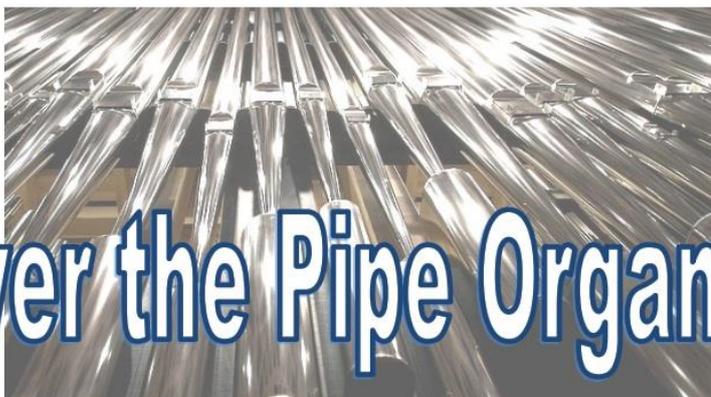




# Discover the Pipe Organ



**The Organ Society of  
Western Australia (Inc.)**

[www.oswa.org.au](http://www.oswa.org.au)

The Organ Society of WA invites persons with experience of playing a piano to come to a **Discover the Pipe Organ** day.

There is more music written for pipe organ than any other instrument. Whilst similar to a piano in that it has a keyboard, there the similarity ends. Most organs have two or more keyboards and also a 30 – 32 note pedal board where the notes are played by the feet. Organs can produce a range of sounds varying from the foundational tone of a diapason to sounds of flutes, strings and brass.

On a “Discover the Pipe Organ” course participants will work with an experienced organ player in a group of four to learn how to manage and play an organ. You will learn what the various “stops” sound like singly and in combination, how to play simple pieces with both hands and feet and learn about mechanical or computer devices on the instrument to assist in playing it.

To get the most out of the day participants should be at least 14 years old and are at least at the equivalent of Grade 5 piano and can sight read reasonably well. Participants need to come with a piece they can play to see how it fits the organ. It is suggested that the piece be a baroque piece – perhaps a two or three part invention or a fugue – as pieces like this will transfer most easily from piano to organ.

Various dates are available and various locations.

**St Patrick’s Anglican Church**, Cnr. Beaufort Street and First Avenue, Mount Lawley  
Monday July 4

**Perth Baptist Church**, Cnr. James and Stirling Streets, Perth  
Tuesday July 5  
Monday July 11

**Wesley Uniting Church**, Cnr. Market and Cantonment Streets, Fremantle  
Friday July 8

**Perth Wesley Uniting Church**, Cnr. Hay and William Streets, Perth  
Friday July 14

Please complete the Participation Form online at [www.oswa.org.au](http://www.oswa.org.au) to reserve your place. Click on the link on the OSWA home page. The participation fee (\$50) is payable by bank transfer within seven days of successfully being allocated a place. The day will commence at 9.30am and run to 4.30pm. Early enrolment is suggested as places are limited. Morning and afternoon tea will be provided but please bring a packed lunch.