

Belum, St. Vitus

Kirchplatz, 21785 Belum, Germany



Builder	R. West
Year	ca. 2004
Period/Style	Baroque
Stops	13
Keyboards	2+P
Keyaction	tracker/mechanical
Tuning	Bach-Barnes at 440 Hz

Description

The St. Vitus Church in Belum has a long history of organ construction and renovation. Originally, the church possessed an organ before 1600, which was rebuilt by the organ builder Georg Wilhelm Wilhelmy in 1794-95, incorporating old prospect pipes from the 16th century. In 1905, the firm Furtwängler & Hammer constructed a new romantic organ using cone chests, but it soon became problematic.

In the early 2000s, Rowan West from Altenahr built a new organ within the old Wilhelmy case, once again utilizing the 16th-century prospect pipes. The new organ was inaugurated on September 1, 2001, and the project was fully completed in 2004. The organ features a mix of historical and modern elements, with 11 stops distributed across Hauptwerk, Hinterwerk, and Pedal divisions. The detailed restoration maintained the original character and incorporated key historical components, ensuring the instrument's rich legacy continued.

Stoplist/Disposition

Hauptwerk	Hinterwerk	Pedal
Bordun 16'	Gedact 8'	Subbaß 16'
Principal 8'	Rohrflöte 4'	Octavbaß 8'
Rohrflöte 8'	Principal 2'	
Octave 4'	Sesquialtera 2f	
Spitzflöte 4'		
Nassat 3'		
Mixtur 4f		

Additional: II/I, I/P, II/P, Tremulant (whole instrument)

Sources

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