

ÅLAND XXXVII ORGAN FESTIVAL 2011

ÅLANDS ORGEL FESTIVAL

26 JUNE – 2 JULY



Åland's oldest annual music event starts the local cultural summer. This year's Åland Organ Festival is the 37th in a row. The Festival offers high-class concerts with both national and international artists from Sweden, Iceland, France, Poland, Lithuania, Croatia, Austria and Italy. This year's programme features classic organ concerts, chamber concerts, Sunday services and one children's concert which presents an organ fairy tale by Julia Westerberg and Anders Laine. The opening concert is held in Saltvik Church with tenor Mikael Fagerholm and organist Esa Toivola. Soprano Asta Kriksciunaite performs in Finström Church together with organist Renata Marcinkutė-Lesieur, both from Lithuania.

This year Mariehamn celebrates her 150th anniversary and also the Ravander organ in Eckerö Church turns 150 years, which will be highlighted with a concert by the Italian organist Ennio Cominetti. For the honour of Mariehamn's jubilee year there will be two organ concerts the same day in St. Göran Church, one with Mario Perestegi from Croatia and the other one with Björn Steinar Sólbergsson from Iceland. Also Austria's young Matthias Giesen will have a concert in town. The Ålandic duo Lita Gustavsson and Bertil Andersson will have chamber concerts in Sottunga and Vårdö with organist Karol Hilla from Poland. The Swedish guitar player Janne Schaffer performs with organist Markus Wargh in Jomala and in Lemland there will be romantic French organ music. The Festival is finished in Sund Church with Alessandro Bianchi who plays Italian organ music.

Sunday 26 June at 11:00 MARIEHAMN, St. Göran church
SUNDAY SERVICE Kent Danielsson, celebrant (AX), Jens Palmqvist, tenor (AX), Guy Karlsson, organ (AX)

Monday 27 June at 14:00 MARIEHAMN, St. Göran church
ORGAN SAGA FOR CHILDREN Julia Westerberg, actress, (AX), Anders Laine, organ (AX)

Monday 27 June at 20:00 SALTVIK, S:ta Maria church
OPENING CONCERT Mikael Fagerholm, tenor (AX), Esa Toivola, organ (FIN)

Tuesday 28 June at 20:00 FINSTRÖM, St. Michael church
CONCERT Asta Krikščiūnaitė, soprano (LT), Renata Marcinkutė-Lesieur, organ (LT)

Tuesday 28 June at 20:00 FÖGLÖ, S:ta Maria Magdalena church
CONCERT Mikael Fagerholm, tenor (AX), Esa Toivola, organ (FIN)

Wednesday 29 June at 12:00 MARIEHAMN, St. Göran church
LUNCH CONCERT Mario Perestegi, organ (HR)

Wednesday 29 June at 20:00 MARIEHAMN, St. Göran church
ORGAN CONCERT Björn Steinar Sólbergsson, organ (IS)

Thursday 30 June at 14:00 ECKERÖ, St. Lars church
RAVANDER-ORGAN 150 YEARS Ennio Cominetti, organ (IT)

Thursday 30 June at 20:00 JOMALA St. Olof church
CONCERT Janne Schaffer, electric guitar (SE), Markus Wargh, organ (SE)

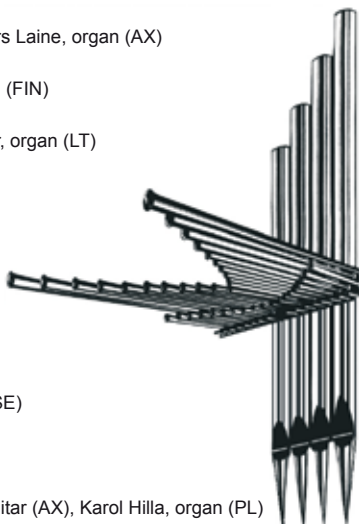
Friday 1 July at 12:00 MARIEHAMN, St. Göran church
BACH AT LUNCHTIME Matthias Giesen, organ (AT)

Friday 1 July at 14:00 SOTTUNGA, S:ta Maria Magdalena church
FLUTE, GUITAR & ORGAN Lita Gustavsson, flute, Bertil Andersson, guitar (AX), Karol Hilla, organ (PL)

Friday 1 July at 20:00 LEMLAND, S:ta Birgitta church
FRENCH ROMANTICISM Jérôme Faucheur, organ (F)

Saturday 2 July at 14:00 VÅRDÖ, prayer house
FLUTE, GUITAR & ORGAN Lita Gustavsson, flute, Bertil Andersson, guitar (AX), Karol Hilla, organ (PL)

Saturday 2 July at 20:00 SUND, St. John the Baptist church
ITALIAN ORGAN MUSIC FROM THE 1600s UNTIL TODAY Alessandro Bianchi, organ (IT)



Programme à 15/10 EUR sold before each concert at the entrance. Discounts for the members of the association. Free programme booklet. Bookings for groups in advance on the Internet or by e-mail. Transport from Mariehamn, ph. +358 (0)400 796 307.