

## ORGAN

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For 2008-09, Organ Applicants have a prescreening requirement in advance of an audition in Rochester. Consult the Audition Repertory webpage within the Admissions website and on the Prescreening Form for details. Applicants should submit a DVD recording (strongly preferred!) but may also submit a standard VHS recording if a DVD is not possible. The Prescreened recording must be submitted by December 1 and sent with the Prescreening Form and a complete repertoire list – if not, your recording may not be reviewed.

Following prescreening review, a limited number of candidates will be invited to audition on one of their preferred audition dates. Following their confirmed audition date, applicants are REQUIRED to email David Higgs, Professor of Organ, and Chair of the Organ and Historical Keyboards department at least two weeks prior to your arrival so that arrangements can be made for you to practice on the audition instrument. It is in your best interests to make these arrangements upon confirmation of your scheduled audition!

**THE ORGAN FACULTY WOULD LIKE TO REMIND YOU THAT YOU ARE REQUIRED TO BRING YOUR AUDITION REPERTORY FORM AND A COMPLETE REPERTOIRE LIST TO YOUR AUDITION.**

Professor Higgs prefers to be contacted directly by e-mail < [david.higgs@usa.net](mailto:david.higgs@usa.net) >. Prof. Higgs or a member of his department will contact applicants to confirm practice arrangements. Applicants will be assigned memory levels when they arrive. All organ auditions are held on Fridays; there will be practice times available on this organ Thursdays in the late evening and Fridays in the morning between 7:30 am and 9:00 am when audition convocation begins. Availability is subject to mandatory scheduled audition appointments. In addition to the organ in Schmitt Hall, practice organs are located on the fourth floor of the main building (to the left as you exit the elevator). Applicants may gain access to these instruments by proceeding to the fourth floor and asking any organ student present to unlock a practice room for the purposes of audition preparation.

Information about the Organ and Historical Keyboards Department with links to the Department webpage and the Eastman Rochester Organ Initiative (EROI) can be found at: <http://www.rochester.edu/Eastman/departments/organ.php> For questions about the EROI initiative, please contact Prof. Hans Davidsson directly at [hdavidsson@esm.rochester.edu](mailto:h davidsson@esm.rochester.edu) or by phone at: 585-274-1511.

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### Specifications of the Organ Used for Auditions

The instrument on which organ applicants audition at the Eastman School of Music was built by Van Daalen in 1979, and rebuilt by Dobson in 2000. This organ is located in the Schmitt Organ Recital Hall at the end of the first hallway on the right off the Main Hall.

<b>Great:</b>	<b>Swell:</b>	<b>Pedal:</b>	<b>Couplers:</b>
Bourdon 16	Viol Principal 8	Bourdon 16	Great to Pedal
Prestant 8	Gedeckt 8	Prestant 8	Swell to Pedal
Rohrflöte 8	Gemshorn Celeste 8	Gedeckt 8	Swell to Great
Octave 4	Principal 4	Choralbass 4	
Spitzflöte 4	Spillflöte 4	Nachthorn 4	
Principal 2	Nasard 2 2/3	Mixture IV	
Blockflöte 2	Spitzprincipal 2	Fagott 16	
Quintflöte 1 1/3	Scharf III	Trumpet 8	
Mixture IV	Cornet IV (tenor C)	Rohrschalmey 4	
Sesquialtera II	Dulzian 16	Tremulant	
Trumpet 8	Trumpet 8		
Cromorne 8	Hautbois 8		
Tremulant	Tremulant		

- 45 ranks
- Mechanical key action/electric stop action
- Solid State Logic combination system-256 memory levels
- 10 general pistons (thumb and toe)
- 6 Great pistons, 6 Swell pistons, and 5 Pedal pistons
- Coupler reversible pistons
- Tutti thumb and toe pistons
- Next/Previous thumb and toe pistons
- Crescendo Pedal