Gaietà Estadella i Solé

Founded/Born

1875 - 1944

Closed/Death

Still active?

Description

Gaietà Estadella i Solé was a prominent Catalan organ builder from Barcelona, who lived from 1875 to 1944. He learned the craft under the mentorship of the Basque master organ builder Aquilino Amezua, who was based in Barcelona at the time. Estadella also had a familial connection to another significant figure in organ building, being the brother-in-law to Pau Xuclà i Camprubí. Throughout his career, Estadella built several notable organs across Spain. His work included instruments for Sant Andreu de Llavaneres in 1918, Oteiza (Navarra) in 1922, the church of N.S. de l'Alba in Tàrrega in 1924, and the large organ at Santa Maria de Mataró in 1927, which served various religious communities.

Estadella's organs are also found in Nuestra Señora de la Esperanza in Ubrique (Cádiz) and the Santos Mártires church in Brozas, Cáceres. One of his notable projects was the organ for the parish church of Vilassar de Mar, inaugurated on July 5, 1936, just before the outbreak of the Spanish Civil War. This organ survived the war by being disassembled and stored, and it was reinstalled and reinaugurated in 1947 by Pau Xuclà i Camprubí in the new parish church. Designed in a romantic-symphonic style, this particular organ featured two manual keyboards and a pedal keyboard, encompassing fourteen registers and a total of 899 sounding pipes arranged in two sonorous bodies within expressive boxes. Estadella's work is characterized by its technical mastery and artistic flair, leaving a lasting impact on the musical and cultural heritage of Catalonia.

Sources

https://ca.wikipedia.org/wiki/Gaiet%C3%A0 Estadella i Sol%C3%A9

Sant Cugat del Vallès, Monestir de Sant Cugat del Vallès Església de Sant Pere d'Octavià, 08172 Sant Cugat del Vallès, Spain



Builder

G. Estadella i Solé

Year

1912

Period/Style

Classical

Keyaction

tracker/mechanical

Tuning

Unknown

Tàrrega, Església parroquial de Santa Maria de l'Alba Plaça Major, 3, 25300 Tàrrega, Spain



Builder G. Estadella i Solé

Year 1924

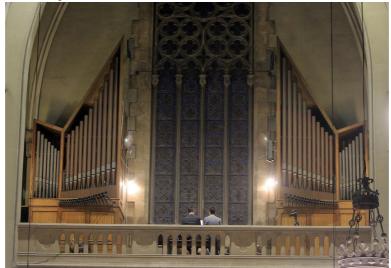
Period/Style Classical

Keyaction tracker/mechanical

Tuning Equal at 440 Hz Hz

Sabadell, Esglesia de Sant Fèlix de Sabadell

Església de Sant Fellix, 08202 Sabadell, Spain



Builder G. Estadella i Solé

Year ca. 1939

Period/Style Modern

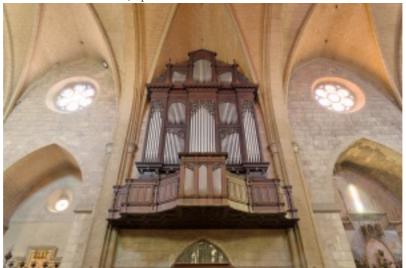
Keyaction tracker/mechanical

Tuning Unknown

Description

The organ of the church of Sant Félix in Sabadell was built in 1939. It was installed after the Spanish Civil War, as the previous organ was destroyed during the war. This new instrument was the work of the master organer Gaietà Estadella.

Vilafranca del Penedès, Basílica parroquial de Santa Maria Basilica de Santa Maria, 08720 Vilafranca del Penedès, Spain



Builder

G. Estadella i Solé

Year

ca. 1942

Period/Style

Classical

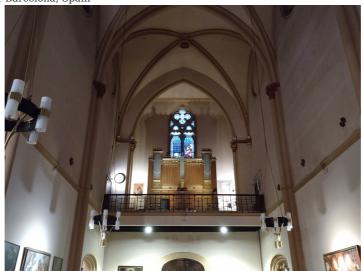
Keyaction

tracker/mechanical

Tuning

Unknown

Barcelona, Església parroquial de la Mare de Déu de Núria Carrer del Bon Pastor, 7-9, 08021 Barcelona, Spain



Builder G. Estadella i Solé

Year ca. 1945

Period/Style Modern

Keyaction pneumatic

Tuning Equal at 410.0 Hz a 20 °C Hz