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## **Eastern Illinois Wind Symphony to Present 'Art of the Wind Band'**

*Feb-10-2011*

The Eastern Illinois Wind Symphony, the premier ensemble of the Eastern Illinois University band program, will present its "The Art of the Wind Band" concert on Saturday, Feb. 26.

The concert will begin at 7:30 p.m. in the Doudna Fine Arts Center's Dvorak Concert Hall on the EIU campus.

The program is to include "Festive Overture" by Shostakovich; "The Gum-Suckers March" by Grainger, led by graduate student conductor Chris Mroczek; "Angels in the Architecture" by Ticheli; "Elsa's Procession to the Cathedral" by Wagner; "Trombone Concerto" by Mackey, featuring EIU trombone professor Jemmie Robertson; and "Hands Across the Sea" by Sousa.

The Eastern Illinois Wind Symphony, comprised of about 50 of EIU's finest undergraduate and graduate brass, woodwind and percussion students, performs significant literature for winds that is drawn from the major masterworks of the repertoire for the modern wind band, including chamber literature.

It is also actively involved in the commissioning of new works for wind band, as well as exploring new approaches to programming and performing.

The Eastern Illinois Wind Symphony is conducted by Barry L. Houser, acting director of bands at EIU.

Tickets -- \$5 for the general public and \$3 for students, senior citizens and EIU employees -- may be purchased in person at the Doudna Fine Arts Center Box Office, by telephone at 217-581-3110, or online at [www.eiu.edu/doudna](http://www.eiu.edu/doudna).

The Doudna Fine Arts Center is a division of the EIU College of Arts and Humanities.