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Dear Dmitri,

I hope and pray that this letter finds Tony, Peter and yourself in the best of health and spirits, I can only imagine the stresses that your schedule and the logistics surrounding it brings to you and I truly want you to know that your efforts haven't gone either unnoticed or un-appreciated. Thank You.

Personally, your appearances and performances were beyond words. The generosity of your "LOOKING AT THE STARS" Foundation, is unreal. Who does this? What group, organization or program with the dignity and talent level of "LOOKING AT THE STARS" has **EVER** made themselves available to this forgotten and under-represented segment of society? None. In my 45 years of incarceration I've yet to experience anything as emotionally, spiritually and psychologically uplifting and insightful as the masterful performances of the young Mr. Tony Yang. I will **never** have the financial ability to repay the three of you gentlemen for the inspirational impact that you've made on (not only) me but also on the entire prison population who were privy to the classical gift from Tony, Peter, yourself and the entire "LOOKING AT THE STARS" foundation and staff... but I'll try.

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I'd like to take a moment to re-introduce myself, I realize that your Foundation must receive thousands of letters and by the time that this makes it to your hands quite awhile might've passed.

As previously noted, my name is Kevin S. Francis. I've had the good fortune of being able to attend **TWO** of Tony's amazing performances. One was in M.C.I. Norfolk (MA), in 2024, (I was the Chairman of the Norfolk Music Program and helped set-up the stage and auditorium for you). I also had the opportunity to attend the performance held just recently in the gymnasium in N.E.C.C. (Concord Farm) on June 18th, 2025. It was at this concert that I had the opportunity to speak (extensively) with Peter, Tony and yourself. While we spoke to one another you handed me your business card and told me to get in touch with you as soon as possible, unfortunately, I had to turn your card over to the Deputy Superintendent and she kept the card and would only give me the aforementioned address of your "Looking At The Stars" Foundation. Hopefully the information that I've been provided with is correct...

During my conversation with Peter he had asked me if I would be interested in contributing to a documentary about the impact that "Looking At The Stars" has had on the inmate population of some of the various prisons that were blessed with your social and cultural "donations". You came over and agreed with Peter and here we are. Basically, if I can help your cause, I will.

As it stands right now, my release date to a "Halfway House" in Boston is on July 19th, 2025, (although the Massachusetts Dept. of Correction has been known to hold people up to eight weeks past their dates, so...). Hopefully, I'll be able to provide you with whatever you need with the approval of my assigned Massachusetts parole officer. (Of course I'll send you all pertinent

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information that describes the conditions of my parole).

Thank you for this opportunity, Dmitri, it means more to me than you could possibly realize. Tell Peter that I said "Thank-you for the prayers", they were most assuredly answered! Let Tony know that I said that he's an amazing person and because of his approachable personality and incredible showmanship and ability that he's done more for the exposure and acceptance of classical music in the urban environment than anyone I've ever seen! Also, PLEASE make sure that he knows to **NEVER** underestimate the impact that his music makes on people's lives. Finally, I'd like to personally thank you for having the vision to bring classical music to the un-informed. "Looking At The Stars", as has truly changed lives.

Hope to Hear From You Soon...

Sincerely,

P.S.

The address that I've given to you is my **HOME** address. By the time that this letter reaches your hands I might be home! Wish me luck.

Kevin