

Letter from the President

by Mara Helmuth

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Dear ICMA members,

I want to thank you and the board of directors for the honor of serving as President of the International Computer Music Association, after holding positions as director for the Americas, newsletter editor and Vice President for Conferences. ICMA is distinguished in the field because of its international scope and its depth in presenting both current music and research. The conferences have provided so many stimulating musical experiences as well as thought-provoking paper sessions, panels and Array discussions. I am happy to contribute in this new role.

Perry Cook, our retiring President as of January, deserves our greatest appreciation. His contributions as President from 2004-2007 resulted in successful conferences each year in Miami, Barcelona, New Orleans (despite Katrina!) and Copenhagen. We hope to see him every year.

Current projects include the extensive

revision of the ICMA website. Toine Heuvelmans, Margaret Schedel, Gary Scavone, Chrissy Nanou, and Hans Timmermans, as well as other directors, have been involved with this project.

Another project is the sponsorship of member publication projects. In the fall, before accepting this officer position, I was part of a group of women interested in putting out a DVD of works by lesbian composers. We were excited to work with ICMA as our non-profit sponsor to obtain a grant for publication from Open Meadows. Full funding for the publication of the DVD has since been obtained, and the release by Kristine Burns and Colby Leider at Everglade (<http://www.everglade.org/>) is expected within a year. This type of sponsorship is beneficial both to the members involved and to the organization, which takes a percentage of the grant income for its sponsorship. Other members with such projects are invited to contact board members regarding non-profit organization sponsorship.

As always, future conference sites are of interest to the organization. If you are considering hosting an ICMC, please contact VP for Conferences Tae Hong Park (park@tulane.edu) and me (mara.helmuth@uc.edu) for the new revised guidelines.

If you have any questions, comments, or ideas about what ICMA should be doing, please contact me, a board member, or the appropriate Vice President for your continent. I hope to see you all at ICMC 2008 Aug. 24-29. We are looking forward to a tremendous conference at the Sonic Arts Research Centre at Queen's University, Belfast.

Sincerely,

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Letter from the Editors

The Editors of Array are looking for interested persons to write articles and reviews for upcoming issues. The next issue will be coming out in the spring of 2009 and a printed version with an ISDN will be available for purchase. If you would be willing to write something for Array, have feedback about this issue or ideas for future issues, please email us: arrayjournal@gmail.com. In your email, please give us your name, mailing address, and any particular areas of interest, so that we can send you any appropriate materials. If you have materials you would like reviewed please send to:

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If you write a CD or book review, you will be able to keep your review copy free of charge. We look forward to hearing from you; the success of Array depends on input from its readers.

Thank you,
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Margaret Schedel