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The concert is free and open to the public as well as students, faculty and staff.

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The concert is free and open to the public.

Leo Kraft of the faculty of the Aaron Copland School of Music, Queens College, New York, will be the guest conductor. On the same day, Kraft will work with student composers and performers at YSU and will present a lecture, "Beyond the SATB: Exploring Musical Space," at 1 p.m. in Bliss Hall, Room 3140.

Kraft is the author of many compositions and a number of theoretical textbooks that are used in colleges and universities throughout the U.S. and Canada. Among his many honors are a Fulbright Fellowship, a National Endowment Grant, presidency of the American Music Center and important performances by noted orchestras and soloists. He recently conducted the New Repertory Ensemble in the recording of his "Chamber Symphony."

His interest in electronic music dates from 1967 when he studied with Vladimir Ussachevsky at Columbia University.

The evening concert will be highlighted by the area premiere of Kraft's "Diaphonies" for oboe and piano featuring faculty oboist Dr. Tedrow Perkins of Youngstown, accompanied by Randall Fusco on the piano.

The program will include an original ragtime performance by Dr. Edward Largent of Boardman, a faculty member of the Dana School of Music.

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There will be performances of new compositions by graduate student Lars Brondum of Canfield and undergraduates Denise Stiger of Canfield and William Young of Youngstown.

Michael Kamuf will be trumpet soloist in a work by California composer Thomas Darter. Other student soloists will include Kevin Bell of Leetonia; Dan Barnard of East Liverpool; Joseph Yaksich of Niles; George Kirby of Struthers; Michael Kamus of Cleveland and Elliott Kuykendall of Youngstown.

Another number being premiered will be Dr. Rollin's "Dinu's Mysterious Rag."

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