

CATHEDRAL OF SAINT PAUL  
NATIONAL SHRINE OF  
THE APOSTLE PAUL

**CONCERT:**

**Jean-Baptiste Robin, Organist**  
**Cathedral of Saint Paul**  
**239 Selby Ave.**  
**Saint Paul, MN 55102**  
**Thursday, October 30, 2014**  
**7:30 p.m.**



Jean-Baptiste Robin

**Freewill offering**

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**French Organist to close-out Inaugural Year of Organ Concerts  
at the Cathedral of Saint Paul with World Premiere**

(Saint Paul, MN) World-renowned organist and composer Jean-Baptiste Robin will perform a concert on the historic, newly refurbished pipe organs at the Cathedral of Saint Paul at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 30, 2014. Robin, organist at the Royal Chapel in the Palace of Versailles, is the fifth and final organist to perform as part of the 2014 *Inaugural Year of Organ Concerts*. This celebratory concert series marks the completion of the \$3.4 million restoration of the E. M. Skinner and Æolian-Skinner pipe organs by Quimby Pipe Organs of Missouri, which drew support from 800 individual donors. The Cathedral of Saint Paul is located at 239 Selby Avenue, at the corner of Summit Avenue in Saint Paul, Minn. Free parking is available in the Cathedral parking lots and the surrounding area.

**The one-hour program will feature the world premiere of *Cathedral Fanfare for two organists* by Saint Paul composer Stephen Paulus, which Robin will perform with the assistance of Cathedral sacred music intern Samuel Holmberg. The program will also include the American debut of Robin's own piece, *Three Solos*. The public is invited, and a freewill offering will be accepted toward the endowment fund for organ maintenance.**

Robin studied at the Conservatoire National Supérieur de Musique in Paris where he received seven Premier Prix diplomas and two postgraduate diplomas with honors. As a composer, Robin is the author of 30 works ranging from solo instrument to full orchestra. He is winner of awards from the Lagardere Foundation, the Institut de Beaux-Arts and George Enesco prize from SACEM.

Everyone who donated to the SOUND OFF! Campaign for the \$3.4 million restoration of our Great Cathedral Pipe Organs will be listed in the Pipe Organ Registry. The registry will be on display in the Founder's Chapel in the northeast corner of the Cathedral.



These concerts are made possible by generous financial assistance from the Cathedral Heritage Foundation, a community-based 501 (c)(3) organization. The Foundation is a non-profit, non-sectarian, historic preservation, cultural and arts organization established to meet the objectives of restoring and preserving the national historic treasure of the Cathedral of Saint Paul for generations to come. The volunteer community board provides leadership in developing educational programs to showcase the cultural, historic, and artistic influence of the Cathedral on people throughout the world. [www.cathedralheritagefoundation.org](http://www.cathedralheritagefoundation.org)

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