

RSCM
Queensland
(Royal School
of Church
Music)

Pipes and Pizza!

Brief Details

- August 7
- August 15
- August 22
- Based at St. Stephen's Cathedral
- Use the Cathedral Car Park—entrance from Charlotte Street, just 50 metres from the Eagle St./Charlotte Street intersection
- 9.30—11.30 each day
- Register by phoning or e-mailing Ralph Morton (contact details on final page)
- Deadline for registration is Thursday August 5
- Cost: \$45 per person for the 3 weeks. For families, \$45 for the first person and \$20 for each other family member.
- Pay on the first day.

A Fun Introduction to the Wonderful World of the Organ

- An opportunity to get “up close” and personal with several organs in the Brisbane CBD
- Three Saturday mornings in August starting on August 7 from 9.30 to 11.30.
- Hear some of Brisbane's organists demonstrate their “party pieces” for the king of instruments, and have a lot of fun as well
- Get a sample bag of organ “stuff” - pictures, recordings, CD ROMS etc
- At the end of each day you get pizza for lunch!
- Some of the class will have the opportunity of playing the “king of instruments”



St. Stephen's
Cathedral Pipe

A “family oriented” program

Pipes and Pizza is presented so that it is understandable by young people. At the same time adults will find it interesting and fact filled.



Some Interesting Organs

The oldest organ in the world—and still working! You would have to go to a church in Switzerland to see it



One of the newest organs in the world—you will find this one in a concert hall in Los Angeles. It is meant to look like a very artistic wood heap!



This one is pretty cool! The pipes are meant to represent “the hand of God”

Who can come?

Just about anyone!!!

- School students (primary and secondary), instrumental students, keyboard players, members of school choirs
- Church organists, choristers, cantors, members of the congregation
- Church liturgy and management committee members who wish to find out more about the organ
- Interested adults, young people (primary students must be accompanied by an adult)
- Preferably you should come to all three weeks—each session is different!
- You don't have to be able to play an instrument to enjoy this presentation
- Those who have come to previous Play and Pizza sessions might like to come again—this is a new program!

The Organ—Some Interesting Facts

- A pipe organ can be very small – small enough to hold on your lap and pump the bellows with the left hand and play the notes with the right hand (see the picture of St. Cecilia on right)
- But pipe organs can be very large – large enough for you to hold your birthday party inside!
- The largest working organ is in a department store in Philadelphia. It contains 28,541 pipes and weighs 287 tons.
- Most people think that organ pipes are made of metal, but as you can see from the pictures, in this brochure, many are made of wood.
- The largest instrument in a church or Cathedral is the one in the Cadet Military Chapel in West Point, New York. It 23,500 pipes.
- Modern pipe organs can use very up to date materials and technology– computer chips, nylon, plastics, and so on
- There is a pipe organ in the Philippines made of Bamboo
- There was an organ in Winchester Cathedral round about 1000 AD which used “manpower” to supply the air pressure. It needed 70 prisoners to pump the bellows!

How would you like to “fly” this organ. The console of the Wannamaker Organ in Philadelphia – largest playable organ in the world.





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RSCM is an international and ecumenical organisation whose purpose is to help churches with their music. Headquartered in the UK, it has a large Australian membership and a dynamic local Qld branch. Its activities include organizing choral festivals, organ playing classes, choral conducting classes, repertoire sessions, etc. Membership for churches, schools and choirs as well as individuals is available. For more details, contact us (see details above).

