

## **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

### **DAR AWARDS MUSICIAN / HISTORIAN FOR MAKING MUSIC WITH GLASS**

JANUARY 18, 2007 - LOS ANGELES, CA -- **William Zeitler**, classically-trained musician, historian and the only full-time player of the rare **GLASS ARMONICA**, will receive the prestigious 2007 **Daughters of the American Revolution's Medal of Honor** on February 19, 2007 for his commitment and efforts to reintroduce the 'almost endangered' instrument.

**The Glass Armonica**, an ethereal sounding instrument consisting of 44 quartz glass bowls turning on a motor-driven spindle, was invented by Ben Franklin in 1761. It had nearly disappeared from the music world before Zeitler took on the job of resurrecting this beautiful instrument.

Approximately 12 years ago, Zeitler rediscovered the rare instrument, had one custom built and taught himself to play. He is the only musician known to play and compose for the Glass Armonica full time.

His book on the history of the Glass Armonica will be released this year and will be the only book in English on the subject. The compilation of research will make it the authoritative resource for information regarding the history of the Glass Armonica and the people surrounding it.

**The DAR Medal of Honor** is given to native born Americans who have shown extraordinary qualities of leadership, trustworthiness, service, and patriotism. The recipient must have made unusual and lasting contributions to American heritage by giving of himself/herself to his/her community, state, country, and fellow man.

Past recipients include Rudolf Giuliani, Tom Brokaw, Bernard Kerik, Senator Robert Dole, Patti Page and many more.

William will be receiving the award from the Mojave Chapter of the DAR on February 19, 2007 at the Four Points Sheraton, 1500 South Raymond Street (& 91 Fwy) Fullerton, California, at 11:00am. California State Regent, Anne Lampman will be among the members presenting the Medal of Honor.

William Zeitler is a composer, musician and historian who earned his music degree from the California Institute of the Arts. His company, Glassical Music, will begin production of new instruments in 2007 allowing Zeitler to increase public awareness through performances and educational programs. William resides in Riverside, CA.

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