

UNIVERSITY

Professor wins major music award

By Tammy Batey
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The frustration of standing for hours practicing the violin as a child caused Robert Hladky to switch to the cello — a decision he has never regretted.

Hladky, a University cello professor, was recently recognized for his cello mastery as a recipient of the American String Teachers Association 1991 Citation for Exceptional Leadership and Merit.

Hladky will receive the award during the 1991 ASTA national convention in Seattle, Feb. 14-17.

He said he felt surprised initially at receiving one of the association's highest annually awarded honors and later felt "deeply honored."

Ironically, he said he might never have developed his level of cello skill if he hadn't grown frustrated with playing the violin.

"My father is a violinist and an old-fashioned European, so we had a lesson every Saturday morning," Hladky said. "He made me stand for my lessons. I was about 11 years old and as

kids talk with their parents I said, 'How is it you get to sit and I have to stand? I'd like to play something where I'd get to sit down.'"

"One day he walked in holding a cello," he said. "I took to it like a duck takes to water. That backfired somewhat. Now I get tired of sitting."

Hladky came from a "musical family" and began performing music at age four. "I've been exposed to music all my life," he said. "My parents took me to hear all the great artists when I was young and it made an undeniable impression on me."

Since that time, he has performed professionally and instructed students on the cello. This year marks his 40th year teaching college level cello and string bass, he said. He has taught at the University for 31 years.

As a professional, he has served as principal cellist with the Eugene Symphony, the Eastman Chamber Orchestra, the Oregon Bach Festival, the Peter Britt Festival and orchestras in Rochester, New York,

Columbus, Ohio, and Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Currently, he performs with the Oregon Mozart Players and is an active recitalist.

Despite the hours of practice and the amount of dedication needed to master the instrument, Hladky has done just that. He said music is a valuable part of his life.

"Music is almost a religion for me," he said.

Hladky's cello teachers included Luigi Silva of the Eastman and Juilliard Schools of Music and his father, Frank Hladky. At Eastman, Hladky received the performer's certificate, a masters and doctorate of Musical Arts degrees.

He and three other University music professors will perform Feb. 25 as part of the Faculty Artist Series.

The group, which includes Lawrence Maves on the violin, Leslie Straka on the viola and Barbara Palmer on the piano, will perform pieces by Beethoven, Martinu and Schumann. The concert will be held at 8 p.m. in Beall Hall.



Photo by Eric Evans

University cello professor Robert Hladky, who has taught the cello on a college level for 40 years, has been recognized nationally for his outstanding skills as a teacher and performer.

Campus area groups hold Ash Wednesday services

MEETINGS

Students for the Ethical Treatment of Animals will meet at 4:30 p.m. in EMU Cedar Room F.

Rainforest Action group will meet at 4:30 p.m. in the Surviv-

al Center, EMU Suite 1.

Latin American Support Committee will meet at 5:30 p.m. in EMU Cedar Room D.

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Lesbian and bisexual women

artists and architects will exhibit work and hold an informational meeting at 5:30 p.m. in EMU Cedar Room A.

AISEC will meet at 7 p.m. in 310 Gilbert. All interested students are welcome.

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will meet from 7 to 9 p.m. in EMU Cedar Room D.

College Republicans will meet at 5:30 p.m. in EMU Century Room E.

EMU Board budget hearings will be held in the EMU Board Room this afternoon. SARO/Cultural Forum budget will be heard at 4 p.m., and Club Sports will be heard at 5.

A '50s dance workshop will be given at 8:30 p.m. in 302 Gerlinger Hall.

Divorce, child custody and adoption are the lecture topics to be discussed at the People's Law School from 7 to 9 p.m. in 129 Law School.

MISCELLANEOUS

Rafting down the Colorado River and in Costa Rica is the topic of a video presentation to be made at 12:30 p.m. in EMU Room 23.

Student Senate grievance table will be in the EMU main entrance from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Video showing on the annual American Peace Test in Nevada will be at 7 p.m. in EMU Cedar Room C.

Ash Wednesday services will be in the Newman Center, 1850 Emerald, at 12:15 p.m., 5:30 p.m. and 9 p.m. Distribution of ashes will be at each service. Ash Wednesday services will also be held by Episcopal Campus Ministries at 1329 E. 19th at 5:30 p.m., and by United Methodist Ministry at the Wesley Center, 1236 Kincaid, at 7 p.m.

SPEAKERS & WORKSHOPS

A lecture on Ethiopian culture and contemporary life will be presented by students Semen Zewdie and Tsige Abebe at 4:30 p.m. in the University Museum of Natural History. The talk is the first in a series of lectures to be given by international students.

A career workshop sponsored by Psi Chi honor society will be given at 5 p.m. Check the Psi Chi board in Straub Hall for location.

"How to have a successful PT/OT graduate school interview" is the topic of a lecture to be given at 5:30 p.m. in EMU Cedar Room C. Guest speaker will be Dave Fukumoto of the University of Arizona PT admissions board.

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