

## **Pipes Around the Pacific**

oin us in Victoria for the International Organ Festival, a four-day celebration of the King of Instruments with recitals, workshops, choral concerts and more. This July, the National Convention will be hosted by the Victoria Centre of the RCCO and the focus will be on the pipe organ and will include repertoire from around the Pacific Basin from Alaska and the Pacific Northwest across to Asia. The convention has attracted organists from the USA, Canada and abroad. Registration for the convention is still available for those who wish to participate in all the concerts and workshops.

The International Organ Festival, which runs from July 18 to 22, 2010, features world-class performers including Philippe Belanger (St. Joseph's Oratory, Montreal), Paul Jacobs (The Julliard School, New York City), Tong-Soon Kwak (Yonsie-University, Seoul, South Korea) and David

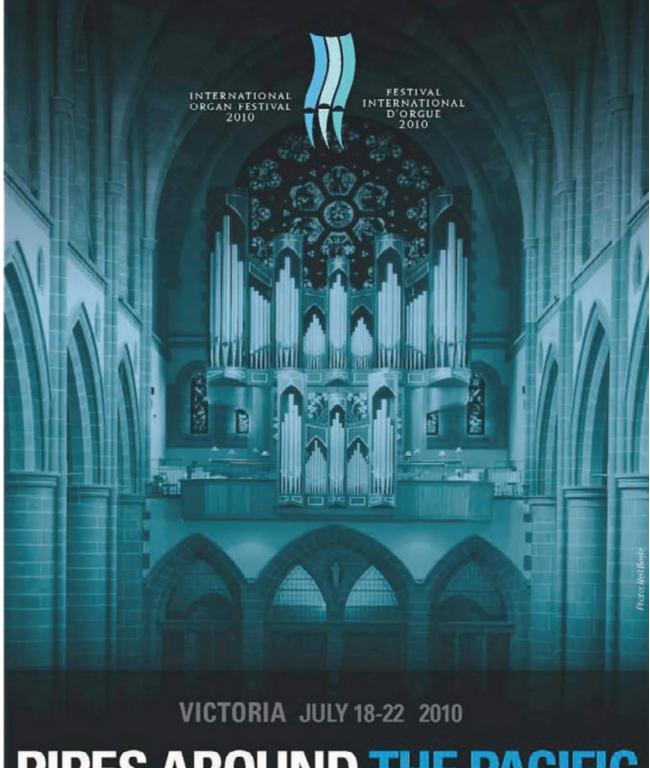
Palmer (University of Windsor and All Saints' Church, Windsor). The Festival is open to the public with performances on some of Victoria's finest pipe organs and historic instruments including Christ Church Cathedral's recently installed four-manual Hellmuth Wolff tracker organ. The Festival highlights include four outstanding organ concerts, and a choral concert by the 40-voice Linden Singers of Victoria featuring a commissioned work on a westcoast aboriginal theme by Larry Nickel.

The Gala Opening Concert, Sunday, July 18th at 8:00 p.m. at Christ Church Cathedral, will be performed by David Palmer, organist and The Cathedral Strings conducted by Michael Gormley. The concert will feature a commissioned work for organ and flugelhorn by BC composer Alan Matheson. Registrants will attend workshops on a variety of organ-related topics as well as visit some of the smaller and rare historic organs including the one-manual Appleton organ (c1840) at the Church of Our Lord, the three-manual Conacher (1891) organ at St. Paul's Naval Garrison Church, and the two-manual Pease at former St. Saviour's Anglican Church and others.

Open to the general public are two worship services: Sunday, 4:30 p.m. RCCO Evensong at Christ Church Cathedral and 5:00 p.m. Service in the Taize Tradition at St. Andrew's Cathedral.

For full details on the convention, five concerts and festival tickets, visit www.rcco2010.ca or call 250-658-3773.

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#### **David Palmer**

University of Windsor

Christ Church Cathedral Sunday July 18, 8 pm

### Philippe Bélanger

St Joseph's Oratory Montreal

St Andrew's Presbyterian Church Monday July 19, 1:30 pm

#### Paul Jacobs

The Juilliard School New York

Church of St. John the Divine Monday July 19, 8 pm

#### The Linden Singers

First Metropolitan United Church Teesday July 20, 1 pm

#### Tong-Soon Kwak

Yonsei University

Christ Church Cathedral Tuecday July 20, 8pm