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## News Release

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### **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

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### **MARK RECORDS RELEASES AN ALL-TUCKER WIND ENSEMBLE CD**

Mark Records, a longtime supporter and proponent of the wind ensemble, has released a new CD devoted to the wind works of Christopher Tucker. The album titled "Twilight in the Wilderness" (MCD-6150) features performances by the North Texas Wind Symphony, Rutgers Wind Ensemble and SIU Edwardsville Wind Symphony. The official release was made December 2005.

Among the program, the disc includes the title track *Twilight in the Wilderness*, which won the 2003 College Band Directors National Association (CBDNA) Young Band Composition Contest as well the 2004 Claude T. Smith Memorial Band Composition Contest and the moving *Americans Lost* for narrator and band, winner of the 2001 CBDNA Award.

Ira Novoselsky of Bandworld remarked about the CD, "Christopher Tucker has succeeded in composing music that sounds fresh & new...Tucker's works will surprise you. [He] is a composer with a great future ahead as this recording will illustrate."

For more information on obtaining this new release, visit [www.tuckermusicworks.com](http://www.tuckermusicworks.com).

### **JOURNEY DOWN NIAGARA TAKES THIRD PRIZE**

Christopher Tucker's latest young band work *Journey down Niagara* has won third place in Category One of the 2006 Frank Ticheli Composition Contest sponsored by Manhattan Beach Music. The award comes with a \$250 cash prize.

The winners were announced on March 15, 2006 after six months of jury deliberations. Over one hundred compositions were reviewed coming from ten countries including The Netherlands, Japan and the United States.

*Journey down Niagara* was inspired by the composer's trip to Niagara Falls, ON with his wife. The work celebrates their experiences, musically depicting the *Maid of the Mist*, *White Water Walk*, *Journey Behind the Falls* as well as the falls themselves.

Mr. Tucker's *Gulf Breezes* was also honored with a finalist distinction in the second "grade three" category.