



36th Anniversary - 2017

Kiwanis Music Festival of Guelph

Welcome to the 36th annual Kiwanis Music Festival of Guelph.

Many thanks to our participants, adjudicators, visitors, donors and sponsors, organizers, volunteers, Board and Committee members, media guests, and venues. We look forward to another wonderful Festival and hope you enjoy this valuable contribution to the cultural life of Guelph and Wellington County.

Please remember that the performers need absolute silence and you must wait to enter or leave the hall until there is a break in the performance. Please turn off all cell phones and other electronic devices. Photos and videos of performances may be taken if the performer has given their permission, but no flash photography and absolutely no recording of the adjudication is permitted. Please remain in your seat and be discreet while recording.

Please join us for the Highlights of the Festival Concert & Awards Ceremony on Friday, May 12 at St. George's Church at 7 pm. It will feature some of the finest performances heard during the Festival, as well as the presentation of medals and \$13,500 in scholarships. Please call the River Run Centre Box Office at 519-763-3000 for tickets. Tickets are \$15/Adults, \$10/Students & Seniors, and \$5/Children age 12 & Under. Many thanks to our sponsor, Corus Entertainment.

Pipe Organ Adjudicator Joel VanderZee

Joel VanderZee studied engineering at Purdue University in West Lafayette, Indiana before completing a degree in Music Theory and Composition at Calvin College in Grand Rapids, Michigan. He went on to earn a Master's degree in Organ Performance under the tutelage of Dr. Karl Schrock at Western Michigan University in Kalamazoo. While in Michigan, Joel served as Director of Music Ministries at Second Congregational United Church of Christ and as Organ Scholar at St. Mark's Episcopal Church, both in Grand Rapids. In 2008, Joel was awarded the AAGO Prize by the American Guild of Organists for achieving the highest score in the nation on the Guild's Associateship examination.

After emigrating to Canada in the fall of 2008 to serve as Director of Music and Arts Ministry at St. Andrew's United Church, Chatham, Ontario, Joel fell into an opportunity to follow a long-standing desire to build organs. He left St. Andrew's a year later to pursue this work full time. His company, VanderZee Organs, currently oversees the tuning and maintenance of around 100 instruments in southwest Ontario, performs major restorations and rebuilds, and produces new, small instruments in its shop.

Joel remains active as a performer, appearing frequently as a recitalist and accompanist. In addition, he has sung with the Elora Festival Singers, Arcady, and Nota Bene. He is also a commissioned composer, with compositions published by GIA and Adoro and performed under the batons of Joe Miller, Pearl Shangkuan and Donald Nally.



FRIDAY AFTERNOON, APRIL 07, 2017
BASILICA OF OUR LADY
Adjudicator - Joel VanderZee
PIPE ORGAN

4:30 PM CLASS PO114
Pipe Organ - Traditional
Grade 8

Own choice of two contrasting pieces.

Time limit of 15 minutes.

1. Julian Mason - Arkell