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Cal Poly Band Winter Concert Set for March 15

SAN LUIS OBISPO – Cal Poly's University Wind Orchestra and Wind Ensemble will present their Winter Band Concert at 8 p.m. Saturday, March 15, in Harman Hall in the Performing Arts Center's Christopher Cohan Center.

The concert, titled "Pomp and Pipes," will feature Cal Poly organist Paul Woodring and the new Forbes Pipe Organ.

Woodring specialized in organ performance at Cal State Northridge and continued his studies in Vienna, Austria. He has performed as a recitalist and accompanist throughout Europe and the western United States. Woodring is also a composer, arranger and conductor, currently serving the congregation of Mt. Carmel Lutheran Church in San Luis Obispo as organist/choir director.

The evening's musical highlights will include Richard Wagner's "Elsa's Procession to the Cathedral," Alfred Reed's "Allelujah! Laudemus Te," David Maslanka's Symphony No. 4, Jaromir Weinberger's "Polka and Fugue" from "Schwanda the Bagpiper," Camille Saint-Saens's "Finale" from Symphony No. 3, and Andrew Lloyd Webber's "Phantom of the Opera Selections."

William Johnson, Cal Poly director of bands, and Christopher Woodruff, associate director of bands, will conducting the Wind Orchestra and Wind Ensemble. Senior music major Amanda Yoshimizu will serve as student conductor.

"With its 2,767 pipes made by Fisk, this big baby moves a lot of wind," Johnson said. Then again, the guys and gals of the Cal Poly Wind Orchestra and Wind Ensemble have been known to move some air, too."

The concert is sponsored by Cal Poly's Music Department, College of Liberal Arts, and Instructionally Related Activities program. Tickets are \$8 to \$19 and can be purchased at the Performing Arts Ticket Office 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturdays. To order by phone, call SLO-ARTS (756-2787). Discounts are given to patrons who buy tickets to four or more Music Department events for 2007-2008.

For more information, call the Music Department at 756-2406. Photos are available online at http://www.pacslo.org/about/forbes pipe organ.php#organist.

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