



JOHANN VEXO

Concert Organist

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Johann Vexo was born in 1978 in the northeastern French city of Nancy – a city close to the borders of Belgium, Luxembourg, and Germany. Surrounded and influenced by the rich musical and cultural heritage of this part of Europe, Johann's training and performance career developed rapidly and at age 25 he was appointed, through a competition, Choir Organist at the Cathedral of Notre Dame, Paris. He is now Organist of the Cavillé-Coll organ of the Cathedral in Nancy, a position he has held since 2009. After teaching at the Angers Conservatory for ten years, he is now Professor of Organ at the Conservatory as well as the Superior Music Academy in Strasbourg.

Johann Vexo first studied organ with Christophe Mantoux, as well as early music and harpsichord, at the Strasbourg Conservatory, where he was awarded *Premier Prix* in organ. He continued his studies at the Paris Conservatory where his teachers included Michel Bouvard and Olivier Latry for organ and Thierry Escaich and Philippe Lefebvre for improvisation. He earned *Premier Prix* in both organ and basso continuo and additional prizes in harmony and counterpoint.

Vexo has performed extensively throughout Europe, the United States, Canada, Mexico, Australia, New Zealand, and Russia. He has appeared as a featured artist in numerous international music festivals and organ series in cities such as Atlanta, Auckland, Chicago, Geneva, Los Angeles, Montréal, Munich, New York, Porto, Saint Petersburg, San Francisco, Sydney, and Vienna. His performances have been in notable venues such as the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington D.C., the Wanamaker Organ in Philadelphia, Westminster Abbey and St. Paul's Cathedral in London, the Kultur- und Kongresszentrum Luzern, the Brisbane City Hall, the Moscow Conservatory, and the Metropolitan Cathedral in Mexico City. He has also performed with various orchestras and musical ensembles.

Known for his generous, supportive, and captivating teaching style, Mr. Vexo has taught master classes for numerous chapters of the American Guild of Organists, and at prestigious institutions including Yale University (New Haven), Rice University (Houston), the Curtis Institute of Music (Philadelphia), Westminster Choir College (Princeton), McGill University (Montréal), Aveiro University (Portugal), Haileybury College (Melbourne), Trinity University (San Antonio), the University of Michigan (Ann Arbor), and during the international assemblies in Kaliningrad, Russia.

Johann Vexo has made several recordings of French classical and German romantic music on historic French organs. His most recent CD recording, performed on the great organ of Notre Dame Cathedral, Paris, was released on the JAV label. He has over sixty performance videos featured on YouTube.

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