

# The Ohio State University School of Music

*Dear friend,*

I hope this note finds you well! I have been given the opportunity through **Music Celebrations International** to conduct with my colleague **Dr. William Skoog** of Bowling Green State University next summer [2008] in the second annual **International Choral Festival in Lucerne, Switzerland**. We are personally inviting you to take part in this exciting event, along with members of the Bowling Green State Collegiate Chorale, singers from the Ohio State University, and other choral organizations. Festival dates are July 1 – July 5, 2008.

Imagine taking your singers to Europe and touring in other exciting destinations, then coming together in Lucerne, Switzerland, and performing in one of Europe's most spectacular new concert halls named the KKL (Kultur-und-Kongresszentrum). This hall is already being hailed as the best in Western Europe. All singers will combine for a week of rehearsals and performances, presenting concerts with fine European orchestral players. We plan to include several American works. In addition to rehearsals, each day will include exciting and interesting activities that will allow participants to experience the unique characteristics of Switzerland.

I truly hope you and your choir will seriously consider participating in what I'm sure will be a moment we can share for years to come. This promises to be a "once-in-a-lifetime experience!"

Best regards,

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