## **Western Illinois Horn Festival 2016**

The Western Illinois Horn Festival 2016 with Guest Artist Clinician—Douglas Hill was held at Western Illinois University on April 17, 2016.

Featured among the master classes, and solo and ensemble performances by guest participants and members of the Western Illinois Horn Festival were a variety of horn compositions by Douglas Hill. These included selections from *Ten Pieces for Two Horns* performed by hornists Katherine and Jarrett Webb, *To The Winter Sun* performed by Alphornist Lee Kessinger with Percussionist Kevin Nichols, selections from *Song Suite for Horn and Piano* performed by hornist Randall Faust with pianist Minjung Seo, Reflections *for Horn Alone* performed by hornist Ethan Nueva, *The Glorious Privilege of Being* as well as *Shared Reflections* for Horn Ensemble performed by the Western Illinois University Horn Ensemble, and The Premiere Performance of two new compositions: *Adagio for Horns* and *Three Short Stories* by the Western Illinois Festival Horn Choir with Douglas Hill conducting.

Other special features included Douglas Hill's lecture: *ENTHUSIASM: The Essential Element* and an appearance by Special Guest Hornist and former student of Douglas Hill (via Aspen)—The Associate Principal Hornist of the St. Louis Symphony: Thomas Jöstlein conducting his own *Campbell Fanfare* with the Western Illinois University Horn Ensemble as well as performing "Appel Interstellaire" from *Des canyons aux étoiles* by Olivier Messiaen, as well as movements from Douglas Hill's *Thoughtful Wanderings* with Percussionist Kevin Nichols.

Hornists are invited to attend the Western Illinois Horn Festival 2017 on April 2, 2017. For more information contact Randall Faust at email <a href="mailto:re-faust@wiu.edu">re-faust@wiu.edu</a> --As well as at the website: <a href="https://www.wiu.edu/cofac/horn">www.wiu.edu/cofac/horn</a>

## Photos:

- \*The Western Illinois Horn Festival Horn Choir, Douglas Hill, conductor, and pianist Minjung Seo. (Sharon Faust, photo)
  - Thomas Jöstlein, Randall Faust, and Douglas Hill at the Western Illinois Horn Festival. (Thomas Jöstlein photo)
  - WIU HORN ENSEMBLE and Randall Faust
  - SHARED REFLECTIONS! Douglas Hill and the WIU HORN ENSEMBLE
  - Kevin Nichols and Thomas Jöstlein perform Douglas Hill's *Thoughtful Wanderings for Natural Horn and Percussion*.

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