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**THE CATHEDRAL OF ST. JOHN THE DIVINE PRESENTS ORGANIST  
RAYMOND NAGEM FOR *GREAT MUSIC IN A GREAT SPACE* CONCERT**

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*Performance Concludes Series of Three Great Organ: Great Artists Concerts*

**New York (October 10, 2013)** – The Cathedral of St. John the Divine will continue the 2013/14 *Great Music in a Great Space* concert series with a *Great Organ: Great Artists* performance featuring **Raymond Nagem**, one of the leading organists of his generation, on **Wednesday, November 6<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm at the Cathedral of St. John the Divine, 1047 Amsterdam Avenue (at 112<sup>th</sup> Street), Manhattan.**

Nagem, Associate Organist of the Cathedral and C.V. Starr Doctoral Fellow at The Juilliard School, will perform a recital of 20th-century French music. The program features **Maurice Duruflé's** *Choral varié sur le "Veni Creator,"* **André Isoir's** *Variations sur un psaume Huguénot*, transcriptions of **Maurice Ravel** and **Sergei Prokofiev**, and organ works of **Marcel Dupré** and **Louis Vierne**. As a rising star in the organ community, Nagem brings a kaleidoscopic sense of color and a virtuoso flair to these works, perfectly suited to the Cathedral's famed Aeolian-Skinner organ.

Nagem's performance concludes the series of three *Great Organ: Great Artists* concerts of the 2013-2014 season. His recital follows performances by acclaimed organists **Kent Tritle**, Director of Cathedral Music, and **Thomas Murray**.

*Great Music in a Great Space* reintroduces the legendary concert series held at the Cathedral in the 1980s. The 2013/2014 season includes choral/orchestral concerts, organ recitals and the Cathedral's signature holiday concerts with repertoire spanning from this celebration of 20th-century French compositions to Bach's *St. John Passion* and more. In addition to the acclaimed Cathedral Choir and Cathedral Orchestra, concerts will feature soloists including singer/songwriter Judy Collins, Metropolitan Opera baritone John Michael Moore, and world-music specialist Nina Stern with instrumental ensemble Rose of the Compass.

Tickets start at \$25.



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**About Raymond Nagem**

Raymond Nagem is Associate Organist at the Cathedral Church of St. John the Divine, and a C.V. Starr Doctoral Fellow at The Juilliard School, where he teaches the survey course in organ literature and is a student of Paul Jacobs.

Mr. Nagem earned his B.A. from Yale University, where he studied with Thomas Murray, and his M.M. from Juilliard. He has previously held positions at The Parish of All Saints, Ashmont (MA), and Christ Church, New Haven.

In addition to his responsibilities for service playing and choral accompaniment, he works regularly with the Cathedral Chorale and the Choristers.

**About The Cathedral**

The Cathedral of St. John the Divine is the Cathedral of the Episcopal Diocese of New York. It is chartered as a house of prayer for all people and a unifying center of intellectual light and leadership. People from many faiths and communities worship together in services held more than 30 times a week; the soup kitchen serves roughly 25,000 meals annually; social service outreach has an increasingly varied roster of programs; the distinguished Cathedral School prepares young students to be future leaders; Adults and Children in Trust, the renowned preschool, afterschool and summer program, offers diverse educational and nurturing experiences; the outstanding Textile Conservation Lab preserves world treasures; concerts, exhibitions, performances and civic gatherings allow conversation, celebration, reflection and remembrance—such is the joyfully busy life of this beloved and venerated Cathedral.

The Cathedral is open 7 days a week from 7:30 AM – 6:00 PM. There is a suggested admission of \$10.00 per person. Please visit [stjohndivine.org](http://stjohndivine.org) for more information and a schedule of public programs.

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