

BIRMINGHAM ORGANISTS' ASSOCIATION: membership application form

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Address _____
E-mail _____
Membership type (please tick): student (free) retired (£10) other (£14)
Signed _____ Date _____

Please send this form with a cheque payable to Birmingham Organists' Association to The BOA Treasurer, "Sunny Bank", Mill Street, Penkridge, ST19 5AY; or email treasurer@bhamorgan.org.uk for our bank details.

Alternatively, download an application form from: www.bhamorgan.org.uk/contact-us.html

Birmingham Organists' Association (BOA) draws its membership from a wide area including not only the city of Birmingham but throughout the West Midlands and beyond into neighbouring counties.

We welcome **ALL** with an interest in the organ and its music, regardless of experience, and including both players and non-players.

Our current members include school and university students (student membership is free) as well as those who have been playing the organ for fifty or more years (reduced price membership is available for those who are retired).

Whether you are a professional organist with an advanced diploma or someone who just enjoys listening to what Mozart described as "the king of instruments", BOA is a local, friendly, supportive and enthusiastic group where you will find like-minded folk with whom to share your interest.



For more information, email
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Birmingham Organists' Association

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Do you have an interest in organs
and organ music?

Why not join us?

WHAT DO WE DO?

- "Organ crawls" to hear & play organs in the area, including digital home organs
- Visits to noteworthy instruments beyond our area and to workshops of organ builders
- Educational events and illustrated talks, often with guest speakers, sometimes supported by the IAO
- Invite guest artists, or one of our own members, to give recitals
- Raise money to support young, local organists via our Leonard Gibbons Fund



ARE THERE OTHER BENEFITS?

- Our *free* quarterly **e-newsletter** keeps you up-to-date with news of local recitals, forthcoming BOA events, reviews of past events – and more!
- BOA's affiliation to the **Incorporated Association of Organists**, (IAO) links you with 4500 other members throughout the UK. The IAO organises regional and national events to which BOA members are invited at concessionary rates
- The IAO's quarterly magazine **Organists' Review** – regarded as the leading journal in its field – is available to BOA members at a concessionary rate
- Passworded access to the on-line **BOA Members' Handbook**, with contact details for local organists



WHERE AND WHEN DO WE MEET?

- Often in churches & halls in and around Birmingham, including the Royal Birmingham Conservatoire and St Chad's Cathedral
- Venues are chosen with regard to easy access via public transport and good car parking wherever possible
- Occasional visits are made to venues further afield; in recent years these have included organs in Cardiff, Liverpool, Oxford, Worcester and York
- Events are normally held monthly (with summer & Christmas breaks), most often on weekday evenings



- Arrange an annual choral service in the church of one of our members
- Social events, including beer & skittles, cheese & wine, quizzes, and formal dinners with guest speakers