AMELIA ISLAND CHAMBER MUSIC FESTIVAL, INC.

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April 23, 2002

Nassau County Courthouse C/o Chip Oxley, Clerk of the Court 191 Nassau Place Road Yulee, FL 32034

RE: Amelia Island Chamber Music Festival

Dear Chip:

We are thrilled that you have agreed to allow us the use the historic Nassau County Courthouse in the inaugural chamber music festival season here on Amelia Island. With the Festival less than two months away, it is important that all details are agreed to so that we may both proceed without any last minute surprises. We understand that the newly renovated County Court House is used for your organization's various purposes; with proper and advance planning on both sides the activities of the Chamber Music Festival (including necessary rehearsal(s) a day or two before the scheduled performance) will cause minimal interruption to your usual activities.

We have lined up an outstanding assembly of world-class chamber musicians to perform at the Festival, and they are especially thrilled that they will be performing in beautiful places of historic significance. The musicians are particularly excited about performing at the newly renovated Nassau County Courthouse. We look for this performance to be one of the high points of the Festival. The natural beauty and historic significance of our island, like the unique beauty of the County Courthouse, is a rare treasure and is a perfect setting for chamber music. I am confident you will not be disappointed that you agreed to be part of this Festival.

You may be interested in knowing that this chamber music festival on Amelia Island may well be the first live chamber music experience for a substantial segment of our audience. We are making every effort to make this festival a success, not only for our pure love of the music, but also because we believe that the future of the music is uncertain without outreach efforts to introduce chamber music to new audiences and to offer master classes to student musicians in locations outside of major metropolitan areas. However, our motivation to present a festival is but one small step; without the generous contribution of individuals, businesses, churches, and groups like you, this inaugural festival simply could not happen. For your generosity in agreeing to the use of the County Courthouse for the performance and rehearsals we are grateful beyond words.

Because we are not professional presenters and because this is our first festival, I want to clarify a few matters regarding use of the facility for the festival to avoid confusion and misunderstanding later. Please let me know if you are not in agreement with any of the following:

Place of Performance: Nassau County Courthouse, Fernandina Beach Date of Use for Performance: June 5, 2002

Date of Use for Rehearsal: as may be agreed upon, but generally about 2-3 days prior to the performance. Please specify any day of week or time of day restrictions or other matters we should be aware of in scheduling the rehearsal with musicians. Please specify in writing on sheet attached.

Compensation: gratis

Festival Contact: Lorna Meehan. Telephone number: 904-261-8431 **Facility Contact**: Mr. Chip Oxley, Clerk of the Court 904-321-5700

About Us: The Amelia Island Chamber Music Festival Inc. is a newly organized Florida not for profit-corporation whose mission is to bring world-renowned classical musicians to Amelia Island to perform chamber music and to participate in master classes and other educational opportunities during an annual two-week festival of music. The inaugural festival will occur during the first two weeks of June 2002. We ask you to understand that we are not professional presenters and we are learning as we go. We appreciate any suggestions to make this and future festivals a success for the community as well as the audience. Of course, we will indemnify and hold harmless the Nassau County Courthouse for loss or damage occasioned by our negligence or wrongdoing relative to use of this facility for this Festival and look to the Nassau County Courthouse to indemnify and hold us harmless for any loss or damage occasioned by their negligence or wrongdoing relative to use of the facility for this Festival. Please understand that the musicians who will be performing at the festival are independent contractors and are neither employees nor agents of the Amelia Island Chamber Music Festival Inc.

If you have any additional requirements for us, we ask you to specify them in writing and attach to this letter. This is the best way to avoid any misunderstanding or disappointment later. Of course, we believe with advanced planning and dialog problems will be avoided; however, in the event some problem does arise, we expect to work together to reach an amicable resolution. Promptly contact me if any problem arises, before or during the festival and I will personally see that it is satisfactorily resolved.

We sincerely appreciate the Nassau County Courthouse' agreement to participate in the inaugural Chamber Music Festival this June. We look forward to making this festival a memorable and successful event for the community.

Kindly return one original of this letter after you sign both. You may keep one original letter for your records. If you attach any sheets to this letter, kindly initial

each sheet and send both letters and attached sheets back to me so that I may review and initial each sheet attached. I will return one letter to you.

Very truly yours,

Lorna Meehan Facilities Coordinator Amelia Island Chamber Music Festival Inc. A Florida not for profit-corporation Telephone: 904-261-8431

Agreed to by:

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 name)
 (date)

 Nassau County Courthouse
 (date)

Number of sheets attached to letter:__1__

ATTEST:

J.M. "Chip" Oxley, Jr. Ex-Officio Clerk

Approved as to form by the County Attorney: Michael S. Mullin

- 1. The Amelia Island Chamber Music Festival, Inc., agrees to hold Nassau County, its officers, employees and agents and the Clerk of the Court, J. M. "Chip" Oxley, Jr., harmless from any and all claims and liability by members in attendance, including musicians and assistants as a result of the performance or rehearsal in the historic Nassau County Courthouse. The festival's hold harmless agreement includes their agreement to reimburse the county or the Clerk for any and all attorney's fees.
- 2. The Amelia Island Chamber Music Festival, Inc., agrees to abide by all Nassau County regulations that are applicable to county owned buildings, specifically there shall be no serving or consumption of alcoholic beverages in the historic Courthouse.
- 3. The Amelia Island Chamber Musical Festival, Inc., acknowledges that their agents, whose signature appears herein has the authority to sign and obligate the corporation. The signature of the agent confirms the authority and the acknowledgement of the Board of Directors.

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