Bill Sgrazzutti, as the official moderator of the list, approves your subscription and adds you to the list. Please note that your subscription is sent to the listserver management address:

LISTSERV@LISTSERV.UCALGARY.CA,

not the specific CANMUS-L list address:

CANMUS-L@LISTSERV.UCALGARY.CA. After you have been added to the list, you will receive a copy of the welcome file in your mailbox. This will tell you a little more about how to use the listserver. for example, how to send mail to the list, and keep copies of your own messages. There are also instructions about retrieving archive files. Although there are no archive files at the moment, this has the potential to be one of the most useful applications of the listserver. For example, all messages sent to the listserver are saved and from time to time placed in an archive file accessible to all subscribers. This archive function will also allow us to mount other files for ready access. For example, files containing the minutes of CAML's Annual General Meeting, information about Canadian copyright law or lists of special collections in Canadian libraries could be stored here.

This utility can provide an inexpensive and readily accessible alternative to traditional methods of publication. The CAML Publication and Technology Committees are exploring the possibilities. Notices

regarding newly mounted files and their retrieval will be posted to CANMUS-L and announced in the CAML Newsletter.

CANMUS-L is now ready to use. If you have any questions or feel hopelessly confused, don't be shy ... ask for help. Bill (sgrazzut@acs.ucalgary.ca) and I (ilwyber@acs.ucalgary.ca) will be glad to help. Send us an e-mail message or even call us on the old-fashioned telephone ((403)220-6162). Let me assure you that no question or problem will be ignored. We have all made mistakes when it comes to new technology and since a problem you are experiencing may not be your fault, please ask us to investigate. To tell you the truth, the main reason why Bill and I get to look like such systems specialists is almost entirely due to the support, guidance and enthusiasm of Academic Computing Services at the University of Calgary. Just to highlight the commitment of these folks, I think you should know that they are providing the listserver software and its maintenance free of charge to CAML.

Now that you know about this wonderful new listserver, I expect all of you to make a beeline for your terminals and subscribe to CANMUS-L. Help make CANMUS-L a vital new resource in the Canadian musical community.

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