

FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear colleagues:

The CAML/ACBM board has met twice: on October 5th at the University of Toronto in the new Faculty of Music Library, and on March 1 by means of a conference call. With full attendance, both meetings proved to be most productive.

A long-range planning committee has been struck, chaired by Debra Ann Begg. The committee will examine a variety of issues, including CAML's goals and objectives, standards of documentation used across committees, and how to make the best use of volunteer contributions at a time when our members' professional careers are demanding more and more of their time.

The Publicity Committee, chaired by Daniel Noël, has been very actively planning ways to increase CAML's visibility and image, with the ultimate goals of increased membership and involvement. The committee needs the assistance of the entire membership to promote CAML and generate expanded activity.

In an ongoing effort to better document CAML's current status, Lorna Young has taken on the task of rewriting and updating the Procedures Manual, the accompanying document to the Constitution, which is also close to ratification. The Board has reviewed her draft revision, and also an update of the Travel subsidies Guidelines.

A big vote of thanks goes out to Cheryl Osborn and Stephen Willis for their efforts in submitting our application to Consumer and Corporate Affairs for the ratification of our new constitution and name change. The documents have all been delivered to the appropriate agencies and their decisions have been positive.

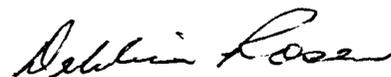
Plans for the 1992 meeting in Charlottetown are in place. The dates for CAML's conference coincide with those of CUMS and of other related associations, for bibliography and folklore for example, of interest to our membership. There is a variety of tours and events at Mount Allison

University planned for the final day of the conference as well. With such a beautiful venue as the Maritimes, CAML '92 promises to be a wonderful and stimulating get-together.

In other conference news, Alison Hall has kindly consented to be the official representative from CAML/ACBM at the IAML conference in Frankfurt this summer. I have sent an official invitation on our behalf to host the 1994 IAML meeting in Ottawa. Veslemoy Heintz, Secretary General of IAML, has graciously accepted the invitation on behalf of her board. Alison Hall and her committee are now busy planning local arrangements for this huge undertaking.

Plans for presenting a session at CLA 1992 in Winnipeg have been cancelled. Rising and new costs, and low attendance at recent CAML presentations were factors in this decision. However, in my letter to CLA, I emphasized that we do hope to participate again in future years, that I felt confident that our contribution to CLA was a valuable one, and that we hoped to turn our emphasis more to the technical aspects of music librarianship when offering sessions in the future, in order to attract more interest.

Once again, my thanks to all members of the Board and of the various and many committees for their continued commitment to our organization. I look forward to our annual meeting in Charlottetown!



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