Canadian Content at the Vancouver MLA Conference

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The final version of the program for the Music Library Association's annual conference in Vancouver in February 2005 has not yet been posted on its Web site; it will be available in December. But a quick survey of what is already on the site shows there are a number of sessions where Canadians (including CAML members) are making presentations. The conference opens on Thursday, Feb. 17, and that afternoon Brenda Muir of Library and Archives Canada will be one of the presenters at the Second Plenary Session on "Reorganization and the Music Librarian." Later that same afternoon, Apollonia Lang Steele of the University of Calgary and composer Moshe Denberg will be presenting at the Jewish Music Roundtable.

Canadian content also figures in a session entitled "Electronic Resources on Parade" on Friday morning, Feb. 18. Alisa Rata of Southern Methodist University and Keith Chapman of Rice University will discuss "Canadian Sheet Music Databases." Brian Lamb of the University of British Columbia will be participating in a session later that morning of the Information Sharing Subcommittee on "Social Media and the Music Librarian: Teaching an Old Blog New Tricks." In the afternoon, William Bruneau (who recently retired from the University of British Columbia) and David Gordon Duke

(Vancouver City College) will present a paper on "Creative Politics and High Art: Insights from the Musical Archives of Jean Coulthard, Violet Archer and Barbara Pentland" for the joint roundtables on Women in Music and Contemporary Music.

Finally, on Saturday afternoon, Feb. 19, composer **Michael Conway Baker** will be discussing "Film Music in Canada" at the Film Music Roundtable/Musical Theater Roundtable.

Mention should also be made of some of the tours, meetings, and receptions. Prior to the conference, a First Nations Cultural Tour will be offered on Tuesday afternoon, Feb. 15, and again on Wednesday afternoon. A tour of the City of Vancouver is available on Wednesday morning and an organ crawl is scheduled for the afternoon. Tours of the Vancouver Public Library will be offered on Wednesday and Friday afternoons. On Thursday evening, a CAML "business meeting" (probably the CAML Annual General Meeting) is scheduled to run from 7 to 9 p.m. The Local Arrangements Committee is also hosting a reception at the Vancouver Public Library on Friday from 6 to 8 p.m. The conference closes on Saturday with the banquet at 8 p.m.