

Privacy Policy

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The American Guild of Organists – Spokane Chapter (AGO) respects the privacy of its members and other visitors to its website. The AGO strongly believes that if electronic commerce and online activities are to flourish, consumers must be assured that information provided online is used responsibly and appropriately. To protect online privacy, the AGO has implemented this privacy policy.

What Information Does AGO Collect?

The AGO uses the data that it collects to help us better serve our members. It is our policy to collect and store only personal information that our members and visitors knowingly provide. If our privacy policies change, we will notify all users by e-mail or a special announcement placed on the AGO website.

From General Users:

The AGO does not collect personal information from users browsing its website. Only aggregate data—such as the number of hits per page—are collected. The AGO uses Google Analytics to analyze visitor behavior on its website. Aggregate data are only used for internal purposes and do not provide any personally identifying information.

From AGO Members:

As a membership association the AGO collects and maintains relevant data on its members. The following data elements are collected and maintained on current and lapsed members:

- Salutation
- Full name
- email address
- Phone numbers
- Primary and Additional Addresses
- Date of Birth
- AGO Certification records including test results, dates and Pass/Fail status
- Academic Credentials
- Death Date
- Personal website
- Invoice by Email or postal mail

- Consent or Decline to receive offers from third-party vendors
- Mailing history
- Open invoices (if any)
- Functions/Contacts (AGO roles and responsibilities; honors and awards, participation in Guild programs)
- Chapter Officer positions
- Transaction history (changes to data, payments, chapter positions, etc.)
- Ward and stake for Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints volunteer organists

Scholarship and Competition Applicants

The AGO national office manages scholarship programs and competitions through a website called SlideRoom (http://www.slideroom.com/). Using SlideRoom, the AGO may collect and retain information relating to applicants and awards. Applications that result in a scholarship award become the property of the AGO. AGO retains for three years the financial and personal information submitted in scholarship applications that do not result in scholarship awards.

Sensitive Personal Data

The AGO does not collect or maintain sensitive personal data such as race, ethnic origin, sexual orientation, political opinions, religious or philosophical beliefs, trade union membership, genetic data, etc.

Data Profiling

The AGO does not engage in automated processing of personal data with the intent of predicting and/or influencing behavior.

AGO Member Services and Products.

AGO uses data collected to provide services to its own members, update and enhance its own website content, respond to visitors' interests, needs and preferences; and to develop new products and services.

Credit Card Account Information.

AGO does not disclose credit card account information provided by its members and customers. When members and customers choose to pay using a credit or debit card, AGO submits the information needed to obtain payment to the appropriate clearinghouse. The last four digits of the card and the expiration date are retained on secure AGO servers.

How Does AGO Use Cookies?

Cookies are files that contain information created by a web server that can be stored on a User's hard disk for use either during a particular session ("per-session" cookie) or for future use ("persistent cookie). The AGO does not knowingly use cookies to facilitate automated activity, store and track passwords, determine appropriate solicitations, or review navigation patterns. Cookies are not used to disseminate significant information about users over the Internet or to analyze any information that users have knowingly or unknowingly provided.

What Privacy Issues Arise with Links to Other Sites?

The AGO website contains links to other websites. AGO has no control over and is not responsible for the privacy policies or content of such sites.

