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Dear MTMW Colleague,

With this letter we extend our warmest invitation to attend this year’s meeting of Music Theory Midwest, to be held May 12-13, 2006 at Ball State University in Muncie, Indiana. Our keynote speaker will be Gregory Proctor (Ohio State University), and he will speak on “Real and Apparent Simplicity in Musical Explanation, Occam’s Razor and Music-theoretic Wormholes.”

The program committee, chaired by Julian Hook (Indiana University), has selected a very interesting group of papers. Topics range from a session on Medieval and Renaissance Music to four sessions on Twentieth-century Music featuring composers such as Copland, Bartok, Aperghis, Ginastera, Rochberg, Crumb, Schoenberg, and Debussy. Temporal issues are discussed in two sessions: Time and Unity in Tonal Music; and Brahms and Metric Conflicts. Two sessions: one on Wagner, and the other on Intervals, Transformations, and Tonnetze round out the program. Please consult the enclosed preliminary program for more information.

Local Arrangements: Blocks of rooms are booked in two different hotels for the conference. Ten rooms (mostly non-smoking, some with 1 king bed and some with 2 twins) are at the Student Center Hotel on campus: 765-285-1555, reference # 3552, rates of $48 or $54, must be booked by May 1. Twenty-five rooms (mostly non-smoking) are reserved at the Best Western Inn about a mile and a half away: 765-282-0600, reference #G 00016-13, rates of $57 or $65, must be booked by April 11. The street address of the Best Western Inn is 3011 West Bethel. Some limited, no-cost housing in people’s homes is available for graduate students. For information, contact Melissa Hoag, mkorte@indiana.edu.
**Saturday Evening Banquet:** The banquet will be held Saturday evening at 6:30 in downtown Muncie, about two miles from campus, at Vera Mae’s Bistro, 209 South Walnut St. Cost of the dinner is $25, including tax and gratuity; there will be a cash bar.

**For further information:** Contact Eleanor Trawick, Local Arrangements chair. E-mail: etrawick@bsu.edu (please include “MTMW” in the subject heading). Telephone: 765–282–1386 (home telephone number—please call before 9 PM Eastern time).

Included herewith is more information on local arrangements along with a conference registration form. For more information, see the MTMW Website: [www.wmich.edu/mus-theo/mtmw/](http://www.wmich.edu/mus-theo/mtmw/)

Please also take a moment to confirm the currency of your membership. A membership form is included with this mailing for your convenience. If your membership is already current, please pass the form along to interested colleagues and students.

We look forward to seeing you in Muncie!

Shersten Johnson, MTMW Secretary, for the Society