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Description

This collection contains material pertaining to the life, career, and activities of Henri Temianka, violin virtuoso, conductor, music teacher, and author. Materials include correspondence, concert programs and flyers, music scores, photographs, and books.

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Dear Mr. Temianka,

I greatly appreciated receiving your kind note. I hope you've enjoyed the book about Paul Tortelier. Thank you also for your correction of "torteldier". I'll bring it to Paul's attention, and we'll make the change should there be a further edition.

As I mentioned when we met, I'm planning to return with my family to live in America, probably in the fall of 1988. One place I'm considering is Seattle. There may be some possible conducting opportunities there, either with the Youth Symphony or with the Northwest Chamber Orchestra. I've been asked that, together with reviews, recordings, etc., I provide some personal musical references. I've taken the liberty of giving your name, in case they may wish to contact you by letter or telephone. I apologize for troubling you in this way; I hope it's all right. I'll be very grateful for your assistance.

I plan to visit Los Angeles sometime next year, and it would be a great pleasure for me if we could meet again. My wife Sara has read your book and was absolutely enchanted. (Although Sara no longer pursues a professional career, she was a very fine singer — a student of Lotte Lehmann and Elena Gerhardt.) She would be delighted to make your acquaintance.

Meanwhile, with many thanks again,

I send warm greetings.

Yours sincerely.

David Blum