

*THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN SCHOOL OF MUSIC*

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*Office of the Associate Dean  
for Academic Affairs*

Dr. Charlotte Heth  
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Ithaca, New York, 14853

Dear Dr. Heth:

I cannot really ask you to accept an apology for the terribly late timing of this letter of commitment to you regarding our previously discussed plan for you to be a visiting Professor of Music to our School, but I hope you will try. It had been planned and understood that you would be written to by no later than the middle of last month. By a series of omissions, it just was not done. I am thoroughly embarrassed by this delay.

I do hope that you will be able to come to us as per our plan, beginning September 28, 1988 under the auspices of the Martin Luther King/Cesar Chavez/Rosa Parks Visiting Professor Program. The specific financial details of your visit are as follows:

The University of Michigan will defray your travel expenses to and from Detroit Metropolitan Airport, and will provide necessary ground transportation while here. Your expenses for Lodging and Meals will also be offset during your one week stay, and you will be given an honorarium of \$250 per day for the five day period (up through October 4, 1988), or a total of \$1250.00.

We have planned that you will talk to our students in Ethnomusicology, in American Music, in Music Education and in American Studies. The American Indians student group will wish to host you at a dinner meeting, and the Minority Music, Drama and Dance student organization will also be anxious to meet and talk with you. A seminar, open to the general University community of students and faculty is also planned, which will be followed by a reception. A specified schedule for each day is being finalized (we have just begun classes for the Fall Term) and will be sent to you within the week.

My secretary, Ms. Faye Burton, will call you within a few days to give you specific details concerning your airline ticket and your place of lodging.

We are anxiously looking forward to your being with us for this brief period of time, and hope that the untimely delay in your receiving this communication has not totally dampened your willingness to come to us. What has been so unfortunately missing in our timeliness of correspondence to you these many weeks, we will try to make up for by our hospitality and enthusiasm during your stay.

I look forward to your response and visit.

Sincerely,

Willis Patterson  
Professor of Music, and  
Associate Dean