



# MUSIC CELEBRATIONS INTERNATIONAL

*Concert Tours with Integrity*



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CAN CHANGE  
THE  
WORLD**

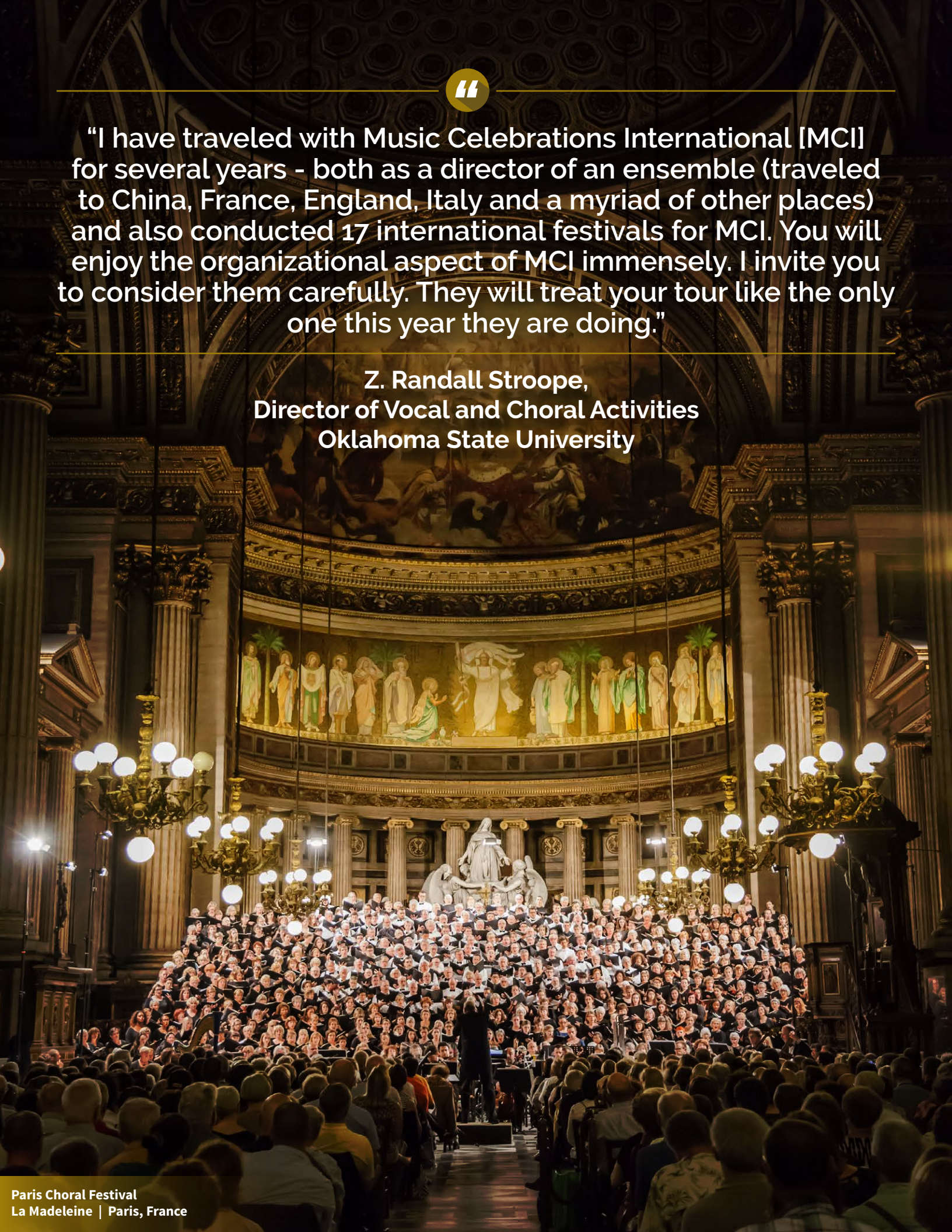






“I have traveled with Music Celebrations International [MCI] for several years - both as a director of an ensemble (traveled to China, France, England, Italy and a myriad of other places) and also conducted 17 international festivals for MCI. You will enjoy the organizational aspect of MCI immensely. I invite you to consider them carefully. They will treat your tour like the only one this year they are doing.”

Z. Randall Stroope,  
Director of Vocal and Choral Activities  
Oklahoma State University





# MY VISION



John Wiscombe,  
President

In formative years, I experienced the excitement and reward of working with incredible music teachers (piano, organ, trumpet, cello) who left imprints on my life that are as real now, 50+ years later, as they were when I went to those very frequent lessons. Through music, I became a far more educated person, developed an inquisitive mind, met friends and made associations that have blessed and changed my life. I have experienced the musical growth which comes from the electric sensation of performing in historic settings and world-class concert halls to large, appreciative audiences.

When I started Music Celebrations International, I determined to share these experiences with as many other musicians as possible. Magnificent performances enhance growth, education, appreciation, musicality, character, and stimulus in every performer. Achievement in an excellent performance is a catalyst to even greater future accomplishment, refinement and musical growth.

How lucky am I to do things every day which will affect and influence others who are equally passionate about music, performance, and these life-changing moments! I have hand selected a passionate, competent, and musical staff who share my vision and commitment to change the world through the vehicle of music.



“This was a terrific tour! I would recommend you to any musical ensemble that would like to do its tour right and enjoy the experience forever.”

Dr. Arthur C. Bartner -  
University of Southern California  
Trojan Marching Band



USC Trojan Marching Band  
Tower Bridge | London, England

# OUR HISTORY

MCI is chosen as the official music producer for concerts in France to commemorate the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of D-Day.

1994

The National Park Service nominates MCI to produce America's annual **National Independence Day Parade** in Washington, DC, a privilege that continues to this day.



MCI is selected by the cities of Innsbruck, Salzburg, Graz, and Vienna, to invite American music ensembles to participate in **Austria's Millennium Celebration**.

1996



MCI produces over 250 concerts celebrating the **Washington, D.C. Bicentennial**.

2000

The People's Republic of China exclusively nominates MCI to invite American music ensembles to China to perform in the top music conservatories, interact with their students, and help them build their music programs. This has now led to the annual **American Celebration of Music in China**.

MCI is again selected to produce concerts in France to commemorate **D-Day, this year for the 60th anniversary**.

2004

**The American Veterans Center partners with MCI to produce a Parade Salute to World War II Veterans in Washington, DC, coinciding with the National World War II Memorial dedication.** Resulting from this success, MCI now co-produces the annual National Memorial Day Parade in Washington.

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“The opportunity to perform in a world-class concert venue is of paramount consideration to me in selecting a performance tour. I have been extremely pleased with the professional staff at MCI, and this tour lived up to the anticipation! The next time I look to travel with an ensemble, your company will be my first contact.”

Dr. Glen Hemberger, Director of Bands  
Southeastern Louisiana University



Southeastern Louisiana University Wind Symphony  
The Kennedy Center | Washington, DC

# OUR PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

MCI is an active member of the following professional organizations which require adherence to a strict code of ethics and business practices:

- Better Business Bureau (BBB)
- American Society of Travel Agents (ASTA)
- International Airlines Travel Agent Network (IATAN)
- International Festivals and Events Association (IFEA)
- Student & Youth Travel Association (SYTA)
- American Bus Association (ABA)
- Cruise Lines International Association (CLIA)
- National Association for Music Education (NAFME)
- Chorus America
- American Choral Directors Association (ACDA)
- Association of Concert Bands (ACB)
- American School Band Directors Association (ASBDA)
- American String Teachers Association (ASTA)
- League of American Orchestras
- World Association for Symphonic Bands and Ensembles (WASBE)



2005

MCI produces 350 concerts throughout Europe as part of its American Celebration of Music series celebrating the 60th anniversary of the end of World War II.



2006

Partnering with the Benjamin Franklin Tercentenary, MCI produces concerts in Philadelphia to celebrate Benjamin Franklin's life and achievements.

The mayors of Salzburg and Vienna partner with MCI to produce festivals celebrating Mozart's 250th birthday. 35 choruses took part, with an additional 200 performances taking place throughout Austria.

MCI marks Charles Wesley's Tercentenary with a Methodist festival chorus of 300 singers in New York City's Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts.

2007

MCI is the Official National Provider of an orchestra of 400 musicians and a choir of 1,607 singers for, America's 400th Anniversary. Guests include President George W. Bush, Supreme Court Justice Sandra Day O'Connor, and many other dignitaries.



2009

The Vienna Tourist Board selects MCI to produce four choral festivals to commemorate Franz Joseph Haydn's 200th death anniversary.





South Coast Youth Symphony Orchestra  
Dvorak Hall | Prague, Czech Republic



“Thank you for the incredible tour MCI planned for the South Coast Youth Symphony Orchestra! This was our 8th tour with MCI, and MCI has again exceeded my expectations, and has once more proven to be the best in the business. I am looking forward to planning our next tour with MCI in two years!”

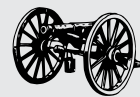
Rocky Lee, Artistic Director  
South Coast Youth Symphony Orchestra



Cheyenne All-City Children's Choir  
World War II Memorial | Washington, DC

MCI is chosen as the only performance-tour organizer from the U.S. to partner with the **Shanghai World Expo**.

MCI is an official partner of the **National Cherry Blossom Festival Centennial**, a five-week extravaganza in Washington, D.C.



In partnership with the American Veterans Center, MCI is the **official concert tour organizer for all performances in France & DC** related to the commemoration of the 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of D-Day.

**2010**



**2011**

The American Federation Pueri Cantores selects MCI to assist over 1,600 people to Rome to participate in the **New Year's Day Papal Mass in St. Peter's Basilica**.



**2013**

The Gettysburg 150 organization names MCI as the sole provider of music ensembles to present commemorative performances for the **150th anniversary of the Battle of Gettysburg and the Gettysburg Address**.

**2014**







“I have been on three tours with MCI (Washington, DC, San Francisco, CA, Williamsburg, VA). All fantastic. I will not use any tour company but MCI. They are efficient, quick to respond and resolve issues, and know how to plan a trip that is teenager AND adult friendly!”

Melissa Hammers, Director  
Marshall High School Chorale



Great Britain Choral Festival  
Ely Cathedral | Ely, England



2015

MCI produces over 400 concerts throughout Europe as part of its American Celebration of Music series celebrating the 70th anniversary of the end of World War II

As an official partner of Luther 2017, MCI produces pilgrimage tours and concerts throughout Germany, including a large-scale choral event in Berlin, to celebrate 500 Years of the Reformation.

2017



2018

Commemorating 100 years since the end of WWI, MCI produces the Great Britain Choral Festival in Ely Cathedral under the direction of Dr. Craig Jessop and Sir Stephen Cleobury

MCI produced the first parade on the beaches of Normandy that took place to commemorate the 75th Anniversary of D-Day in France.

2019

Commemorating the 75th Anniversary of D-Day, MCI organized the Paris Choral Festival which took place in La Madeleine under the direction of Dr. Gary Schwartzhoff





FSU Marching Chiefs  
Trocadéro Gardens | Paris, France



“From the moment we signed on for our trip to France, we found Music Celebrations International (MCI) to be consummate professionals. They eased any and all concerns we may have had and provided constant assistance and reassurance along the way. They worked tirelessly to help with any unforeseen issues, no matter how big or small they may have been. We would highly recommend MCI to our friends and colleagues around the country and will plan on using them again in the near future.”

David Plack,  
Director of Athletic Bands  
Florida State University

**To Commemorate the 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the attack on Pearl Harbor**, MCI organizes a choral festival under the direction of Craig Jessop and a Mass Band which performed at the U.S.S. Navy Battleship Missouri Memorial

**2021**

**In celebration of Beethoven's 251<sup>st</sup> Birthday**, MCI organizes two different festivals in Vienna for choirs and orchestras. The Beethoven 251 Choral Festival in St. Stephen's Cathedral and the Beethoven 251 Orchestra Festival in the Musikverein



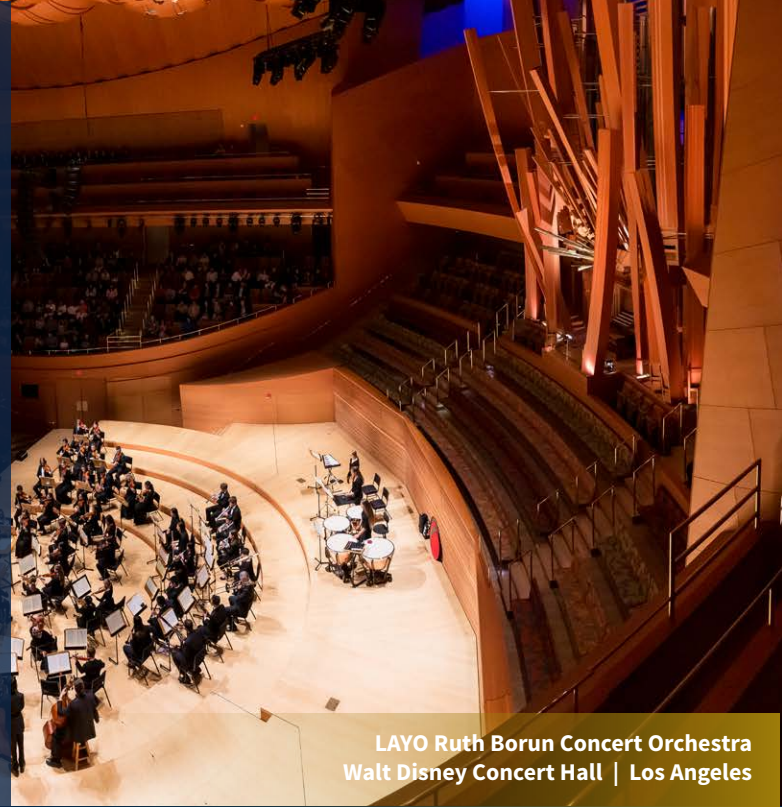
Syracuse Youth Orchestra  
Carnegie Hall | New York, NY





“We had a great tour! I could not have done this without my Music Celebrations International (MCI) Team! They were responsive to every need and question! I would use MCI again in a heartbeat.”

Jill Hardin, Executive Director  
East Texas Youth Orchestra



LAYO Ruth Borun Concert Orchestra  
Walt Disney Concert Hall | Los Angeles

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