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September 12, 2025

Katie Ebert, Band Director  
**Cuthbertson Middle School**  
1520 Cuthbertson Road  
Waxhaw, NC 28173

Dear Mrs. Ebert,

Music Celebrations International is pleased to extend an official invitation to the **CUTHBERTSON MIDDLE SCHOOL HONOR BAND** to performer in the National Band & Orchestra Festival on March 16, 2026 in the world's premiere concert hall – **NEW YORK CITY'S CARNEGIE HALL**. This exclusive performance will be one of the many musical events taking place in 2026 in New York City.

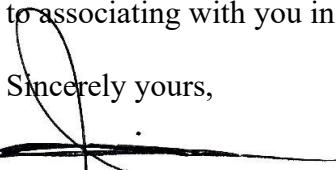
By pursuing this invitation, you are offering your musicians an opportunity to experience:

- ★ The distinction of performing in the internationally-renowned Carnegie Hall.
- ★ Experiencing New York City, one of the great cosmopolitan and cultural capitals of the world.
- ★ Unparalleled musical and educational opportunities and memories that will last a lifetime.

Music Celebrations International personnel have been organizing concert tours of exceptional quality throughout the world for over 30 years. Our professional and experienced staff will handle all of your travel arrangements and accommodations down to the last detail. Rest assured that the prices we offer cover the cost of everything that will enable your group to have a successful and memorable concert tour experience.

I am very excited about the musical stimulation this tour will undoubtedly provide — just the kinds of experiences that raise the level of musicianship and dedication to the performing arts for all participants. This is the life-changing focus of Music Celebrations! Please call on us for any reason. We look forward to associating with you in this special performance opportunity.

Sincerely yours,



John P. Wiscombe  
President

**250 CONCERT SERIES IN NEW YORK CITY**  
**MUSIC CELEBRATIONS INTERNATIONAL**  
**Cost Estimate**  
**CUTHBERTSON MIDDLE SCHOOL HONOR BAND**

The following cost estimates for MCI's suggested tour itinerary are based on the number of paying participants in each 54-seat motorcoach. These tour suggestions represent a beginning point for further discussion, customization, and negotiation.

<b>3 nights / 4 days by <u>chartered motorcoach</u></b>		<i>50-52 Paying (+2 free)</i>	<i>45-49 Paying (+2 free)</i>	<i>40-44 Paying (+2 free)</i>	<i>35-39 Paying (+1 free)</i>	<i>30-34 Paying (+1 free)</i>
<b>New Jersey Hotel</b>	Chartered Motorcoach Transportation	\$1,768	\$1,823	\$1,889	\$1,973	\$2,094
<b>Manhattan Hotel</b>	Chartered Motorcoach Transportation	\$2,091	\$2,144	\$2,211	\$2,297	\$2,411

<b>Non-Performer Cost Reduction</b>	\$165 reduction per person
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*Transportation (airfare and/or chartered bus) is priced as of September 12, 2025, and is subject to change. Airline surcharges for weekend (Fri, Sat, or Sun) and holiday travel may apply. Fuel surcharges for coaches may apply.*

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Please complete your registration on our web portal at <https://portal.musiccelebrations.com> and submit your \$1500 non-refundable deposit to Music Celebrations International so that we can immediately begin work on the logistical and performance arrangements for your concert tour. We'll contact you within a few days to confirm your receipt of this material and address any questions you might have. In the meantime, you are welcome to contact us toll free at 1-800-395-2036. We look forward to associating with you in this special performance opportunity.

**WE WILL MATCH OR BEAT ANY OTHER SIMILAR OFFER YOU MAY BE CONSIDERING!**

These items are subject to negotiation. For instance, we can re-quote based on less centrally located hotels, eliminate some dinners, eliminate entrance fees, adjust the free trip ratio, etc., to reduce the overall cost.

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**Cost Inclusions & Exclusions**  
**CUTHBERTSON MIDDLE SCHOOL HONOR BAND**

**COST INCLUSIONS**

- ❖ **CONCERT ARRANGEMENTS:** All concert and festival arrangements made my National Concerts.
- ❖ **COACH TRANSPORTATION:** Round-trip transportation by deluxe motorcoach from **Waxhaw, NC** based on afternoon arrival. Extended hours or overnight driving may incur additional charges for relief drivers.
- ❖ **ACCOMMODATIONS:** Hotel accommodations, based on quad occupancy. Manhattan hotel prices are subject to space and availability.

		<u>Triple Supplement</u>	<u>Double Supplement</u>	<u>Single Supplement</u>
3 nights / 4 days	New Jersey Hotel:	\$74	\$202	\$581
	<i>Manhattan Hotel:</i>	<i>\$129</i>	<i>\$355</i>	<i>\$1,031</i>

- ❖ **MEALS:** Two meals per day (as noted in the Tour itinerary) including breakfast and dinner. Please note that breakfast is not included on the day of arrival and dinner is not included on the day of departure.
- ❖ **INDIVIDUAL ACCOUNTING:** MCI will handle the accounting and payment processing for each individual on tour.
- ❖ **LAND ONLY REDUCTION:** Five (5) pax will be provide a \$200 reduction as a “Land Only” option where they will only be on the bus in New York City and not to and from Cuthbertson Middle School.
- ❖ **TOUR MANAGEMENT:** One full-time, professionally licensed Tour Manager on each motorcoach who meets the group upon arrival and remains until departure to guide all excursions, maximize time use, and enhance the educational value.
- ❖ **ENTRANCE FEES:** Entrances are included to all sights listed on the Tour itinerary.
- ❖ **FREE TRIPS:** One free trip (based on double occupancy) for each 20 paying participants; i.e., the 21<sup>st</sup>, 42<sup>nd</sup>, etc. participant travels free of charge.
- ❖ **GRATUITIES:** Tips and taxes are paid to Tour Managers, coach drivers, and hotel personnel.
- ❖ **LIABILITY INSURANCE:** \$5M MCI Tour Liability Insurance coverage. Only MCI-arranged services (motorcoach, flights, guides, hotels, etc.) will be covered under MCI’s Tour Liability Insurance.

**COST EXCLUSIONS**

- ❖ Meals not mentioned in the tour itinerary.
- ❖ Overnight hotel security.
- ❖ Instrument and/or music stand rental, if needed.
- ❖ Concert programs, if needed.
- ❖ Travel Insurance.
- ❖ Transportation to and from the departure airport.
- ❖ Airline luggage fees.
- ❖ Difference between current and actual costs for airline taxes and the estimated fuel surcharge, if applicable.