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## INVITATION

Welcome aboard for another exciting adventure...amidst the history and traditions of organ music in Belgium, one of the Low Countries with a present-day high profile as a founding member of the European Union, seat of the European Parliament, and headquarters of NATO.

Though we tend to be distracted by the music of surrounding nations - France, Germany, and the Netherlands - Belgium has always been a prosperous and cosmopolitan center of commerce and culture, and certainly holds its own as regards important musical personalities and significant Belgian influences that have colored the evolution of western European music from the early Renaissance forward.

Early Baroque Flemish virtuoso Peeter Cornet was considered one of the finest keyboard composers of his day. And Charles Auguste de Bériot developed an influential Belgian School of violin playing in the 19th century, a style furthered by Henri Vieuxtemps and Eugene

Ysaye, and manifest in our time by the artistry of Arthur Grumiaux.

A very influential figure on the 19th century organ scene was Belgian-born composer and critic François-Joseph Fétis. Author of the comprehensive *Biographie universelle des musiciens*, Fétis taught at the Paris Conservatory and later was director of the Royal Conservatory in Brussels where Jacques-Nicolas Lemmens was his protégé. Their promotion of the music of Bach (and the use of the organ pedals in German manner) would transform the consciousness and careers of budding Parisian virtuoso Alexandre Guilmant and Charles-Marie Widor, who studied with Lemmens in Brussels.

Remember that their older contemporary, César Franck, whose compositions would forever change the soul of French romantic organ, was born in Liège, as was Joseph Jongen, composer of a monumental *Symphonie Concertante* for organ and orchestra that is, in some minds, a work at least equal, if not superior, to the much more-often-heard *Organ Symphony* by Saint-Saëns. And we Americans are well aware of the

work of Belgium's foremost touring virtuoso of the late 20th century, Flor Peeters, long-time organist at the Cathedral of Mechelen. But lesser known organist-composers from Belgium, such as Abraham van den Kerckhoven, Lambert Chaumont, Joseph Callaerts, Edgar Tinel, and August de Boeck, also are worth exploring.

We'll visit both the Dutch-speaking Flemish and French-speaking Walloon regions, and experience instruments from five centuries by Goltfusz, Goynaut, Picard, Van Peteghem, Korfmacher, Van Bever, Schyven, and Loncke, with a visit to the atelier of André Thomas included.

Despite inevitable external influences, the Belgian organ culture has its own personality, and I invite you to discover it with me.

Sign up now!



## ITINERARY

### TUE 15 MAY

### Depart U.S.

Depart JFK on the non-stop, overnight flight to Brussels via Delta Airlines. (Meals in-flight)

### WED 16 MAY

### Arrive Brussels

Arrive in Brussels at 9:20A this morning, where you will be met and transferred to the hotel. Store your luggage and enjoy some time to stroll and stop for lunch. This afternoon brings your introduction to the Belgian organ scene, including one of the most important instruments created by one of Belgium's most renowned organ builders, Pierre Schyven. Upon return to the hotel gather for a welcome dinner. Hotel Marivaux (Meals in-flight, D) <http://www.hotelmarivaux.be>

- Laeken - Onze Lieve Vrouwekerk: Schyven (1874, IIP/54)
- Grimbergen Basilica: Jean-Thomas Forceville, Jean-Baptiste Bernabé Goynaut (1751, IIP/41)
- Choir organ: Joris Potvlieghe (1999, IP/10)

### THU 17 MAY

### Brussels

The newest instrument of the tour is on today's agenda - those who visited the Grenzing Workshop during the 2013 Spain trip will appreciate this. Hotel Marivaux (B)

- Brussels - Kerk van Onze Lieve Vrouw: Hippolyte Loret (1849, IIP/29)
- Brussels - St Michael and St Gudula Cathedral: Grenzing (2000, IVP/62)
- Jette - Sint-Pieterskerk: Van Bever brothers (1898, IIP/32)
- Sint-Pieters-Woluwe - Onze-Lieve-Vrouw-van-Gratiënkerk: Kleuker (1981, IVP/46)

### FRI 18 MAY

### Brussels/Liège

Travel into eastern Belgium where the last visit of the day will be to Alden Biesen Castle, which dates to the 16th-18th centuries. Ramada City Center (B, D) <https://ramadaplaza-liege.com>

- Leuven - Great Beguinage - Sint Jan de Doperkerk: Peter Goltfusz (1692, IP/13)
- Leuven - Jesuit House: Cavaillé Coll (IIP/15)
- Tongeren Basilica Onze Lieve Vrouw: Jean-Baptiste le Picard (1752, IVP/49); choir organ: André Thomas (1997, IP/7 (6))
- Alden Biesen Castle: Aegidius-Franciscus Van Peteghem (1788, IIP/18)

### SAT 19 MAY

### Liège

The first visit today is to the most historic instrument of the tour. Later today tour the Thomas Workshop - a 52-year-old company now in the hands of the third generation of Thomases. Ramada City Center (B)

- Liège - Église Saint-Jacques: Anonymous/Guido Schumacher (1600/1998, IIP/35 (34))
- Liège - Église Saint-Roch: Jean-Baptiste le Picard (1747, IP/12)
- Spa - Église Notre-Dame et Saint-Remacle: André Thomas (1992, IIP/26)
- Stavelot - Église Primaire Saint-Sébastien: Wilhelm Korfmacher (1841, IIP/26)
- Thomas Workshop

### SUN 20 MAY

### Liège/Bruges

After hotel check-out, travel to Mechelen to arrive in time for worship at Sint-Rimbouts Cathedral followed by a visit to the tower and carillon. Continue to Antwerp and visit the newly restored Schyven organ before arrival in Bruges later today. Hotel Aragon (B, D) <http://www.aragon.be/en>

- Mechelen - Sint-Rombouts Cathedral: Jos Stevens (1924, 1958, IVP/84)
- Antwerp Cathedral: Pierre Schyven (1891, IVP/90); transept organ: Oskar Metzler & Söhne (1993, IIP/45 (42))

### MON 21 MAY

### Bruges

Today's visits are to towns along the Belgian coast. Hotel Aragon (B)

- Veurne - Sint Walburgakerk: Joseph Loncke (1967, IIP/42)
- Koksijde-Bad - Onze Lieve Vrouw ter Duinenkerk: Joseph Loncke (1991, IIP/42)
- Gistel Moere - Sint Niklaaskerk: Pieter Van Peteghem (1776, IP/12)
- Oostende - Sint Petrus en Pauluskerk: Pierre Schyven (1907, IIP/43); choir organ: Dominique Thomas (2005, IIP/11)

### TUE 22 MAY

### Bruges/Ghent

After hotel check-out, enjoy time to explore Bruges and have a bite of lunch. At noon, visit the Bruges Cathedral, then depart for Ghent with visits en route. Arrive in Ghent for hotel check-in, dinner and overnight. Hotel Harmony (B D) <http://www.hotel-harmony.be/en/>

- Bruges Cathedral: Klais (1935, IIP/45)
- Oostkamp - Sint Petrusbandenkerk: Jacobus Van Eynde (1717, IIP/13)
- Tielt - Sint Pieterskerk: Georges Delmotte (1969, IIP/50 (42))

### WED 23 MAY

### Ghent

Journey into the Flemish Ardennes today. This evening attend a concert by the Academy of Ancient Music with Soprano Rowan Pierce featuring music of John Dowland, Henry Purcell, Georg Friedrich Händel and Thomas Arne. Hotel Harmony (B)

- Geraardsbergen - Sint Bartholomeuskerk: Charles Anneessens (1890, IIP/40)
- Sint Lievens Houtem - Sint Michaelskerk: Pieter & Lambertus-Benoit Van Peteghem (1780, IIP/18)
- Schendelbeke - Sint Amanduskerk: Pierre Charles (II) Van Peteghem (1833, IP/9)

### THU 24 MAY

### Ghent

This morning discover organs in villages outside of Ghent. Hotel Harmony (B)

- Melsen - Sint-Stefanuskerk: Van Peteghem, 1834 (IP/8), restored by Pels-Dhondt in 1998
- Eke - Sint Amanduskerk: André Thomas, 1994 (IIP/21)
- Ghent - Onze Lieve Vrouw Sint Pieters: Pierre Charles (II) Van Peteghem (1847, IIP/33)
- Ghent - Sint-Annakerk: Schyven (1904, IIP/22)

### FRI 25 MAY

### Ghent

Today's visits are within the historic Ghent city center. This evening gather for a festive farewell dinner. Hotel Harmony (B, D)

- Kloosterkerk der Ongeschoeide Karmelieten (Het Rustpunt): Schyven (1894, IIP/17 (15))
- Sint Niklaaskerk: Flentrop (1973, IIP/26)
- Sint-Stefanuskerk (Augustinerkerk): Forrest (1873, III/P35)
- Saint Bavo Cathedral: Klais (1935, VP/90)

### SAT 26 MAY

### Return to U.S.

After breakfast and hotel check-out, transfer to the Brussels airport for flight check-in and 10:30A departure on the non-stop flight to JFK. (B, Meals in-flight)

Code: **Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner**  
Itinerary subject to change.

**TOUR CONDITIONS**

**PAYMENT SCHEDULE:** Your reservation and deposit of \$750 per person are requested immediately to fulfill the group deadline requirements. Note that space is limited and reservations are taken on a first come, first served basis. Final payment is due March 9, 2018. For credit card payment APM accepts Visa, MasterCard, Discover or American Express. **IMPORTANT: Credit card payments cannot be accepted via email.**

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**LATE BOOKINGS:** Passengers registering within thirty days of tour departure will be charged a \$50 per person fee. Tour payment in full is required before we can request and confirm space. This fee does not cover any additional ground service charges.

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- ORGAN EXPERTS:** Rachel Perfecto with Paul de Maeyer serving as the accompanying organ impresarios.
- PROFESSIONAL GUIDE:** A professional tour manager/guide throughout.
- GRATUITIES:** Gratuities to drivers, guide and organ experts (for your convenience, \$109 per person has been included).
- TAXES:** Airport/foreign departure taxes
- ALL THE INFO YOU NEED:** Comprehensive documentation including travel accessory, bag tags, name badges, flight and land itineraries, destination literature, customs information, travel tips and more.

**COST SUMMARY**

**\$4949**

From JFK

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 Costs per person based on double occupancy in USD

**Optional Individual Supplement**

Single Room..... \$799  
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Barone is a graduate (B.M. in Music History) of the Oberlin Conservatory in Ohio, and an internationally known advocate for the pipe organ and its music. He has received special honors from the American Guild of Organists, the Organ Historical Society, the American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers (ASCAP), and the Minnesota Music Hall of Fame for his contributions to the musical community at large and to organ music in particular.

**RACHEL PERFECTO** is originally from Poughkeepsie, New York, and studies organ and improvisation with Paul De Maeyer. With interests in both science and music, she double-majored in astrophysics and music at Yale University, where she graduated 'magna cum laude' in 2015. A member of the Yale Guild



of Carillonneurs for four years, Rachel studied carillon with Ellen Dickinson before moving to Belgium to study at the Royal Carillon School with the support of the Belgian American Educational Foundation. She graduated in 2016 with greatest distinction and is now pursuing masters studies in choral conducting at the Royal Conservatory of Antwerp. Rachel is also an avid oboist and orchestral conductor. While at Yale, she was the principal oboist and assistant conductor of the Yale Symphony Orchestra, assistant conductor of the Saybrook College Orchestra, and conductor of the Yale Undergraduate Ballet Company orchestra. As an oboe soloist, she has performed with the Yale Symphony Orchestra and the United States Military Academy Band at West Point, NY.

**PAUL DE MAEYER** is a well-known international concert organist who is regularly invited to festivals for his beautiful improvisations and original programs. As a professor at the Ghent Academy of Music in creative keyboard arts and organ performance, he is inspired by the fabulous historic legacy of organs in the Low Countries. Paul conducts his own workshops as a composer and a teacher in the Saint-Nicolas Church, with the famous Cavallé-Coll organ from 1856, in the heart of the historic city of Ghent. He is the creator of the Flemish Organ Days, the Cavallé-Coll Colloquium Ghent, and a living organ culture in the Augustinian Monastery of Ghent, where he serves as a liturgical organist and director of the organ festival. After his studies at the Conservatory of Leuven, where he achieved the diplomas for Organ, History of Music and Pedagogy of Music, he also obtained the soloist-certification "Master of Music" at Utrecht Conservatory with Reitze Smits. He attended master classes for organ and improvisation with Hans Van Nieuwkoop, Ewald Kooiman, Jos Van Immerseel, Michel Chapuis and Thierry Escaich. His organ-repertoire consists of a large selection of original, highly esteemed, organ music from the middle-ages



to the present, from the Robertsbridge Codex to Bach, Franck, Liszt and the newest creations. The choice of the program is always based on a detailed study of the style and the possibilities of the organ. Each of his numerous concerts of organ improvisations explores a new vein of inspiration evoking the European organ literature, folklore, the liturgy essence, programmed images on a screen, natural elements as well as themes invented by the Paul himself.

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