

FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear colleagues:

My two years as President of CAML have been very rewarding. I have learned a great deal about the running and organization of an Association. However, the most enjoyable and meaningful aspect of this experience has been the opportunity to communicate and to work with my fellow music librarians both nationally and internationally. I am more aware and appreciative of the time and dedication which our volunteer Board, Newsletter editor, committee members and conference participants willingly contribute to the success of our organization. Because CAML is a small association, its existence and strength depend upon an active membership which will vote, attend and participate in conferences, serve on the Board and recruit new members.

If you are interested in participating in CAML in any way, please let us know. Although it is sometimes expensive to attend meetings due to stringent administrative budgets, why not consider it a good personal investment in your own career. You will absorb new ideas and make invaluable contacts and friends. One can even have fun! Please plan to attend our joint IASA/ARSC/CAML Conference which will take place from May 7-10 in Hull, Quebec at the impressive new Canadian Museum of Civilization. An objective of this joint conference of the International Association of Sound Archives, the Association of Recorded Sound Collections and CAML is to promote a better understanding of archives, libraries and documentation centres. It will be a unique

opportunity to strengthen the co-operation and encourage the exchange of ideas between individuals and institutions from different parts of the world who represent various but related fields. The program emphasizes technology, technological research, and research in Canadian music. Tours have been arranged of the Moving Image, Data and Audio Conservation Division, National Library of Canada, the Music Division, National Library of Canada, as well as a sight-seeing tour of Ottawa. We will visit an exhibition at the National Museum of Science and Technology, "Beyond the Printed Word..." and conclude the conference with a farewell party and Ottawa river cruise. Registration packages should be out by early February. I hope that you will be able to attend.

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