

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Single day TUESDAY 8/5/25

\$25

Includes dinner & social

Single day WEDNESDAY 8/6/25

\$55

Includes all meals, snacks, materials

Single day THURSDAY 8/7/25

\$30

Includes breakfast, lunch, & social

FULL REGISTRATION – SAVE \$10

\$100

Commuter, includes all 3 days

OPTIONAL:

Lodging available, \$80 per night

Single room with private bath,

includes linens & towels

WEB ADDRESS:

<https://www.dioceseofcleveland.org/stceciliainstitute>

SCAN HERE for more information



FREE CONCERT *with Jaime and Steve*
Tuesday, August 5th @ 7:30 p.m.

STEVE PETRUNAK

“Accompanying the Journey with Hope”
Guitarist, composer, instructor, clinician, and author, Steve Petrunak is known nationally for his service as President and CEO of the National Association of Pastoral Musicians from 2017-2020. He is also a founding member of the non-profit Catholic Liturgical Ensemble Formation (CLEF) that offers formation and music programming for ensemble church musicians.



JAIME CORTEZ

“The Heart of Cultural Hospitality” Jaime Cortez is a talented international composer, arranger, performer, and liturgical musician. Born in New York and raised in El Salvador, Jaime has dedicated a portion of



ministry to promoting better Hispanic liturgies and bringing cultures together for worship.



QUESTIONS?

Contact Mary Hrich

Director of the Office for Worship

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St. Cecilia Institute is for all music ministers, paid and volunteer. This year's institute, August 5-7, features tracks for directors and members of music ministries. Be inspired by Steve Petrunak and Jaime Cortez, with extended breakout sessions led by local clinicians and plenty of time for prayer, food and social time with fellow music ministers.



St. Cecilia
INSTITUTE

AUGUST 5-7, 2025

SCHEDULE at a GLANCE

TRACK I: for MUSIC DIRECTORS/LEADERS

- A: Voice I – Managing aging voices, caring for your choir's voice
- B: Technology I – Dorico music software
- C: Sing/Plan I – Repertoire analysis, liturgy planning strategies
- D: Chant I – Utilizing chant in liturgy, strategies, techniques, proper pronunciation
- E: Leaders of Music: Choral Conducting & Recruitment

TRACK II: for CANTORS/CHORISTERS/MUSIC MINISTERS

- A: Voice II – Care for the aging voice
- B: Technology II – Overview of general sound system principles, microphone technique
- C: Sing/Plan II – Sight singing, music analysis, tips for cantor/choir
- D: Chant II – techniques, best practices, proper pronunciation
- E: Spirituality of the Music Minister

CLEF

During the morning session, instrumentalists and vocalists work independently on skills unique to their own ministry:

- Instrumentalists will explore positive ways of playing together that “leaves room” for each other and individual techniques that complement the overall instrumental experience.
- Vocalists will explore proper breathing and effective choral singing techniques (vowel formations, cutoffs, diction, vocal blend, etc...) that make for beautiful ensemble singing.

In the afternoon session, instrumentalists and singers come together to explore how best to work as one to make the ensemble music experience exceptional.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 5, 2025

A day of inspiration, prayer, and fellowship.

- 2:30 p.m.** Registration & Welcome
- 3:00 p.m.** **Keynote: Steve Petrunak**
“Accompanying the Journey with Hope”
- 5:00 p.m.** Vespers
- 6:00 p.m.** Dinner
- 7:30 p.m.** **FREE Concert: Jaime Cortez,**
Steve Petrunak & friends

Social to follow

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 6, 2025

A day of learning, prayer, and fellowship.
Breakouts offered in two tracks.

- 8:00 a.m.** Breakfast
- 8:30 a.m.** Morning Prayer
- 9:00 a.m.** **Reflections from the**
Office for Worship
- 10:00 a.m.** Break
- 10:15 a.m.** **Breakout A: Voice**
- 11:45 a.m.** Mass
- 12:30 p.m.** Lunch
- 1:30 p.m.** **Breakout B: Technology**
- 2:45 p.m.** Break
- 3:00pm** **Keynote: Jaime Cortez “The Heart**
of Cultural Hospitality”
- 4:15pm** Break
- 4:30pm** **Breakout C: Sing/Plan**
- 6:00pm** Dinner
- 7:30pm** **Panel discussion – Unpacking What**
We’ve Learned

Social to follow

THURSDAY AUGUST 7, 2025

2 OPTIONS:

- *CLEF day with Jaime Cortez,*
Steve Petrunak & friends
- *A Traditional Approach: Organ / Chant /*
Conducting / Spirituality

8:00 a.m. Breakfast

8:30 a.m. Morning Prayer

9:00 a.m. **Breakout D: Chant**

10:15 a.m. Break

10:30 a.m. **Organ Restoration / Maintenance**
Conversation

– or –

9:00 a.m. **CLEF Part 1**

11:45 a.m. Mass

12:30 p.m. Lunch

1:30 p.m. **Breakout E**

– or –

1:30 p.m. **CLEF Part 2**

3:45 p.m. **Service Music Review:**
Survey Results

5:00 p.m. Vespers

5:30 p.m. Happy Hour/Social



* Catholic Liturgical Ensemble Formation (CLEF) provides training, education, and an active support network to empower ensemble musicians to facilitate full, conscious, and active participation in the liturgy. Learn more at www.CLEF.life.