

# Zuiderveld Memorial Concert

**August 25, 2023 at 7:30 pm**  
First Presbyterian Church



**Celebrating the life and music of Rudy Zuiderveld**

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Fantasia and Fugue in G Minor, BWV 542      Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)  
**Nichol DelGiorno, organ**

Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring      Johann Sebastian Bach, arr. Dame Myra Hess  
(1890-1965)  
**Garrett Allman, piano**

Praeludium in G Minor, BuxWV 149      Dietrich Buxtehude (1637-1707)  
**Homer Ashton Ferguson III, organ**

Schmücke dich, o liebe Seele      Johannes Brahms (1833-1897)  
**Thomas Drury, organ**

Come, Christians, Join to Sing      arr. Eugene Englert (b. 1931)  
His Loving and Mysterious Ways      Beatrice Miller (1920-2015)  
**Robert "RJ" Kattke, organ**

Psalm 65 "The Silence Sings to You, O Lord"      Bert Matter (b. 1937)  
**Nichol DelGiorno, organ, with Diane Dietz, soprano**

The Lord's Prayer      Albert Hay Malotte (1895-1964)  
**Becky Kemp, soprano; Nichol DelGiorno, organ**

Lotus Blossom      Billy Strahorn, arr. Alec Wyton (1915-1967, 1921-2007)  
**Homer Ashton Ferguson III, organ**

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty      *LOBE DEN HERREN*  
**Stephen Tharp, organ**  
#35 in pew hymnal

***INTERMISSION***

Le Banquet Céleste

Olivier Messiaen (1908-1992)  
**Thomas Drury, organ**

Pie Jesu

Lili Boulanger (1893-1918)  
**Diane Dietz, soprano; Nichol DelGiorno, organ**  
*Blessed Lord Jesus,  
Grant them eternal rest.*

LVI Daphne, 3 verses  
Sonata in D Minor, Op. 65, No. 6  
Finale: Andante

Anonymous Dutch (16<sup>th</sup> century)  
Felix Mendelssohn-Bartholdy  
(1809-1847)  
**Sister Lori Kirchman, OP, organ**

Sonata in A Major, Op. 65, No. 3  
i. Con moto maestoso  
ii. Andante tranquillo

Felix Mendelssohn-Bartholdy  
**Timothy Spelbring, organ**

Suite of 8 Dances  
vii. Tango  
viii. Rumba

Carlos Salzedo  
(1885-1961)

**Devon Carpenter, harp**

Improvisation on ZUIDERVELD

**Stephen Tharp, organ**

**Rudolf "Rudy" Zuiderveld**  
(1945-2021)

Rudy earned his Master of Music degree from the University of Michigan in 1972 and eventually earned his Doctor of Music degree from the University of Iowa in 1978. He served as an instructor at Dordt College in Sioux Center, Iowa, teaching assistant at the University of



Iowa, and assistant professor at Southwest State University in Marshall, Minnesota, before moving his family to Jacksonville in 1980. He served in the Music Department at Illinois College in Jacksonville from 1980 until his retirement as Chair of the Music Department in 2010.

Rudy was a popular figure on the Illinois College campus as a professor, organist, colleague, and friend to so many students. He served on the board of directors for the McGaw Fine Arts Series on the campus for many years and was a member of the American Guild of Organists and Pi Kappa Lambda. In addition, he served as organist for First Presbyterian Church in Springfield for almost 30 years and was a faithful member of Faith Lutheran Church in Jacksonville.

## About the Artists

**Dr. Garrett Allman** is Associate Professor Emeritus of Music at Illinois College and Music Director and Conductor of the Jacksonville Symphony Orchestra. "I met Rudy and Sharon in 1974 at Dordt College, where he and I were visiting music instructors. Our paths crossed two more times, in 1977 as doctoral students at the University of Iowa, and in 1981 when I joined Rudy on the music faculty at Illinois College. I will always be grateful for our long friendship and his collegiality as we worked together to build the Music Department at Illinois College."

**Devon Carpenter** holds a BA in Music and MA in History from Valparaiso University. She is a music teacher and freelance harpist, performing primarily contemporary, Bollywood, and Arabic music. During her senior year of high school, she studied music theory with Dr. Zuiderveld at Illinois College.

**Dr. Nichol DelGiorno** is Assistant Professor of Music and Department Chair at Illinois College and organist at First Presbyterian Church. She studied with Rudy at Illinois College from 1993 to 1997 and was his colleague at First Pres from 2003 to 2006. Active as an organist, pianist, vocalist, and conductor in the area, she is also a scholar of Cuban music.

**Diane Dietz** is a private instructor of voice/piano and a freelance vocalist in Springfield, IL. She holds a B.A. in Music and Fine Arts from Illinois College and a M.M. in Vocal Performance from Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville. While a student at Illinois College, she worked collaboratively with Dr. Zuiderveld on a number of performances, including Schubert's *Mass in G*. She is honored to be a part of this fitting tribute to Dr. Z.

**Thomas Drury**, a native of Carlinville, Illinois, is Instructor in Music at the University of Southern Indiana, organist at Trinity United Methodist Church in Evansville, Indiana, and accompanist of the Evansville Philharmonic Chorus. He studied with Rudy from eighth grade to his senior year of high school, 1991-96. He is active in Evansville as a collaborative pianist, jazz musician, and composer, and has a passion for the traditional music of Ireland.

**Dr. Homer Ashton Ferguson III** has been the organist/choirmaster at Emmanuel Episcopal Church, Southern Pines, North Carolina, since 2010, where he coordinates more than 100 volunteers in a music program that follows the constructs of the Anglican choral tradition. As an undergraduate at Illinois College, Dr. Ferguson studied under the tutelage of Dr. Zuiderveld from 1996-2000. In the Spring of 2004, Dr. Ferguson served as Dr. Zuiderveld's sabbatical replacement at Illinois College.

**Robert "RJ" Kattke** is an IC graduate from decades back. In fact he was the Choir Accompanist at IC and the first organ student that Rudy had at IC. He performed his Senior Recital at Rammelkamp Chapel on the Holtkamp Organ. Besides being a long-time church musician for the Presbyterian Church, he is a "diverse" musician in the Chicago area, and has played with numerous bands in a multitude of genres, playing Rock, Pop, Blues, R&B, Reggae, Originals, Salsa, Jazz, and Jam Music.

**Becky Kemp** is the Music Director at First Presbyterian Church in Springfield IL. Becky has been an active member of many Springfield area music and theater groups. Becky had the pleasure of collaborating with Rudy on several special events at First Presbyterian beyond normal Sunday worship services. Those included the Goosebumps Concerts, Brown Bag Concerts, and the 1850's Carol Sing.

**Sister Lori Kirchman, OP** is a member of the Dominican Sisters of Springfield in Illinois and is currently the Director of Music for Holy Family Parish in Lincoln, Illinois. At Holy Family she plays weekend Masses on a restored Hinner tracker organ and directs an Adult Choir and Children's Choir. She studied with Rudy from 1993 until 1996. In 1997 she received a master's degree in Liturgical Music with an emphasis in organ from St. John's University in Collegeville, MN.

**Timothy Spelbring** serves as Music Director at St. Mark Lutheran Church in Mount Prospect, Illinois. In addition to his work at St. Mark, he is assistant organist at Grace Lutheran Church in River Forest, Illinois, where he assists with the Bach Cantata Series. He studied with Rudy from 1997 to 1999 while a student at Hillsboro High School in Hillsboro, Illinois.

**Stephen Tharp**, is a Grammy nominated organist based in New York City. International concerts, teaching and recordings are his primary professional focus. His extensive discography includes organs in both the USA and Europe, many of which reflect his passion for the music of our time; he studied with Rudy at Illinois College between 1988-1992. Stephen has adjudicated competitions throughout US chapters of the American Guild of Organists and was a member of the jury for the Chartres International Organ Competition in France in 2018. Further information can be found at [www.stephentharp.com](http://www.stephentharp.com).



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