

**Jillian Gardner** is an organist, accompanist, and harpsichordist from Lee Center, New York. She began her study of the organ at age fourteen and completed a bachelor's degree in organ performance with a minor in historical performance from the Oberlin Conservatory in 2015. In 2017, she completed her Master's degree in organ performance at Baylor University. This fall, she will continue her studies at Baylor in the artist diploma program. Jillian has been an active recitalist across the United States and in the United Kingdom. In May 2018 she will return to London for recitals at St. Paul Cathedral and St. George's Hanover Square. No stranger to the competition circuit, Jillian has taken a number of first place prizes and was named one of the "Top 20 under 30" organists in the nation by *The Diapason*, a magazine serving those who play and build organs.

Passionate about making the organ accessible to as many people as possible, Jillian's diverse programs and signature pink organ shoes brighten each of her colorful performances. Outside of the organ loft, Gardner is an advocate of physical fitness. She believes that a healthy mind and body contribute to the quality of her artistry. Gardner always enjoys meeting new people and likes to travel and experience different cultures in the United States and abroad as she pursues her career.