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**THE BRIGHTEST AND MOST MUSICALLY DRAMATIC
ARE SOUGHT IN RESIDENTIAL HOLIDAY DÉCOR CONTEST**

Contest Offers New Year's Weekend Trip, Gift Cards for Winners

(Cleveland, Ohio – October 13, 2008) – Take one part Trans-Siberian Orchestra (TSO) holiday music. Add a generous dose of outdoor holiday lights. Mix meticulously with a homemade or store-bought computer program and animate the ingredients. Set the finished product on your house and yard and what do you have?

A holiday light show set to music, or a Symphony in Lights, and an entry in a nine-city contest seeking the best multi-media home holiday light display. The contest begins on Wednesday, November 1 and extends through Friday, December 12. Winners will be selected by a panel of judges, including a representative of Trans-Siberian Orchestra, and will be announced on December 22.

The first Symphony in Lights was created in Mason, Ohio, when holiday light hobbyist Carson Williams conceived a fantastically creative light show on his home, set to the music of the Trans-Siberian Orchestra (TSO). It made its way across the United States via the Internet and caught the attention of *The Today Show* and developer Forest City.

Forest City was so inspired by Carson's creativity, that the company partnered with Williams and brought in professional designer John Carter from Parker 3-D to create commercial-sized, choreographed lighting exhibits set to the music of TSO for first one, then two, and this year a third outdoor shopping center – in the Denver, Chicago and Tampa metropolitan areas respectively.

This year, thirteen Forest City-owned properties in nine markets are inviting residents to get in on the fun as Forest City sponsors a competition seeking the best multi-media home holiday displays, a la Carson Williams. The nine markets include Charleston, WV, Tampa, FL, Anaheim, CA, San Diego, CA, Denver, CO, Buffalo, NY, Pittsburgh, PA, Cleveland, OH and Chicago, IL.

The winning display will win prizes including a \$300 gift card to the Forest City center closest to the participant. The grand prize is a weekend trip for two to Chicago, transportation and accommodations provided, to see one of the last Trans-Siberian Orchestra concerts of the season.

For those overwhelmed by the feat of decorating one's home with lights syncopated to music, it's not as difficult or costly as it seems, at least not anymore. There are a few new products on the market that make the creation of such a display a lot more straightforward. A little website research offers helpful tips and suggestions including:

<http://www.wikihow.com/Make-Your-Christmas-Lights-Flash-to-Music>

<http://www.planetchristmas.com/index.htm>

<http://lightorama.com/>

http://www.hammacher.com/publish/73173.asp?source=CJ&cm_ven=CJ&cm_pla=1492714&cm_ite=Christmas+Carol+Outdoor+Light+and+Sound+Show&cm_cat=1414665

Entries must be uploaded to www.symphonylights.com to specifications indicated on the web site, no later than December 12 at 11:59 p.m. Eastern Standard Time. Representatives will physically verify each display. See www.symphonylights.com for additional rules and requirements.

Trans-Siberian Orchestra was formed in 1996 by Paul O'Neill, and long time friends and collaborators Robert Kinkel and Jon Oliva. Trans-Siberian Orchestra delivers music with great emotional impact, ultimately transcending artificial limitations, mixing classical, rock, Broadway and R & B and featuring the very best singers and musicians in the industry to bring each song to life. For more information, visit www.trans-siberian.com.

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