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Mark O'Connor Composition to Premiere at the 2009 Midwest Clinic *Midwest Clinic Commission Celebrates Annual Conference; Adds Excellent New Music to Educators' Repertoire*

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EVANSTON, IL –The 63rd Annual Midwest Clinic will be held December 15-19, 2009. To celebrate, The Midwest Clinic commissioned a new work, *Olympic Harvest (An Orchestral Overture)* for Symphony Orchestra, from renowned violinist, composer, and educator Mark O'Connor. At the conference, the Las Vegas Academy Philharmonic will have the honor of giving the overture its world premiere during their concert (Wednesday, December 16, 5:30 – 6:30 p.m.).

The Midwest Clinic began commissioning new works from emerging and established composers in 1996 in an effort to add excellent new band, jazz, orchestra, and chamber works to instrumental music teachers' repertoire. The Midwest Clinic is pleased to help make high-caliber new music at a variety of levels available to music educators, students, and communities.

The Midwest Clinic exists to serve music educators and to improve the field of music education. The 2009 Midwest Clinic will be held this December 15-19, at McCormick Place West (2301 S. Indiana Avenue, Chicago, Illinois). This year's offerings include 70 clinics designed for band, orchestra and jazz directors at all levels, more than 40 concerts from middle school, high school and adult bands, orchestras, jazz ensembles and chamber ensembles, and over 350 exhibitors from the music industry. For more information and discounted preregistration, please visit www.midwestclinic.org.

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