Eastman Organists' Community Concerts return for the 2023-2024 season.

The Eastman School of Music Organ Department kicks off a new season of Community Concerts — short organ recitals by Eastman students as part of the department's ongoing initiative to bring outstanding organ music to the Rochester community. From October to April, students will perform in monthly concerts in local churches around Rochester, facilitating a musical connection between organists and the community beyond weekly Sunday services. Events are open to the public, and a free-will offering will benefit the Eastman Organ Department student travel fund.

The following churches have graciously offered to host Community Concerts:

Friday, October 20th, 7:00pm: St. Joseph's Church Penfield 43 Gebhardt Rd, Penfield, NY 14526

Sunday, November 19th, 4:00pm: Zion Episcopal Church Palmyra 120 E Main St, Palmyra, NY 14522

Friday, December 8th, 7:00pm: First Baptist Church - Penfield: Naomi Gregory 1862 Penfield Rd, Penfield, NY 14526

*Friday, January 26th, 2024, 7:00pm: Bethlehem Lutheran Church, Fairport 48 Perrin St, Fairport, NY 14450

Sunday, February 25th, 3:00pm: St. John of Rochester 8 Wickford Way, Fairport, NY 14450

Sunday, March 10th, 3:00pm: Immanuel Lutheran Church 131 W Main St, Webster, NY 14580

Friday, March 22nd, 7:00pm: United Church of Canandaigua, 11 W Gibson St, Canandaigua, NY 14424

Sunday, April 7th, 4:00pm: Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd 1130 Webster Rd, Webster, NY 14580

The variety of instruments to be showcased throughout the series is interesting for performers and concertgoers alike. Since every pipe organ is noticeably different from the next, each program will offer a variety of sounds and colors that are sure to delight listeners. Come, hear what the 'King of Instruments' can do, played by the talented and hard-working students of Eastman!

Held monthly at various churches around Rochester, upcoming concerts will be posted on the Eastman School of Music 'Organ Events' webpage. Please refer to the link below for up-to-date info on location, times, and performers.

For more information on the Community Concert Series, please visit <u>http://www.esm.rochester.edu/organ/events/</u>.