

REGISTRATION

I/We wish to:

Register and pay for the full conference before 1 July as an "earlybird" (Includes all events, booklet, bus, accommodation and breakfast in Charlestown, 3 dinners and 2 lunches, **but excludes Sydney accommodation, train and ferry fares. Full time students under 25 years of age are eligible for a \$100 discount on full conference registration – see over**)

- Single \$665
- Twin Share \$550 per person*
- Double \$1150

Register and pay for the full conference after 1 July *but before 1 September* at the standard rates (see above for inclusions)

- Single \$715
- Twin Share \$600 per person *
- Double \$1250

*please indicate the name of the person you intend sharing with:

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I/we require accommodation in Charlestown on 6/10 (rates include breakfast) – Single - \$125
 Double/Twin - \$135

Register for daily participation (prices below are per person and include one booklet – note that accommodation, bus [only if available] require separate registration – tick the box to receive further information)

- Saturday 1/10 \$35
- Saturday 1/10 Dinner at St Aloysius' \$45
- Sunday 2/10 \$35
- Sunday 2/10 Dinner in Parramatta \$40
- Monday 3/10 \$30
- Tuesday 4/10 (includes lunch) \$40
- Tuesday 4/10 Dinner in Newcastle \$40
- Wednesday 5/10 (includes lunch) \$50
- Thursday 6/10 \$30

Total per person \$ _____

Number of people

- I am interested in bus transportation as a daily registrant – please send me further details
- I am interested in accommodation in Charlestown as a daily registrant – please send me further details

ACCOMMODATION

Sydney: Participants will be responsible for arranging and paying for their own accommodation in Sydney. OHTA has been able to obtain special rates for a limited number of rooms at the boutique 3½ star Castlereagh Inn, in the heart of the city, provided reservations are received by 31 August. When booking, please mention that you will be in the OHTA group. The rates (including continental breakfast) commence at:

\$125 (Single room) \$145 (Double room) \$135 (Twin room)

Castlereagh Inn

169 Castlereagh Street, Sydney, NSW, 2000

Phone: 1800 801 576 or (02) 9284 1000

Fax: (02) 9284 1999

Email: reservations@thecastlereagh.net.au

Newcastle: The cost of two nights (including breakfast) at the Madison Motel, Charlestown, is *included* in the registration fee. Please tick the box on the booking form if you wish to stay an additional night at the end of the conference. The cost for this is \$125 single; \$135 double/twin - including breakfast.

Madison Motel

109 Madison Drive, Charlestown, NSW, 2300

Phone: 1 800 045 946 or (02) 4943 8899

Fax: (02) 4942 1463

Email: reservations@themadison.com.au

TRANSPORT

Participants will be responsible for arranging transport to and from Sydney. As there will be train and ferry travel in Sydney, and to Newcastle (these fares *not* included in the registration fee), those with concession cards are advised to bring them to obtain the substantial discount available. (Current pricing indicates an all-up public transport cost of about \$10 for pensioners, rising to around \$45 for full adult fares). The daily arrangements are as follows:

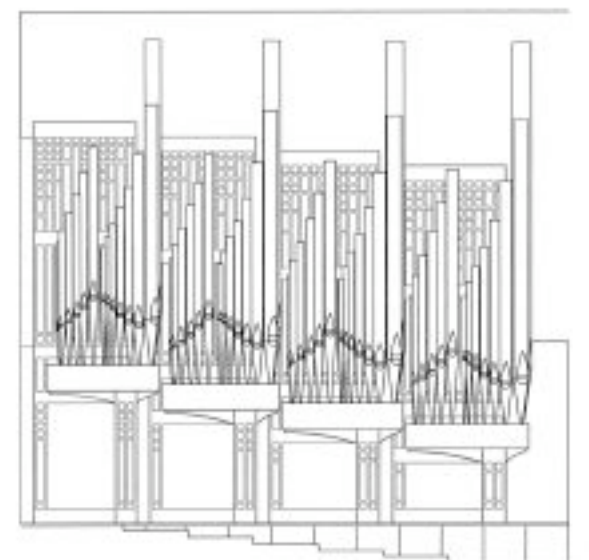
On *Saturday 1 October* daytime venues will be within walking distance of the Castlereagh Inn: the evening dinner will be reached by train, with a short walk to the venue. On *Sunday 2 October* public transport (by train and rivercat) will be used to reach Parramatta, but return to the city will be by bus. (It may be possible for those with restricted mobility to be offered lifts by participants who are using private cars – please advise by attaching a note to this form).

Bus will be used on the remaining four days of the conference, although we will travel to and from Newcastle by train through the scenic Hawkesbury River.

Organ Historical Trust of Australia

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CITY & COUNTRY: FUTURE DIRECTIONS FOR THE PIPE ORGAN IN AUSTRALIA



28th Annual Conference
30 SEPTEMBER – 6 OCTOBER
2005

Sydney, Newcastle and the Hunter Valley

www.vicnet.net.au/~ohta

Future Directions for the Pipe Organ in Australia?

This year's OHTA conference will provide an unforgettable experience of some of the finest historic and modern organs in Australia, together with wonderful neo-Gothic, classical and contemporary architecture, magnificent scenery and the balmy ambience of Sydney and the Hunter in springtime.

A feature of the conference will be recitals and demonstrations given by some of the brilliant local students who have studied in Sydney, Newcastle and Canberra in recent years. It is anticipated that longer recitals will be heard at Sydney Town Hall, Sydney Opera House, St Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta and Christ Church Cathedral, Newcastle, where we will also participate in a special choral service of evening prayer.

A focus for lectures and panel discussions will be the future of the pipe organ in Australia and OHTA's role in assisting churches to retain, use and maintain their instruments against a backdrop of ever-changing worship patterns and declining church attendance. Our guest speakers are Hugh Mackay, the prominent psychologist and social researcher, and Barbara Owen, the noted American writer, consultant and founding member of the Organ Historical Society in the USA.

Some 28 organs will be visited in six days, representing the work of British, Canadian and Australian builders over a period of 150 years. Five organs by Hill & Son, three by J.W. Walker and single examples by Bishop & Son, Henry Jones, Mander, Norman & Beard, Wheildon and Henry Willis will demonstrate British firms, with two Canadian instruments by Orgues Létourneau. Twelve notable Australian organs by Davidson, Griffin & Leggo, Pogson, Richardson, Sharp and Whitehouse are also included in the itinerary.

Two breakfasts, two lunches, three dinners and six morning/afternoon teas are provided as part of the full registration fee.

Illustration: Stephen Bicknell's original drawing (2003) of the casework and façade for the 1898 Norman & Beard organ now at St Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta (used with permission).

PROGRAMME SUMMARY

Friday 30 September: Although not part of the conference, we advise that Heather Moen-Boyd will be presenting a lunch hour recital (at 1.10pm) in St Andrew's Cathedral, Sydney

Saturday 1 October: *Registration in the crypt of St Mary's Cathedral, Sydney from 9.00am. *Visits to organs in central Sydney with a late afternoon train trip across Sydney Harbour Bridge to Milsons Point. *Expansive views of the harbour, gourmet dinner, student recital and inspiring lecture by Hugh Mackay at St Aloysius' College.

Sunday 2 October: *Early morning free. *11.00am Rivercat ride to Parramatta. *Visits to three organs, lectures and a panel discussion. *Evening recital at St Patrick's Cathedral, featuring the splendid 3-manual 1898 Norman & Beard organ in a wonderful acoustic.

Monday 3 October: *Joint organ ramble with the Organ Music Society of Sydney, featuring organs by Hill, Jones, Richardson and Walker in Balmain and Annandale. *Lecture by Barbara Owen on organ preservation and redundant organs in the USA. Early evening visit to St Paul's Burwood to see the recently restored 3-manual 1890 William Davidson organ.

Tuesday 4 October: *9.00am train from Central Station to Newcastle via the scenic Hawkesbury River. *Visits to organs by Hill and Walker in central Newcastle. *Afternoon recital and choral service at Christ Church Cathedral. *Lectures by John Maidment and Ann Henderson
*Conference dinner.

Wednesday 5 October: *Bus trip in the Hunter Valley, including five organs in Morpeth, Lochinvar and Singleton. *Lunch at the famous Wyndham Estate winery, Dalwood.

Thursday 6 October: *Visits to four organs in Maitland, with a concluding speakers and panel discussion on the future of the organ in Australia. *Train departs Broadmeadow at 3.30 for Sydney Central, arriving just before 6.30pm.

For further information:

Email: Hugh Knight on hbknight@aapt.net.au, or Kelvin Hastie on khas@bigpond.com
Phone/fax messages: (02) 9525 2638
See also our website: www.vicnet.net.au/~ohta

BOOKING FORM

Please complete relevant boxes, detach and return with full payment by 1 August (for "earlybird" registration) or by 1 September (for standard registration) to:

Organ Historical Trust of Australia
GPO Box 676
Sydney NSW 2000 Australia

Name.....

Address.....

Phone.....Fax.....

Email.....

No. attending.....Please list additional names below:

Full payment before 1 July – "Earlybird"

Full payment after 1 July, but *before* 1 September – standard.

I am a full-time student under the age of 25 years and apply for a \$100 discount on full registration – I attach a photocopy of my student ID with this form

I am registering on a daily basis

(see over and add) with a total to be paid of \$_____.

I am also paying for accommodation on 6/10 in Charlestown (see over for details and add to total below)

AMOUNT BEING PAID \$ _____

By cheque (to "Organ Historical Trust of Australia")

By credit card – Visa , Mastercard or Bankcard only. Card Number (*please write legibly*):

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Expiry ___/___

Name on card.....

Signature.....Date.....