CONVOCATION

DR. ROBERT KNUPP
ORGAN

Friday, September 6, 2024
Concert Hall
12:00 p.m.
PROGRAM

Fantasia and Fugue in D Minor                      Dr. David Mahloch
(b. 1976)

Yellowhammer Rag                                Dr. Warren Ertle
(b. 1993)

Furious Force                                    Dr. Joshua Nichols
(b. 1989)

“Lay my burden down”                             Iain Farrington
(b. 1977)

#1 When I lay my burden down
#2 Sometimes I feel like a motherless child
#3 Amazing Grace
#4 Steal Away
#5 Every time I feel the spirit

BIOGRAPHY

Robert Knupp is a Professor in the music depart-
ment at Mississippi College, located in Clinton. His area of primary teaching is applied organ and
organ area classes. He is also the organist of Gal-
loway United Methodist Church in Jackson.

Dr. Knupp’s students have won state competitions of the AGO and
MTNA, have garnered praise at regional and national competitions, and
awarded full teaching assistantships at major universities, and
fellowships to national organist conventions. The studio also takes
an annual tour to locations such as New York, San Francisco, Dallas,
Minneapolis, Chicago, Houston, Philadelphia, Pitts burgh, St. Louis,
Nashville, and Washington D.C.

An active performer, Knupp has performed with several symphony
orchestras, AGO regional conventions, and has been heard national-
ly on the program “Pipedreams.” He has performed in twenty-nine
states and in Europe. Significant performance venues include the
Washington National Cathedral, St. Thomas Church and St. Mary’s
in New York City, St. Mary’s Cathedral in San Francisco, King’s
Chapel in Boston, The Old Church concert hall in Portland Oregon,
Church of the Ascension in Seattle, Trinity Lutheran Church in Lan-
caster PA, National City Christian Church in Washington DC, and
St Peter’s Cathedral in Jackson MS. During the summer of 2015,
Knupp embarked on a five-week historic organ tour of central
Germany with concerts on Silbermann Organs in Forchheim and Freiburg, and on the Max Reger Organ in Bad Salzungen. In 2024 he accompanied the 80th Anniversary D-Day Memorial Concert’s Duruflé Requiem in the Abbey of Saint Étienne in Caen, France and recitals at Chester Cathedral and St. Brides Fleet Street (London, U.K.)

Knupp is a native of Johnstown, PA, and holds degrees from the University of Alabama (D.M.A.), East Carolina University (M.M.), and Susquehanna University (B.M.) Primary mentors include the late Warren Hutton, Janette Fishell, and Susan Hegberg.

3rd Program of the 2024-2025 Season

UPCOMING EVENTS

Vocal Guest Artist
Saturday, September 21
4:30 p.m., Recital Hall

Wind Ensemble Concert
Tuesday, September 24
7:30 p.m., Concert Hall

Huxford Symphony Orchestra Concert
Thursday, September 26
7:30 p.m., Concert Hall

Symphonic Band Concert
Tuesday, October 1
7:30 p.m., Concert Hall

Fall Spectrum Concert
Friday, October 11
7:30 p.m., Concert Hall

Contemporary Ensemble Concert
Thursday, October 17
7:30 p.m., Concert Hall

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