



December 12, 2024

Cheryl Lynn Thornton
10004 Wonderful Day Drive
Las Vegas NV 89148

Dear Cheryl:

It is with pleasure that I inform you of your official designation as an *MTNA FOUNDATION Fellow*. This honor is bestowed by friends and colleagues upon individuals like yourself who have made a significant and substantial impact upon their lives. They confer this special status through a generous contribution to the MTNA FOUNDATION on your behalf. It is indicative of their deep and abiding gratitude for your life and work.

As a new *MTNA FOUNDATION Fellow*, you will be recognized during the Conference Gala at the 2025 National Conference in Minneapolis, Minnesota. The Gala will be held on Monday, March 17. To receive the early conference registration price, register on or before December 16, 2024. When registering online, select the MTNA Gala - 2025 Fellow option for your ticket to the event. You must enter the promotional code FEL25LOW when checking out to receive your complimentary ticket.

Please ensure your Fellow Coordinator, Allison Olson, has submitted a photo and two bios (one 100-word bio for the gala book and one 40-word bio to be read as the introduction as you walk to the stage) to MTNA by January 13, 2025. In addition, please complete the online publicity information sheet if you wish to have a press release sent to media outlet(s) in your area. Below is a link to the publicity sheet for your convenience,
<https://www.mtna.org/secured/active/Publicity.aspx>.

Questions regarding your Fellow award may be directed to Jennifer Thomason, executive assistant at (888) 512-5278, ext. 235, jthomason@mtna.org. Please let her know before February 10, 2025, if you plan to attend the Gala to be recognized or if you have already purchased a Gala ticket

Cheryl, you are very loved and respected by your colleagues and friends. This is evident from the generous donations we have received on your behalf. Your contributions to the music profession have inspired and will continue to inspire teachers and students everywhere.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Brian Shepard".

Brian Shepard
Chief Executive Officer

cc: Spencer Baker, NCTM, Nevada MTA President
Allison Olson, Nevada MTA FOUNDATION Chair