The John Swain Memorial Prize for Wind Ensemble Composition

Sponsored by the Pacific Contemporary Music Center of CSULA and the Department of Music, Theatre and Dance

The John Swain Prize for Wind Ensemble Composition was established to honor the long-time CSULA professor and to encourage the creation and dissemination of high quality works for the symphonic wind ensemble. Dr. Swain conducted, arranged for and supported the wind ensemble throughout his career and the organizers of this contest found it to be a fitting tribute to their colleague.

Submission Requirements:
• No Age Restriction but compositions must have been written after 2008
• Composers must be citizens or legal residents of the United States
• $20 (US) entry fee
• Technical Level: Grade 4-5
• Instrumentation: standard symphonic wind ensemble
• No concerti
• Works using electronics are acceptable, technology requirements must be included with the submission

Submission Procedure:
• Scores and recordings (MIDI acceptable) are to be submitted via Dropbox, Google Drive or some other online, third-party delivery method. Send links to pcmc@calstatela.edu with the subject line “Swain Memorial Prize”.
• Hard copy submission of scores and recordings will not be accepted.
• Score and Recording Receipt Deadline: November 30, 2013, 6:00 PM PST
• Entry fee of $20 (US) must be mailed and received by the score receipt deadline. Please mail to the following address:
  John Swain Memorial Prize
  Department of Music, Theatre and Dance
  California State University, Los Angeles
  5151 State University Dr.
  Los Angeles, CA 90032
• The winning composer is expected to attend the performance and present a master class on their work.
• Performance: May 8, 2014
• $500 cash prize, travel and accommodations
• Performance and recording by the CSULA Wind Ensemble, Dr. Emily Moss, director
• Winner notified by December 20, 2013
• For More Details on Submissions: www.calstatela.edu/centers/PCMC