

January 2018

Hello Ms. Penneys,

Happy New Year! I hope you enjoyed a wonderful holiday season.

I have just been reflecting on last year, and setting some goals for this new year, when I just wanted to write to you again and thank you for the fantastic blessing that RPPF has been in my life personally.

These last couple of months after RPPF 2017 has been amazing musically, because of the creative, open-minded suggestions I received from you, and the other wonderful faculty. Not only have I taken up swimming, (which you suggested, and has helped to loosen me up!) but also I have been able to really apply what you mentioned about being creative in the practice room, and listening to the sound, really listening!

I was named concertmaster of the University Orchestra, asked to be the assistant conductor of the Men's and Women's Choir, and won the Concerto Competition with the Grieg A minor. RPPF, and the philosophy behind it, I believe, helped me achieve all these things, by being more musically aware to the sound being created.

It was such an amazing experience for me to be there last year, that I have a strong desire to apply again this year to continue to grow, improve and develop, as well as be a positive and friendly influence to the other students there.

Again, I can't thank you enough for creating and masterminding your piano festival.

Warm regards,

Jack Tyndale-Biscoe (2017 RPPF student.)

P.S I don't know if you could or not provide me with perhaps the contact information of some of the donors to also thank them. Also say Hi to Dr. Ray, and if you both are ever in Spain, you have another home at the beach you can stay at!