**AMERICAN GUILD OF ORGANISTS**

**DENVER ROCKY MOUNTAIN CHAPTER**

Dear Music Teacher:

RE: Organ Study Scholarship Program 2019

For a number of years, the Denver Rocky Mountain Chapter of the American Guild of Organists (AGO) has sponsored a summer organ scholarship program. The goal of this program is to share our love of organ playing and literature with talented young middle school and high school pianists.

The competition begins with nomination by their music instructor and completion of a short application form, *which is enclosed*. It will also be available for download at [www.agodrmc.org](http://www.agodrmc.org). Students may email or mail the completed packet to: Billie Busby Smith email: [bilbuzbee@comcast.net](mailto:bilbuzbee@comcast.net) or 330 Humboldt Street Denver, CO. 80218.

Applications must be received by **midnight on Tuesday, April 2.**

Auditions will be held on **Saturday, May 11, 2019**

The winners of the competition will receive free organ instruction from AGO organists/instructors during the summer of 2019. There will be an orientation to kick off the summer of study. There will also be the opportunity to perform at the scholarship concert on **September 9, 2019**. Both the orientation and concert will be held at St. John’s Cathedral in Denver.

This program has been very successful in past years and we are hoping that it will continue to encourage young musicians to expand their talents.

We view the area piano instructors as a major source of “getting the word out” to talented young pianists. Would you please consider nomination of your talented young pianists who might be interested in learning a second instrument? If not, could you discuss with your colleagues?

Thank you for your assistance. Please feel free to contact me if you have questions.

Sincerely,

Billie Busby Smith, Organ Scholarship Coordinator

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