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## WESTERN INSTRUCTOR RECEIVES STATEWIDE RECOGNITION

**St. Joseph, Mo.** —Nov. 10, 2005—Anthony Glise, adjunct instructor of music at Missouri Western State University and classical guitarist, was named recipient of the 2006 Individual Artist of the Year Award by the Missouri Arts Council.

This is the first time that a classical guitarist has been honored with this prestigious statewide award and the first time anyone from the St. Joseph area has been cited for the Individual Artist Award.

The award ceremony will be held Feb. 8 in Missouri's State Capitol Rotunda in Jefferson City. The award will be presented by Gov. Matt Blunt.

Glise, a native of France, is the director of the International Guitar Festival that has been held for the past two years in St. Joseph. He also helped arrange the exchange program between the St. Joseph Community Chorus and the Chorale Divertimento from Lille, France last February.

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Teresa Frankhauser, executive director of the Allied Arts Council of St. Joseph, said, “The Council is delighted the Missouri Arts Council chose to honor Anthony as the 2006 Outstanding Missouri Artist. He is a gifted instrumentalist and composer who shares his love of music with students and art patrons alike. His devotion to the cultural exchange of music has brought St. Joseph national and international attention. Through his connections, St. Joseph has welcomed world-class artists to our community. We are truly blessed to have Anthony as one of St. Joseph’s citizens.”

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