

# 2016 WorcAGO Scholarship Recital

## Brenda Castro

Three hymntune settings

Prospect

Dennis

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Alfred Fedak  
Wayne Leupold  
Randolph Currie

## Deborah Colageo

Gelobet seist du

Aria

Toccata in Seven

J. S. Bach  
Flor Peeters  
John Rutter

## Joshua Pak

Prelude, Fugue, and Chaconne

Dieterich Buxtehude

## Laura Jenny

Pedal Variation on "Old Folks at Home"

Ave Verum

Toccata in E minor

Dudley Buck  
W.A. Mozart, arr. Alexander Schreiner  
Johann Pachelbel

## Lauren Engquist

Prelude in G minor

Prelude in C Major

Too Much Fun for Two Feet \*

Toccata for Lauren \*

J. S. Bach  
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William Ness  
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\* World Premiere Month

## Cathy Merrill

Sonata in C minor, Op. 65, no. 2

Grave - Adagio - Allegro maestoso e vivace - Allegro moderato

Felix Mendelssohn

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## NEXT WorcAGO CONCERTS:

**Sunday July 31 1-4 PM** Garden Tour with Freshly Picked Melodies

(outdoor chamber music, indoor piano, pipe organ concerts every half hour, fundraiser for Scholarship Fund)

**Wednesday Aug 3 Noon** - Sean Redrow, organist - Mechanics Hall - FREE

**Wednesday Aug 10 Noon** - Brett Maguire, organist - Mechanics Hall - FREE

**Wednesday Nov 30 Noon** - All That (Holiday) Jazz (organ + jazz orchestra)  
- Mechanics Hall - FREE



Catherine Merrill, Brenda Castro, Lauren Engquist, Laure Jenny, Joshua Pak, Deborah Colageo

## WorcAGO Scholarship Program

Celebrating 25 years, the WorcAGO Scholarship Program is one of the hallmarks of our chapter. It's an important part of our mission, not only to provide educational programming throughout the year, but also financial support for training of member organists who are taking lessons from member teachers. Our program has had over 100 recipients in its 25-year history, and features a recital by the recipients to showcase their progress.

**Laura Jenny** is a violinist, pianist, and organist who has been studying music for nine years. She is currently studying violin with Ms. Fudeko Takahashi Cohler and is a member of the Worcester Youth Orchestra. Before that she has been a member of the New England Conservatory's Junior Repertoire Orchestra, the Youth Ensemble of New England, the Fitchburg State Chamber Orchestra, and the concert mistress of the Worcester Youth Orchestras. She was appointed to direct the music program at the Boys and Girls club of Central Massachusetts and has taught music and organized concerts for the children at the Boys and Girls Club. Other than her orchestra performances, she has also done solo performances at the Boys and Girls club and at the Leominster Winter Stroll.

**Deborah J Colageo** is currently employed as collaborative pianist for the choir at Cushing Academy in Ashburnham, under the direction of Mr. Desh Hindle. She studies voice with Jane Shivick. Over the years Mt. Wachusett Community College has been served in various areas, such as piano accompanist and musical director for children's theatre camp. For two years she has been accompanist for their Chamber Choir and is now the organist and director at Messiah Lutheran Church, Fitchburg.

**Joshua Pak** is currently attending 10th grade at the Acton-Boxborough Regional High School in Acton, MA. He has been learning the piano since the age of 7 with Ms. Leslie Bates from Concord, MA. Afterwards, he started the clarinet when he was 9 years old, and is currently studying with Ms. Debbie Levine from Acton, MA. He played with the Blanchard Memorial Elementary School band in Boxborough, MA, for 3 years. Under the supervision of Mr. Chris Baird, his band won two consecutive Gold MCCA awards. In 2012, he then joined the Youth Ensemble of New England, which practices at Thayer Conservatory in Lancaster, MA. He is currently playing first clarinet and touring with the ensemble across New England. Joshua enjoys creating music through his own hands and he is grateful for the opportunities to play clarinet and piano.

**Lauren Engquist** began organ lessons under William Ness in 2014. She has no doubt that she has found her life's passion in playing the organ, and she is working diligently toward her goal of becoming a church organist. She is grateful to Mr. John Weit and Mr. Brett Maguire, who have graciously allowed her to practice on the organs of the Trinity Lutheran Church and Wesley Methodist Church in Worcester. Lauren has played piano for six years, and is currently a student of Inna Muravnik at the Pakachoag Music School. Last Thanksgiving, she performed on the piano at the Bavarian Inn in Frankenmuth, Michigan. For the past four years she has been a member of the chorus at the Shrewsbury Montessori School, where she also recently delivered a presentation on pipe organs to the student body.

As a freshman at Fitchburg State University, **Brenda Castro's** main goal in life is to be happy. Music is what keeps her heart beating. Ever since she was 5 years old, her father taught her how to play the piano. Brenda realized that she was given the talent of reading, playing, and singing, to praise the Lord. She knows that she has a lot to handle such as school and work, but she is dedicated to music. Brenda hopes that her playing would bring happiness to the listening ears.

**Catherine Merrill** began piano lessons at age 5 and continued for 12 years, adding organ study under Dr. Catharine Morgan during her last two years of high school. She was an organist for St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church in Norristown, PA from 1976 to 1979, and a pianist for St. Theresa the Little Flower Catholic Church in Summerville, SC from 1986 to 1989. Her interest in the organ has rekindled after raising 4 children, and she is currently staff organist at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Charlton, MA.