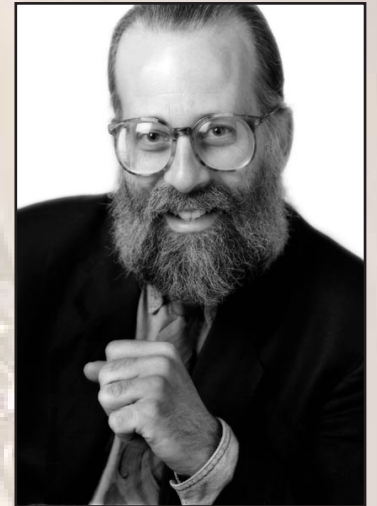


# HISTORIC ORGANS IN BACH COUNTRY

A Pipedreams Tour to Eastern Germany and Prague

*with Minnesota Public Radio's  
PIPEDREAMS® host J. Michael Barone*

**April 21 - May 3, 2002**



J. MICHAEL BARONE

## **JOURNEY HIGHLIGHTS**

- Hear and play more than 3 dozen of Germany and Prague's finest and most historic organs of the region.
- Meet and talk with performers and builders
- Tour the Schuke Organ Factory in Potsdam
- Experience the towns and instruments related to Bach, Handel, Schumann, Brahms and Liszt
- Explore the organ builder Gottfried Silbermann in and around Dresden
- Tour Prague, the jewel of the New Czech Republic



MINNESOTA PUBLIC RADIO

Minnesota Public Radio's PIPEDREAMS® is pleased to present this extraordinary opportunity. You are invited to join me in a tour of discovery in Bach Country. We will visit his hometown and other cities where he lived and worked, plus other important historic sites. We will hear instruments by organ builders of Bach's period, made by his friends and professional colleagues whose pipe organs he respected and admired. We will also visit some 19th and 20th century organs in a land famous for organ music.

Our package combines the delight of travel to a foreign destination with the fellowship of organ enthusiasts and an exceptionally interesting itinerary.

The tour also offers you the chance to help support our PIPEDREAMS

broadcasts (our reasonable fee includes a \$300 contribution to support PIPEDREAMS).

Travel back in time. Open that church door and peer inside. Hear the incredible, vital voice of instruments you have only read about or have known through CDs. Then climb the winding stairs to view the organ up close. If you wish, lay your hands on its keyboards and let its time-honored voice sing just for you. Prepare to be enchanted.

I look forward to having you with us.

*Michael Barone*

*P.S. Registrations are strongly encouraged by January 21, 2002*

## DAILY ITINERARY

### SUN 21 APR Depart USA

Depart the United States for your overnight flight to Berlin, Germany. Enjoy complimentary meals, beverages and movies en route. (Meals in-flight)

### MON 22 APR Arrive Berlin/Potsdam

Arrive Berlin's Tegel Airport, meet your local guide and coach driver, and enjoy a panoramic tour of Berlin, the capital of Germany. See the Tiergarten, Brandenburg Gate, Unter den Linden Boulevard, and the new capitol site. After a short lunch on your own, reassemble for the drive to Potsdam, where you will visit the Schuke organ factory. En route visit the chapel at Schloss Charlottenburg for a demo of the 1706 Schnitger organ (26 stops), which had been destroyed by bombing during World War II and was reconstructed by Karl Schuke in 1969. Also hear the E. & G.G. Hook organ, built in Boston in 1870 and recently restored for Berlin's Heiligen Kreuz. Transfer to your hotel in Potsdam for dinner on your own and overnight. If energy abounds, perhaps wander through Sanssouci Park before turning in for the evening. (Meals in-flight)

### TUE 23 APR Berlin/Potsdam

After breakfast depart the hotel for a coach tour of Sanssouci Park and hear the Friedenskirche organ (1909 Sauer) at Sanssouci Park grounds. Drive into Berlin for more organ visits. See the 1985 Eule organ at the French Church and the 1755 Migendt organ, formerly owned by Princess Anna Amalia of Prussia, now at the Evangelical Church of Karlshorst. Also see the Sauer organ (1905) at the Berlin cathedral, and either the Jehmlich organ at the Nikolaikirche or at the Schauspielhaus. Dinner is arranged for the group in a local restaurant. Return to Potsdam for overnight. Possibility of attending a concert in Berlin this evening. (B, D)

### WED 24 APR Wittenberg/Leipzig

Have an early breakfast at your hotel, then depart Potsdam for Wittenberg. Once there

hear and see the magnificent Ladegast organ (1864, restored and enlarged by Eule) at the Castle Church. It was here where Martin Luther nailed his 96 Theses to the door and launched the Protestant Reformation in the 16th century. Also hear the 1983 Sauer organ at the Stadtkirche. Lunch is on your own in Wittenberg, then board your coach for Halle, birthplace of Handel. Visit the Handel Museum and go to the Market church for a demo of the 1664 Reichel and the 1984 Schuke organs. Depart Halle and drive to Merseburg for a demo of the 1855 Ladegast organ at the cathedral, with connections to Liszt. Drive to Leipzig for dinner at Auerbach's Keller and overnight. (B, D)

### THU 25 APR Wittenberg / Leipzig

After breakfast at your hotel tour the Gewandhaus and hear its mighty 1981 Schuke organ. Walk to the Nikolaikirche, site of the peaceful demonstrations against Communist rule in 1989, for a demo of the Ladegast-Sauer organ (1862). After lunch on your own, regroup for a tour of the Musical Instruments Museum, then visit the Thomas Church—Bach's church—for a demonstration of its two organs, the 1908 Sauer and the 2000 Woehl. If possible, catch a choir recital there, and there may also be time to visit the Mendelssohn House on your own. After an early dinner enjoy a concert at the Gewandhaus. Overnight in Leipzig. (B, D)

### FRI 26 APR Leipzig / Eisenach

Depart Leipzig after breakfast to hear the 1721 Silbermann organ at the St.

Georgenkirche in Rötha, then on to Naumburg to hear one of the highlights of our journey, the 1746 Zacharias Hildebrandt organ (53 stops, restoration completed by Eule in 2000) at the Wenzelskirche. Travel to Buchenwald for a sobering visit to the Nazi concentration camp. Continue on to Eisenach for an early dinner and a private concert using historical instruments at the Bach House. Overnight Eisenach. (B, D)

### SAT 27 APR Eisenach

After breakfast, begin the day with a demo of the 1982 Schuke organ at the St. Georgenkirche, where Bach was baptized, then take tour of the Wartburg Castle, where Martin Luther was exiled and translated the Bible into the German language. Drive to Waltershausen to listen to the incredible 1730 Trost organ at the town church (a "Bach's" lunch is provided en route). Continue to Erfurt and the Prediger Church (1978 Schuke) and St. Mary's Cathedral (1963 and 1992 Schuke organs). If time we will also hear the 1930 Klais organ at St. Severi Church before returning to Eisenach for dinner at the Thuringer Hof and overnight. (B, L, D)

### SUN 28 APR Eisenach / Altenburg

Optional worship at St. George Church, then depart for Muhlhausen, where you will hear the modern Bach organ at the Divi Blasii Church. Continue to Bad Birka and visit the organ at St. Marien church (another box lunch from the hotel will be provided today). Drive to nearby Weimar to hear the 1998 Sauer organ at the Herder



#### YOUR TOUR HOST

Michael Barone, a well-known voice on the FM radio airwaves, came to Minnesota in 1968 to work at the fledgling station of St. John's University, Collegeville, which grew to become Minnesota Public Radio.

He served as the system's Music Director from 1968 through 1993 and continues as Senior Executive Producer in charge of the national broadcasts of PIPEDREAMS and the SAINT PAUL CHAMBER ORCHESTRA, as well as his weekly regional NEW RELEASES show, the longest-running music program in the MPR schedule.

Barone is a Pennsylvania native, a graduate (B.M. Music History) of the Oberlin Conservatory in Ohio, and a nationally-known advocate for the pipe organ. He has received special honors from the American Guild of Organists and Organ Historical Society for his contributions to the organ community.

Church. Visit the Weimar castle, where Bach was employed at the castle church. Weimar is a city with connections to Schumann, Brahms and Liszt, as well as J. S. Bach. You will have time to savor this lovely town and have dinner on your own before continuing on to Altenburg for overnight. (B, L)

**MON 29 APR Altenburg / Dresden**

After breakfast hear the splendid 1739 Trost organ at the castle church in Altenburg (where Bach's favorite pupil, Johann Ludwig Krebs presided). Have a bit of free time in this delightful village before boarding your coach for Meissen. Have lunch on your own, then visit the famous Meissen Porcelain Factory, where you will also see the world's first porcelain organ—a joint effort of the Jehmlich organ factory and the Meissen porcelain factory, built in 2000 (1 manual, 4 registers). Drive to Coswig for an organ demo in the old church on a recently reconstructed Renaissance organ from 1640. Continue on to Dresden; a locally-guided tour shows the city's remarkable restoration. See the Frauenkirche, still under reconstruction from the devastation of WW II, and Semper Opera among other sights. Hear the 1963 Jehmlich organ at the Kreuzkirche. After dinner drive to nearby Loschwitz to meet with local organbuilder Christian Wegscheider and play his historically-based new instrument (2000) in the reconstructed church (subject to confirmation). Return to Dresden for overnight. (B, D)

**TUE 30 APR Dresden**

Spend the day touring the area around Dresden to see "the world of the Silbermann organ." Hear the 1722 Hildebrandt organ at Langhennersdorf, then drive to Freiberg to visit the four

Silbermann organs at St. Jacob's Church (1718), St. Petri Church (1735) and the cathedral (1714 and 1719). Lunch on your own in Freiberg, then drive to Grosshartmannsdorf to hear the 1741 Silbermann, and on to Zethau to hear the Adam-Gottfried Ochme organ at the Dorfkirche. Return to Dresden for dinner on your own and optional attendance of a concert or an opera. (B)

**WED 01 MAY Dresden / Prague**

Breakfast at your hotel, then depart Dresden for Lohmen to see the organ at the Pfarrkirche. Also hear the 1731 Silbermann organ in Reinhardtsgrimma, then travel to Frauenstein—Silbermann's birthplace—and tour the Silbermann museum. Its resident instrument is a modern reconstruction by Wegscheider of an early (1711) one-manual, Silbermann organ. Have lunch on your own in Frauenstein, then continue to Nassau to hear the 1748 Silbermann organ that was restored by Jehmlich in 1998, at the Parish Church. Continue on to Prague, capital of the Czech Republic. Dinner and overnight in Prague. (B, D)

**THU 02 MAY Prague**

After breakfast at your hotel enjoy a locally-guided tour of this magnificently preserved city. The tour will take you to St. Vitus Cathedral, Franz Kafka's home, the Charles Bridge, Old Town Square and the Gun Powder Tower, and Wenceslaus Square. Also hear the 1673 Mundt organ of the Tyne Church (recently restored by Klais from Bonn) and the 1980 Rieger-Kloss organ (with historical content) at St. James Church. After free time this afternoon enjoy a farewell dinner with optional attendance at a cultural event. (B, D)

**COST SUMMARY**

**\$2899**

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Single room supplement . . . . . \$300  
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The tour cost is per person based on current airfare from Minneapolis/St. Paul (other cities available), double occupancy, tariffs and currency valuations as of August 2001, a minimum of 27 travelers, and subject to confirmation. While we will do everything possible to maintain the listed price and/or itinerary, they are subject to change due to circumstances beyond our control. Single room supplements may have limited availability and are on a request basis only.

**FRI 03 MAY Return to USA**

Transfer to the airport for your homebound flight, or extend your stay in Prague to further explore this jewel of a city. (B, in-flight)

Code: Breakfast Dinner  
 Itinerary subject to change.

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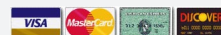
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## INCLUSIONS

- Round-trip economy class airfare from Minneapolis/St. Paul via Northwest/KLM or other ARC/IATA approved scheduled carrier.
- Eleven nights accommodation in moderate first class hotels, double occupancy, with private facilities. Hotels as listed or similar.
- Breakfast daily, 8 dinners and 2 lunches as outlined in the itinerary.
- Transfers and transportation by deluxe motor-coach.
- Extensive sightseeing throughout; entrance fees included.
- Luggage handling of one piece per person.
- An experienced English-speaking tour guide from arrival in Berlin through departure from Prague.
- Gratuities to drivers and guides (for your convenience, \$67 per person has been included).
- Airport/foreign departure taxes (currently \$85 per person).
- Comprehensive documentation including flight bag, bag tags, name tags, flight and land itineraries, destination literature, customs information, travel tips and more.

## Items Not Included

- Beverages other than coffee/tea at breakfast.
- Any meal or sightseeing item not listed in the itinerary.
- Items of a personal nature.
- Optional insurance for health, baggage, and trip cancellation/interruption is not included and highly recommended. Group Travel Directors offers a competitive policy from an independent company.
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