MSU ALUMNUS TO RETURN AS GUEST ARTIST IN RESIDENCE

MSU alumnus and well-known composer David Maslanka will visit campus this week as a guest artist-in-residence at the MSU College of Music.

He will give composition master classes and work with four student ensembles in concert.

Maslanka’s music for winds has become especially well known. Among his more than 130 works are 40 pieces for wind ensemble, including seven symphonies, 15 concertos, a Mass, and many concert pieces. His chamber music includes four wind quintets, five saxophone quartets, and many works for solo instrument and piano. In addition, he has written a variety of orchestral and choral pieces.

He earned two MSU graduate degree, specializing in music composition, from the MSU College of Music in 1968 and 1971, respectively.

The headline concert will begin at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 1. It will feature MSU’s Wind Symphony in Wharton Center’s Cobb Great Hall, under the direction of Kevin Sedatole, director of MSU bands.