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Cal Poly Wind Orchestra, Ensemble Season Finale to be June 6

SAN LUIS OBISPO - Cal Poly's University Wind Orchestra and Wind Ensemble will present their season finale "Visions" Saturday, June 6 at 8 p.m. in Harman Hall in the Performing Arts Center's Christopher Cohan Center. The performance will include a special tribute marking the anniversary of D-Day.

The annual Spring Band Concert will feature trombonist Alex Iles in Eric Ewazen's "Visions of Light," a trombone concerto inspired by three photographs taken by Ansel Adams.

Iles is principal trombonist of the Long Beach Symphony Orchestra. He has performed as alto, tenor and bass trombonist with the Los Angeles Philharmonic, the L.A. Chamber Orchestra, the Pasadena Symphony, the Pacific Symphony, Opera Pacifica and the Santa Barbara Symphony, and for hundreds of television series and motion pictures.

Other works to be performed include "Be thou My Vision" by David Gillingham, "Escape from Plato's Cave" by Stephen Melillo, "The Dream of Oenghus" by Rolf Rudin and the "March to the Scaffold" from "Symphonie Fantastique" by Hector Berlioz.

The June 6 concert date is the 65th anniversary of D-Day. The Wind Ensemble will perform "Lonely Beach, Normandy 1944," a musical reenactment of the Normandy invasion. The striking performance features trumpets and drums surrounding the audience and WWII newsreel footage as a backdrop. SLO resident and combat veteran Leo Domouchelle will be a special guest for the performance. Domouchelle was dropped behind the German line of defense two hours before the Normandy Landing and earned two Purple Hearts in one day.

The concert is sponsored by Cal Poly's Music Department, College of Liberal Arts, and Instructionally Related Activities program. Tickets are \$16 & \$19 for the public, \$13 & \$15 for seniors and \$8 for students. They are on sale 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).

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