND

Request a grant distribution through your DAF sponsor. You can also designate SF AGO 2024 as a beneficiary for your donor-advised fund. Please be aware that DAF gifts only cover contributions for which no material benefit is accrued.

INSTALLMENT GIVING PROGRAM

Giving in any amount can be split among monthly, quarterly, or semi-annual payments. Once you decide your pledge amount, you can discuss with our team how you would like to make the payments to fulfill your pledge and still accrue the donor benefits at your philanthropy giving level.

CORPORATE GIFT MATCHING

Charitable giving is often matched by many employers. To double the impact of your gift for the convention please check with your employer about gift matching today.

GIVE A GIFT OF APPRECIATED STOCK

To make a gift or donation of stock, please contact us to receive the SF AGO 2024 brokerage account details and for any questions you may have.

IRA AND GIFTS FROM ANNUITIES

Many options exist to give from maturing annuities, IRA distributions and other tax advantageous vehicles.

TO LEARN MORE OR TO MAKE A DONATION:

Please contact Brian Larsen, Giving Committee Chair, via email at donate@sfago2024.org or by phone at 650.485.9179.

Tax EIN: 94-6074578 | All gifts are tax deductible to the extent allowed by law.

Please consult your tax advisor for more information.

GIVING OPPORTUNITIES AND DONOR BENEFIT LEVELS

You will be invited to curate your own philanthropic benefit experience, tailored to your interests and giving you unprecedented access behind the scenes, opportunities to meet the artists, and more. Benefit levels are cumulative except for complementary convention registrations and ad pages, the number/size listed at each level is the total the donor will receive.

Executive Producer's Circle \$25,000

We'll create a curated, magical convention experience specifically for you.

Please reach out to us to find out more about your exclusive convention access.

- Five (5) complimentary registrations to 2024 Convention, option to allocate registration to scholarship awardee(s)
- Hotel Room for the duration of the convention
- Recognition in the AGO National Convention Program Book-Full page ad of your choice
- Entry-way recognition signage for major events
- Individual recognition for donor sponsored named events
- Includes all benefits from levels listed below

Producer's Circle \$15,000 +

- Three (3) complimentary registrations to 2024 Convention, option to allocate registration to scholarship awardee(s)
- Complimentary upgrade to your hotel room booking
- Recognition in the AGO National Convention Program Book-Half page ad of your choice
- Individual recognition from stage at opening and closing event
- VIP Preferred seating at all concerts
- Special access to open rehearsals for donors
- Includes all benefits from levels listed below

Director's Circle \$10,000 +

- Two (2) complimentary registrations to 2024 Convention, (option to allocate registration to scholarship awardee(s))
- Recognition in the AGO National Convention Program Book-quarter page ad of your choice
- Individual recognition at opening and closing event
- Entry-way recognition signage for major events
- "First to know" communications before information is available to the public
- Opportunity to meet backstage with one of our featured artists
- Special access to all organ and tech tours
- Complimentary invitation to opening dinner or brunch event (June 29 or June 30)
- Includes all benefits from levels below

Mentor's Circle \$5,000 +

- One (1) complimentary registration to 2024 Convention
- Recognition two (2) places in the AGO National Convention Program Book as a San Francisco Select Club Member and for your specific level
- Preferred seating at all concerts
- Choose one signature reception
- Choose one behind the scenes or meet the artist opportunity
- Includes all benefits from levels below

San Francisco Select Circle \$2,024 +

- One (1) complimentary registration to 2024 Convention
- Recognition two (2) places in the AGO National Convention Program Book as a San Francisco Select Circle Member and for your specific donation level
- Donor Banner listing on exhibit hall floor
- Preferred seating at Grace Cathedral and St Ignatius Concerts
- Donor reception at Grace Cathedral and St Ignatius Concerts

Workshop Sponsorship \$600

A great opportunity to honor a colleague or chapter with special recognition at the workshop.

- Name recognition in the program book for the specific workshop
- Acknowledgement at the workshop with signage and mention from the podium

Benefit levels are cumulative

For more information about making your gift, please contact: Brian Larsen, SFAGO 2024 Giving Chair at 650.485.9179 or email donate@sfago2024.org.

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