The Reed Organ Socíety

An International Organization



Purposes of the Society

- To bring together through publications, correspondence and meetings, persons interested in freestanding reed organs of the American and Anglo-European traditions, including their historical antecedents and contemporary offshoots;
- To make such reed organs known to the public as historically important and musically viable instruments, through publicity and encouragement of performance;
- To locate and document extant reed organs;
- To preserve materials relating to reed organs and their builders;
- To encourage the restoration and preservation of extant instruments by supplying historical and technical information;
- To reprint reed organ publications, including advertising, catalogs, brochures, and booklets;
- To locate, preserve, publish, and record extant reed organ music; to encourage new compositions and arrangements; and to promote the performance of music written expressly for reed organs;
- To foster education and scholarly research in the reed organ field;
- To create and maintain liaisons with related organizations and institutions to support these purposes.

Who Should Join?

Anyone interested in free reed instruments! Founded in 1981, the Society is an international nonprofit organization devoted to the appreciation, study, collection, restoration, and preservation of reed organs. The scope of instruments ranges from lap organs, melodeons, harmoniums, parlor, chapel, and church organs, to mechanical player organs, whether they be foot-pumped, hand-cranked, or motorized.

Membership Benefits

The **ROS** Quarterly, published four times a year, contains information, articles on reed organ history, news of members' activities, and advertising. Music and performance reviews, resource materials, expert restoration advice, and organ identification requests are featured regularly.

A membership *Directory* lists members' interests and specialties. This directory facilitates correspondence and permits members to meet and examine collections, trade, buy, or sell organs, parts, photographs, recordings, books, music scores, and other memorabilia related to reed organs.

How to Ioin

Complete the form below and mail it with the appropriate dues payment to the Membership Secretary. You may also visit our website <u>www.reedsoc.org</u> and click on Membership.

Questions? Contact Membership Secretary at reedorgansociety@yahoo.com or 704-770-7043 X.....

1. Individual Membership Dues: check one box below and enter amount at right. .\$ (Individual membership benefits include one voting member and one set of print publications.) \Box Canada - \$40 \Box Outside North America - \$50 □ USA - \$35

2. For Household Membership write \$10 in space at right and add to total below. .\$ (Household membership adds one additional voting member; one set of publications per household.)

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Membership Activity Codes – Check all that apply:				
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	ОР	Organist Professional/music teacher	Cell Pl	none
	RH	Repair/restoration –Hobbyist	Organ	-related website:
	RP	Repair/restoration – Professional		
	WA	W illing to A dvise others on condition/ value of a reed organ/best restoration practices		<i>কৈ</i> ৰ্জ
Willing to contribute articles for the <i>Free Reed</i> email newsletter and/or the <i>Quarterly</i> magazine.			I	Payment options below:

- Mail check or money order payable to **The Reed Organ Society** with this form to: Jim Germann, ROS Membership Secretary/Treasurer PO Box 218, La Vernia TX 78121-0218
- Use credit card or PayPal by visiting our website *www.reedsoc.org* and click on *Membership*. The membership form may also be completed on-line. Printed May 2022