



May 31, 2013

**To whom it may concern**

I have known Dr. Malcolm Brashear since Sept, 1989.

As the Principal Tympanist of the Hong Kong Philharmonic Orchestra for eleven years he acquitted himself admirably. He was always extremely diligent in his preparation, punctual in his attendance and continually aspired towards the highest musical standards. He was always extremely co-operative and helpful towards his colleagues, and was considered a valued member of our team.

He is honest, dedicated and totally trustworthy. I wholeheartedly recommend him to you as a professional colleague who can always be relied upon to give of his best.

David Atherton, O.B.E.  
Hong Kong Philharmonic Orchestra  
Music Director 1989-2000  
Conductor Laureate 2000-

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For 60 minutes each Monday afternoon the library at Chandler Hall is filled to capacity with 80 plus year old men and women anxious to see and hear Malcolm Brashear. Mr. Brashear leads the Classical Music Program, offered by this senior residence's Center for Lifelong Learning. The people arrive accompanied by drivers and aides that support their pursuit of enjoyment and knowledge. A discerning audience, their level of commitment to the program is a reflection of its' quality. According to one attendee, "Malcolm informs in a way that personalizes his subject, familiarizing us with the composer's world, as both genius and human." It is not uncommon to see visitors stop in the hallway to look through the glass wall of the library during a class. One can't help but be taken in by Malcolm's visible passion for the music. His straightforward and respectful style of engaging with the class is refreshing, and his standards continue to have a positive influence on those involved in the program beyond the 60-minute sessions. It has been my pleasure to work with Malcolm.

Sincerely,

Shawn Allen

Center for Lifelong Learning

Program Specialist

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