

Recital by  
**JOHN DIXON**  
ORGANIST and COMPOSER

Sanbornton Congregational Church  
Friday, October 13<sup>th</sup>, 2023 7PM

21 Meeting House Hill Rd., Sanbornton, NH



Born in England in 1957, John Dixon learned to play the pipe organ at his high school which, amazingly, still has today, a fine two manual organ in the assembly hall. Although he did not choose to make music his major field of study, he was active in music and theater while studying for his bachelor of arts degree at Oxford University and later at Harvard for his MBA. John eventually filled the organ bench at his church, Providence Presbyterian Church in Virginia Beach, during an emergency in 1998 – and, twenty-five years later, is still there.

He has been composing seriously since 1990 and now has more than 900 compositions to his credit, many of them published. His recital, featuring a selection from his organ works, will include explanations of how and why the pieces were written.

His current project is to share his own music in person in all 50 states between his 60th and 70th birthdays – the 50-60-70 project. *New Hampshire is the 32nd state.*

In 2003, John was appointed executive director of the Academy of Music, a non-profit community music school, headquartered in Norfolk, Virginia, a position he still holds.

In addition, he is the current Treasurer/Councillor for Finance and Development of the American Guild of Organists, in which capacity he enjoys connecting with organists throughout the USA.

**John's organ music is a perfect repertoire addition for the every-Sunday organist. His compositions are accessible by both organists and congregations. Come hear John as he demonstrates, in the most entertaining way, his music and why it might be a good addition to *your* library.**

*This event is free and open to the public. Donations accepted*

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