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Wind Ensemble Concert

Sept. 10, 2014

The Illinois Wesleyan University School of Music's Wind Ensemble will perform in concert on Friday, Sept. 26. The concert, which is free and open to the public, will be held at 7:30 p.m. in Westbrook Auditorium of Presser Hall. Lev Ivanov, visiting assistant professor of music, will conduct the performance.

Some of the program selections will include William Schumann's "Chester," American composer Vincent Persichetti's "Pageant," and "Suite Francaise" by French composer Darius Milhaud. The movements of "Suite Francaise" are named after the five French provinces where Allied armies fought alongside French soldiers during World War II. The work premiered in 1945.

Ivanov began teaching conducting at Illinois Wesleyan this fall. He is also music director of Illinois Wesleyan Civic Orchestra. The Ukrainian-born conductor has won international chamber music and conducting competitions. He studied at the Tchaikovsky National Academy of Music in Ukraine and received his doctorate from Arizona State University (ASU). In Arizona he was assistant conductor of ASU Symphony Orchestra and director of ASU Sinfonietta.



Lev Ivanov

Founded more than 30 years ago by Professor Emeritus Steven W. Eggleston, the Wind Ensemble is comprised of the top wind and percussion students at the University. The ensemble specializes in performing contemporary pieces and has worked with world-renowned and award-winning composers. In addition to performing on campus during the academic year, the Wind Ensemble also participates in national music conferences and frequently tours throughout the Midwest.

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