

ÅLAND'S XXXI ORGAN FESTIVAL 26.6 - 3.7.2005



The theme for the Organ festival's jubilee year is French organ music from the 1800's and 1900's. There will also be some improvisational organ music. Artists from ten countries will participate.

The Festival begins with a magnificent jubilee concert in the Jomala church where Frauenchor Spandau, the orchestra Musica da Camera, Carl Borsuk and André Mielewczyk of Berlin will perform. The next day we will listen to the frequently celebrated French-Italian organist Silvano Rodi. Maria and Roman Perucki of Poland will give a matinee concert on organ and violin in St. Göran's church in Mariehamn. The same night the duo will perform in Föglö while the internationally renowned organist Jean-Christophe Geiser plays in Mariehamn.

For the first time in the Organ festival's 30-year history we'll hear an Icelandic artist; Kári Thormar of Hallgrímskirkja in Reykjavik, play in Saltvik. The internationally celebrated organ improviser Hampus Lindwall of Stockholm will hold a concert on the Grönlund organ in Mariehamn. David Saint of Birmingham performs at an organ matinee in Jomala. Jean-Pierre Leguay, of the Notre Dame cathedral in Paris, will the same day perform in Finström. At the grand finale in Mariehamn, we will listen to the popular European Organ Duo play fourhanded. In Kumlinge and Sottunga, we'll hear the soprano Therese Karlsson of Åland, accompanied by the organist Heikki Seppänen of Turku. Katrin and Henryk Gwardak will participate in the children's concert in the gallery in St. Göran's church in Mariehamn.

The 2005 Festival will close with a jubilee service in the church of Saltvik where the Oratorie choir from Åland, conducted by Judit Deáki, will sing. The vicar Stefan Snellman is the concert's Celebrant and Henryk Gwardak is organist.

A warm welcome to the jubilee week!

Sunday, 26.6 at 8:00 pm Jomala Church

Opening Concert Frauenchor Spandau, the Orchestra Musica da Camera, Carl Borsuk, conductor, André Mielewczyk, organ, Berlin, Germany (15€)

Monday, 27.6 at 8:00 pm Sund Church

Organ Concert Silvano Rodi, Ventimiglia, Italy / Monte Carlo, Monaco (10€)

Tuesday, 28.6 at 2:00 pm St. Göran's Church, Mariehamn

Organ and Violin Maria Perucki, violin, Roman Perucki, organ, Gdansk, Poland (admission free)

Tuesday, 28.6 at 8:00 pm St. Göran's Church, Mariehamn

Organ Concert Jean-Christophe Geiser, Lausanne, Switzerland (10€)

Tuesday, 28.6 at 8:00 pm Föglö Church

Organ and Violin Maria Perucki, violin, Roman Perucki, organ, Gdansk, Poland (10€)

Wednesday, 29.6 at 2:00 pm St. Göran's Church, Mariehamn

Children's Organ Concert Katrin & Henryk Gwardak (admission free)

Wednesday, 29.6 at 8:00 pm Saltvik Church

Organ Concert Kári Thormar, Reykjavik, Iceland (10€)

Thursday, 30.6 at 8:00 pm St. Göran's Church, Mariehamn

Concert "Contemporary French Organ Music" Hampus Lindwall, Stockholm, Sweden (10€)

Thursday, 30.6 at 8:00 pm Kumlinge Church

Concert Therese Karlsson, soprano, Heikki Seppänen, organ, Turku, Finland (10€)

Friday, 1.7 at 2:00 pm Jomala Church

Matinee Concert David Saint, organ, Birmingham, Great Britain (10€)

Friday, 1.7 at 8:00 pm Finström Church

Organ Concert Jean-Pierre Leguay, Paris / Dijon, France (10€)

Saturday, 2.7 at 2:00 pm Sottunga Church

Concert Therese Karlsson, soprano, Heikki Seppänen, organ, Turku, Finland (10€)

Saturday, 2.7 at 8:00 pm St. Göran's Church, Mariehamn

Final Concert European Organ Duo, Karol Golebiowski, Brussels, Belgium, Zygmunt Strzep, Hamburg, Germany (15€)

Sunday, 3.7 at 2:00 pm Saltvik Church

Jubilee Service Stefan Snellman, celebrant, the Oratorie Choir of Åland, Judit Deáki, conductor, Henryk Gwardak, organ

