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*Dear Henri*

I have long wanted to invite my most admired colleagues, in this case the renowned and performing ones, to spend a little time at my School. If you are willing to come, it goes without saying that I have no intention of exploiting my colleagues and you will receive appropriate remuneration.

If you do agree to come for a period of one to two, or three to four weeks, as schedules on both sides permit, you will find a very keen group of young people and staff who have achieved a high level of musical culture as well as a high level of performance. There is, however, the quality of personal incision, the ability to be slightly larger than life and to project into the auditorium with intensity, which I believe lies very largely among those 'monsters', the virtuosi. This quality I would like to stimulate among those few, for they have to be born, who would be worthy and keen to work intensively for a limited period for one or another of our very special guests.

It is not that I value in any way the soloist above the member of a quartet, the leader of an orchestra, a wonderful teacher, or a musicologist: it is simply that we are cultivating all these various aspects of the string players' capabilities and I would like, in all modesty, to ask you in particular to help me on this score. Unfortunately my own time does not allow more than I am asking you, that is a few short periods a year.

*Love to you both  
& Au Revoir  
Yehudi*

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