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EDITORS: Note Toronto and
Parry Sound mentions.

WLU musician wins first prize
in harp competition for composers

Dr. Glenn Buhr, director of music composition in the faculty of music at Wilfrid Laurier University, has won first prize in the 1986 American Harp Society composition for composers.

The work that won the competition was an extended piece for solo harp, entitled Tanzmusik.

Buhr is the first Canadian ever to receive the award, which includes a cash prize of \$3,000 U.S. and an opportunity to present several concert performances of the winning composition over the next three years.

Last summer, Buhr won the prestigious Pro Loco Corciano prize in Italy-- and he was also the first Canadian to win that award. The prize-winning work, Epigrams, for wind orchestra, will receive its European premiere at Corciano in Italy next month.

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The Laurier musician has also won several important commissions for new works recently. He has just completed a piece for the Armin String Trio, with jazz duo Doug Riley and Dave Young. It will be premiered July 25 at the Festival of the Sound in Parry Sound, Ontario.

Buhr is currently working on a large orchestral work, commissioned by the Toronto Symphony Orchestra. It will be premiered in October, 1987.