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WESTERN ALUMNUS TO PERFORM ORGAN RECITAL

St. Joseph, Mo. —May 4, 2006—Missouri Western State University alumnus Christian Bohnenstengel will present a recital of solo organ music at 5 p.m. May 13 in the First Presbyterian Church Sanctuary, 7th and Jules. The performance is free and open to the community.

Bohnenstengel received his bachelor of arts degree magna cum laude in piano performance from Western in 2002. He went on to earn a master's degree in piano performance from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. Bohnenstengel has received numerous honors, awards and prizes, including second prize in the Missouri Music Teachers Association collegiate honors piano auditions and organ auditions. He was named winner of the Best Performance Helen Trapp Award and won second prize in the Nebraska division of the MTNA Young Artist Performance Competition.

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Missouri Western State University is a four-year public institution providing a blend of traditional liberal arts and professional degree programs. The university offers student-centered, high quality instruction that focuses on experience-based learning, community service, and state-of-the-art technology. Western is located in St. Joseph, Mo. and is committed to the educational, economic, cultural and social development of the region it serves.