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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 David, Peggy, Neil, Marjorie, and Grant:

The bonds of friendship that have been so precious to us since our four summers at Banff, deserve more than a perfunctory Christmas card at this time. In writing to you in this manner, the memory of Joyce and her heroic struggle lingers lovingly.

A brief account of the Temianka activities in the recent past and future must include my recent master classes at my Alma Mater, the Curtis Institute in Philadelphia, where my old Banff students Alison Dalton, Desmond Hoebig, and Rob Weir participated. Janos Starker will grace my concluding concert with the California Chamber Symphony at Royce Hall UCLA on April 8, 1979. I am deeply involved as artistic director in two new music festivals, one under the sponsorship of the Sierra Arts Foundation at Lake Tahoe in September 1979, the other celebrating the centenary of the Inglenook Winery in the Napa Valley during June 1979, with a number of events preceding it throughout the year. In between, Emmy and I will escape for two Royal Viking cruises, one around Italy and Yugoslavia in May, the other to Alaska in July.

Emmy is doing some brilliant sculpture, David is in his senior year as an honor student at Berkeley, and our oldest son is engaged in his medical practice and has acquired a house in Palos Verdes. Stephanie Zimbalist, who spent a summer in Banff, as you will recall, is now making a spectacular career on television. On the downside, our house has been burglarized and we have installed a wrought iron grill, the equivalent of a medieval moat. The brick wall which collapsed in the rains last winter, has been replaced by a structure which friends returning from Red China compare to the Great Wall. We try to keep informed of events at Banff, and Emmy and I send you all our undiminished affection and warmest good wishes for a happy 1979.

Yours ever,

Henri Temianka

P.S. David, have you finished the book you were working on this past year?

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