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YOUNGSTOWN, Ohio - Twenty-four area high schools will participate in Youngstown State University's "Business Olympics," sponsored by YSU's Business Education and Technology Department and the Yo-Mah-O Chapter of Professional Secretaries International.

The "Olympics" features competition in various business-related skill areas, including accounting, shorthand, word processing and typing, and will begin at 9 a.m. Saturday, April 19, in YSU's Cushwa Hall.

Other events will include formal presentations in management, sales, and job application/interview techniques. The Yo-Mah-O Chapter of PSI will award a \$50 savings bond to the first place winner of an essay contest entitled "Why I Want to Be a Secretary."

Registration will be held from 8 to 8:45 a.m. with the competition running from 9 a.m. to approximately 11 on the third floor of Cushwa Hall.

For further information, contact James Kohut, coordinator of Marketing Technology, Department of Business Education and Technology, at 742-3524.

The Department of Business Education and Technology is a part of YSU's College of Applied Science and Technology.

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NEWS DIRECTORS/EDITORS: The awards presentation will be held about 11:30 a.m. in Ford Auditorium of Bliss Hall, Wick Avenue.

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YOUNGSTOWN, Ohio - Youngstown State University's Dana New Music Festival II will be held on campus at Bliss Hall, April 24 and 25.

Organized by the YSU New Music Society and supported by Student Government, the Dana School of Music and YSU Wind Ensemble, and the Ohio Arts Council, the festival is designed to bring music composed in the 20th Century to musicians and also general audiences.

Nationally and internationally recognized composers including Dr. Elliott Schwartz, Zenobia Perry and Dinos Constantinides will lecture, perform concerts and provide panel discussions. All events are free and open to the public.

Dr. Schwartz, principal guest composer, will begin the festival at 10 a.m. on April 24 with a lecture, "A Composer's View of Performance: Ritual, Space, and Illusion." The presentation will be in Bliss Recital Hall, Wick Avenue.

The composer, pianist and conductor is currently on leave from the chairmanship of the Music Department at Bowdoin College, in Brunswick, Maine, to assume a visiting professorship at Ohio State University, Columbus.

The YSU Wind Ensemble, directed by Dana Professor of Music Joseph Edwards of Poland, and conducted by Dr. Schwartz, will perform the first festival concert the same day at 1 p.m. in the Band Rehearsal Room of Bliss Hall. The ensemble will perform compositions by Schwartz in addition to others by Vaughn Williams, Glenn Smith and Samuel Adler.

Also on April 24 the first panel discussion will take place at 2:30 p.m. in Bliss Recital Hall. Dr. Edward Largent of Youngstown, Dana associate professor of music, Dr. Schwartz and Zenobia Perry, both guest artists; Peter Ware, composer and publisher; Richard Hobson, professor at Xavier University, Cincinnati, and

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Dinu Ghezzo, professor at New York University, will discuss the topic, "Multi-Media Compositional Resources."

The second concert will take place at 4 p.m. in Bliss Recital Hall. It will feature the Dana Contemporary Music Ensemble directed by John Turk of Youngstown, Dana associate professor of music, the Dana Trombone Ensemble directed by Michael Crist of Youngstown, Dana instructor, and the Dana faculty and student soloists.

It will include compositions by Stravinsky, Johnson, Heinick, Vercoe, Ware, Kamus, Heussenstamm, Tang, Kuzell, Henkel, Dana's Dr. Largent and Dr. Robert Rollin, and guest artists Perry and Schwartz.

At 8 p.m. in the Recital Hall, the Dana Womens Chorus, directed by Dana Assistant Professor Dr. Jo. A. Lanier of Youngstown, and the Dana Composers Ensemble, directed by Dr. Rollin, associate professor, will perform compositions by guest artists Perry and Schwartz in addition to Franklin, Lutoslawski, Stiver, Gickham and Charm.

Allyn D. Reilly will be featured on the saxophone performing a composition by James Chaudoir.

At 9 a.m. Friday, April 25, Dinos Constantinides will lecture in Bliss Recital Hall on "20th Century Music for Violin."

Constantinides is concertmaster of the Baton Rouge Symphony and professor of composition at Louisiana State University.

At 10 a.m., the second panel discussion will be held in Bliss Recital Hall on "New Music and Broadcasting." Donald Wilson of Bowling Green State University, Raymond Wilding-White of De Paul University, Chicago, and a member of the WYSU-FM fine arts radio station will participate.

At 11 a.m. in the Recital Hall Schwartz will present a lecture "Live Performance and Electronic Extensions."

The fourth concert will be at 1:15 p.m. on April 25 in Bliss Recital Hall. The Hobson Trio, featuring Richard Hobson, flute, Susan Jennings, clarinet, and Maura Teagu, piano, will perform compositions by Cooper, Koplow, Bell and Trafford.

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The YSU Jazz Ensemble, directed by Dana associate professor of music Tony Leonardi of Poland will also perform at 3 p.m. in the Band Rehearsal Room.

At 4:30 p.m. in the Recital Hall, Dinos Constantinides will give a violin performance and pianist Steven Brown will also perform. They will play music by Constantinides and works by Siegmester, Penderecki, Cowell, LeDee, Penri-Evans, Van de Vate, Dugas and Ives.

The final festival concert will begin at 8:30 p.m. in Bliss Recital Hall when the New York University Contemporary Players, directed by Dinu Ghezzo, will perform.

For more information about the festival, contact YSU's Dana School of Music at (216) 742-3636.

The Dana School is part of YSU's College of Fine and Performing Arts.

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