

Eastman Organists' Tuesday Pipes return for the 2021-22 season

The Eastman School of Music Organ Department kicks off a new season of Tuesday Pipes — 25-30 minute organ recitals by Eastman students, faculty, and guests as part of the department's ongoing initiative to bring outstanding organ music to the Rochester community. These weekly lunchtime concerts will begin, after a long hiatus, on August 10th at 12:10 pm at Christ Church, 141 East Ave. Events are free and open to the public. Parking is available on the street and in the East End Garage across the street from the church.

Christ Church is home to two of Rochester's most prized instruments: the Craighead-Saunders Organ in the rear gallery is a scientific process-reconstruction of an 18th-century instrument that still exists today in Vilnius, Lithuania, created by the central German organ builder Adam Gottlob Casparini in 1776. Completed after six years of research on the original instrument in Vilnius, it is perhaps the only instrument in the United States where one can hear the music of Bach just as he might have heard it. At the opposite end of the church, the Hook & Hastings Organ in the chancel represents the 19th-century American Romantic tradition, featuring original pipes from 1861 and 1893.

Upcoming performers on this series include:

August 10th: Edith Yam

August 17th: Ryan Chan

August 24th: William Porter

August 31st: Wendy Yuen

Christ Church is located just across from the Eastman School, a short walk from numerous lunchtime hotspots in Rochester's East End. Experience Eastman's pipe organs before grabbing lunch at Java's Café, Spot Coffee, Twisted Tap, Tournedos, Orange Glory, and many others.

Each program will offer a variety of soundscapes and colors that are sure to delight and satisfy the ear. Come hear what the King of Instruments can do, played by the talented and hard-working organists of Eastman!

Upcoming concerts will be posted on the Eastman School of Music Organ Events webpage. For more information on Tuesday Pipes, please visit <http://www.esm.rochester.edu/organ/events/>.