

SOA MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM

Name(s):

Address (including postcode):

Phone:

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Current place of education (student applicants only):

Would you like any donations you make to SOA to be gift-aided?

YES / NO (please delete as appropriate)

MEMBERSHIP FEES

Individual £25	Joint £35
Concessionary £20	Student FREE

Please pay either by cheque (made out to 'Suffolk Organists Association' – NB no apostrophe!), bank transfer or standing order (details below) and post this form to the SOA Membership Secretary, Paul Austen, at 1 Mill House Cottages, High Street, Great Sampford, Saffron Walden CB10 2RG. Alternatively, scan or photograph the form and email it to membership@suffolkorganists.org.uk.

Bank: Santander (ref: your name)
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Once your application has been processed we will send you a Gift Aid Declaration (if applicable) and a GDPR Consent Form, to be completed and returned at your earliest convenience.



*The Peter Collins organ at St Bartholomew's, Orford:
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SUFFOLK ORGANISTS' ASSOCIATION

President 2023-2024: Alan Loader

Suffolk Organists' Association (SOA) was founded in 1934 and exists to promote the use and enjoyment of the pipe organ, especially the many fine examples of the instrument to be found across the county. SOA has a proud record of supporting young (and not-so-young!) organists both financially and through events such as study days and masterclasses, and several of its student members have gone on to become highly respected professional musicians.

Membership of the Association is open to all, with benefits that include free or subsidised admission to a number of specially organised events and activities which take place throughout the year.

To join, please complete the form overleaf or visit the SOA website, www.suffolkorganists.org.uk, and click on 'Join Us'.

The information given in this brochure was correct at the time of going to press and is subject to alteration without notice. Full details of all SOA events will be sent out to members.



Programme of Events

June 2023 – May 2024



www.suffolkorganists.org.uk

2023

Sunday 25 June, 3 – 5pm

Garden Party & Short Recital

*Walnut Tree Cottage, Levington, Ipswich IP10 0ER
& St Peter's, Levington (next door)*

Saturday 15 July, 11am

Organ Crawl: North East Suffolk

A chance to see, hear and play the organs of Lound Church, Our Lady Star of the Sea, Lowestoft and St Peter & St John, Kirkley. We will also visit the birthplace of Benjamin Britten in Lowestoft.

Thursday 10 August, 1pm

Recital by SOA Members

Museum Street Methodist Church, Ipswich IP1 2EF
Part of the Ipswich Arts Association 'Town Lectures & Concerts' series.

Saturday 9 September, 2pm

Visit to Bishop & Son Organ Builders

38 Bolton Lane, Ipswich IP4 2BT
Including a talk by Simon Pulham and a chance to play the nearby organ of St Margaret's, Ipswich.

Saturday 7 October, 11am – 4pm

Masterclass with Daniel Moulton

St Matthew's Church, Portman Road, Ipswich IP1 2AX
Improve your skills and build your confidence as a performer with one of the UK's finest organists and organ teachers.

Saturday 4 November, 2pm

Talk by Gary Cole (Regent Records)

Constable Hall, Gandish Road, East Bergholt CO7 6TP
The founder of the award-winning record label talks about the delights and challenges of recording organ and choral music.

2024

Thursday 1 February, 6.15pm*

St Edmundsbury Cathedral

A chance for SOA members to play one of the county's newest, largest, and finest organs.
*Immediately following Choral Evensong (5.30pm)

Saturday 9 March, 11am

Organ Crawl: West & Mid Suffolk

A chance to see, hear and play the organs of the Old Independent Church, Haverhill, St Peter & St Paul, Clare and St Peter & St Paul, Lavenham.

Saturday 13 April, 2pm

Orford Church & Association Lunch

A visit to St Bartholomew's, Orford to see, hear and play the 1977 Peter Collins organ installed there in 2019. Preceded by lunch (12.30pm) at the King's Head pub on Front Street.

Saturday 11 May, 2pm

Annual General Meeting & Cream Tea

Venue to be announced
Members of the Association are strongly encouraged to attend the AGM, at which the programme of events for 2024-25 will be officially launched!



Daniel Moulton

Gary Cole

Other organ-related events in Suffolk

May – November 2023

Lunchtime concerts at St Mary-le-Tower, Ipswich
(all Tuesdays at 1.10pm)

www.stmaryletower.org/concerts

2 May	William Saunders
23 May	David Flood
6 June	Francesca Massey
13 June	Harrison Cole
20 June	Mark Blatchly
11 July	Richard Cook
29 August	William Mason
10 October	William Baldry

Concerts by Ipswich Theatre Organ Club at Castle Hill URC, Ipswich (all Sundays at 2.30pm)

www.ipswichtheatreorganclub.co.uk

21 May	David Last
15 October	Robert Tapsfield
19 November	David Warner & Declan Poole

Celebrity Organ Recitals at St Edmundsbury Cathedral (all Sundays at 5pm)

www.stedscathedral.org/whats-on

18 June	Mark Shepherd
2 July	Timothy Parsons
23 July	Rachel Mahon
30 July	Timothy Noon
3 September	Richard Cook

Friday 2 June at 8pm

Recital by Olivier Latry at St Bartholomew's, Orford
www.brittenpearsarts.org/events/celebrity-organ-recital

Sunday 18 June at 4:30pm

Recital by Peter Crompton at Royal Hospital School, Holbrook
www.royalhospitalschool.org

Wednesday 2 August at 1.10pm

Recital by Tom Cogan at Holy Trinity, Long Melford
www.longmelfordchurch.com/the-arts/melford-music