



New Recording of UT's Cox Auditorium Organ

The first commercial compact disc recording of the Richards, Fowkes & Co. organ in UT's Cox Auditorium has recently been issued by Raven Recordings. Entitled "John Brock in Recital", the recording features UT Professor Emeritus John Brock performing organ music by Buxtehude, Bruhns, Bach, Brahms, and Persichetti.

Professor Brock spearheaded the effort to acquire the organ, which was built by Richards, Fowkes & Co. of Ooltewah, Tennessee, the firm's Opus 15. The organ has three manuals (keyboards) and 41 stops. Although the organ's design was primarily inspired by North German and Dutch organs of the 17th and 18th centuries, the wide range of repertoire on the recording attests to the organ's flexibility in performing music of many styles, according to Professor Brock. The recording of the Persichetti Sonata for Organ seems to be the only commercially available recording of that work.

Copies of the recording are available from www.ravencd.com or from John Brock (jbrock@utk.edu) at \$15.00.