

## **Assistance for Planners of a 1st-time NH Camp/Exchange (3-day, 2 night)**

To encourage more events in which New Horizons musicians meet with those from other New Horizons groups, New Horizons International Music Association (NHIMA) will provide a plan and assistance for groups that would like to host a New Horizons camp/exchange. The benefits of attending a camp/exchange include getting to know more people, enjoying the big sound of being in a larger group, experiencing other music directors, and developing relationships among groups that may lead to future cooperative events.

The information below is a tentative plan for a three-day two-night camp/exchange that includes large ensembles only. The host group would modify it for its own resources.

Although it is most likely that the host group will make money for their treasury by hosting a camp, in the unlikely event that a loss occurs, NHIMA will award a Melinda Jacob Grant\* of up to \$1,000 to cover losses, provided that the plan is...

1. approved by the NHIMA Board of Directors
2. listed on the New Horizons Music website
3. offers a discount of at least \$10 for New Horizons Members.
4. And the host organization has a group membership in New Horizons International Music Association.

Two mentors with camp/exchange experience may be assigned to answer questions and help you plan. Their function will be only advisory. At least one will visit the camp.

### **Resources and Facilities Needed to Plan a Camp/Exchange**

A committee of six people to plan the camp/exchange.

At least two other New Horizons groups within about 6 hours driving distance.

One large room for rehearsals.

A hotel or dormitory where the visitors can stay, preferably with a large lobby or breakfast room for informal gathering. Hampton Inns with their large breakfast areas are an example. Some of your group members may want to offer lodging in their homes. Some attendees may be interested in a campground.

Two or more music directors of regional New Horizons groups who will conduct at the camp.

Responses from directors of other groups in the region indicating that some musicians from their groups are interested in attending.

**If your group is interested in hosting a camp**, contact NHIMA at [www.newhorizonsmusic.org](http://www.newhorizonsmusic.org) "Contact Us."

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\* **Melinda Jacob** was a flute player in the Dayton New Horizons Band. She loved New Horizons camps and remembered New Horizons International Music Association in her will.