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**Toronto, Canada.** Glionna Mansell Corporation has released today the line-up of performances for the annual ORGANIX Music Festival featuring the magnificent pipe organ... *The King of Instruments*.

ORGANIX 12 will once again present in collaboration with the Toronto Theatre Organ Society a concert on the mighty Wurlitzer Theatre Organ at Casa Loma featuring Jelani Eddington (May 7, 8:00). The growing ORGANIX audience will hear Rheinberger and Bossi Concerti performed by Italy's Massimo Nosetti and an orchestra under the direction of Philip Sarabura (May 9, 6:30). Rachmaninov Piano Concerto for Organ and Piano will be performed by the American duo of Nigel Potts and Jeremy Filsell (May 11, 7:30). Christian Lane, winner of the October 2011 Canadian International Organ Competition (May 25, 7:30). The May festival will also feature a variety of other programs not normally heard in concert from the world's finest performers, including; Marek Kudlicki - *Poland* (May 30, 6:30) Maxine Thévenot – *USA* (June 1, 7:30), the world renowned "First Lady of the Organ" Diane Bish – USA (June 6), Aaron James – Canada (May 17, 12:15) and John Grew – Canada (May 24, 12:15). Also in the ORGANIX 12 schedule is the highly acclaimed Renée Anne Louprette – USA (May 14, 12:15). Renée is Organist/Associate Director of Music and the Arts at Trinity Wall Street, New York. ORGANIX 12 will also present several very capable emerging artists in organ solo and ensemble performances, including David Simon Alexander (May 7, 12:15) and Andre Rakus in a musical collaboration with virtuoso trumpeter Mike Barth (May 28, 12:15). The ORGANIX performance venues will be the Anglican churches of St. Paul's, All Saints' and Holy Trinity, and Metropolitan United Church where Canada's largest pipe organ resides. For the first time, ORGANIX is offering a convenient Build-Your-Own Festival Pass that will offer great value to see all or some of the six gala concerts. A great gift idea for Christmas!

ORGANIX is an annual month-long music festival featuring the pipe organ and its vast solo and ensemble repertoire. Founded in 2006 by Bill O'Meara and Gordon Mansell, the festival has an alumni of the "Who's-Who" of the world's finest internationally acclaimed performers including Dame Gillian Weir, James David Christie, Eugenio Fagiani, Patricia Wright, David Palmer, Alison Clark, William O'Meara, Aaron Tan, John Tuttle, Rachel Laurin, Elke Völker, St. Michael's Choir School and violinist Jacques Israelievitch. ORGANIX has grown to be one of the world preferred stops for touring organists.

Through promotion and musically accessible exciting concerts, the Festival has also become recognized in Toronto among organ enthusiasts as the must-see, must-experience musical event of Spring.

## **ORGANIX 12 Performance Schedule**

Mon. May 7, 12:15 – 1:15 Wed. May 9, 6:30 – 8:30	Holy Trinity Anglican St. Paul's Anglican	David Alexander Simon Massimo Nosetti, Mike Barth (Trumpet), Philip Sarabura (Conductor) and Orchestra
Fri. May 11, 7:30 – 9:30	Metropolitan United	Nigel Potts (Organ), Jeremy Filsell (Piano)
Sat. May 12, 10:00 – noon	Metropolitan United	Nigel Potts Masterclass
Mon. May 14, 12:15 – 1:15	Holy Trinity Anglican	Renée Anne Louprette
Thur. May 17, 12:15 – 1:15	Metropolitan United	Aaron James
Thur. May 24, 12:15 – 1:15	Metropolitan United	John Grew
Fri. May 25, 7:30 – 9:30	Metropolitan United	Christian Lane – 2011 CIOC Winner
Sat. May 26, 10:00 – 2:00	All Saints' Kingsway	RCCO Young Organist Competition
Sat. May 26, 10:00 – 4:00	Holy Trinity Anglican	DOORS OPEN Toronto
Mon. May 28, 12:15 – 1:15	Holy Trinity Anglican	Andre Rakus and Mike Barth (Trumpet)
Wed. May 30, 6:30 – 8:30	St. Paul's Anglican	Marek Kudlicki
Fri. June 1, 7:30 – 9:30	Holy Trinity	Maxine Thévenot
Wed. June 6, 6:30 – 8:30	Metropolitan United	Diane Bish

For more information, programs and artist biographies, please visit <a href="www.organixconcerts.ca">www.organixconcerts.ca</a> or phone President and Artistic Director Gordon Mansell at 416-769-3893. The new Festival Website will be updated by the end of October, 2012.

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Top row: Diane Bish – Massimo Nosetti – Philip Sarabura – Aaron James – John Grew
Middle row: Maxine Thévenot – Jeremy Filsell and Nigel Potts - Renée Anne Louprette – Mike Barth – Marek Kudlicki
Lower row: Andre Rakus – Christian Lane, Winner of the Canadian International Organ Competition – Jelani Eddington – David
Alexander Simon – Holy Trinity Pipes