

January 2009

To: Parents of the Class of 2009

Planning is underway for the Eastman School of Music's 2009 Commencement ceremonies. We hope that you will join us for the celebratory events that take place on Commencement Weekend. University of Rochester President Joel Seligman and I will be presiding at the Eastman Commencement this year.

- The Commencement ceremony for doctoral students, a University-wide event, will take place at 9:30 a.m., Saturday, May 16, 2009, in the Eastman Theatre.
- The Commencement ceremony for Eastman School master's and bachelor's students will take place at 11:15 a.m., Sunday, May 17, 2009, in the Eastman Theatre. Graduating Eastman School of Music PhD and DMA students are encouraged to attend and will be recognized at this event, as well.

In April, we will send a formal invitation to parents of students in the class of 2009. Our purpose in writing now is to suggest that you make lodging and travel reservations early; particularly since other area colleges will conduct their Commencement ceremonies on the same weekend. A hotel/motel list is enclosed; inclusion of an establishment does not imply an Eastman School endorsement. Please call the establishment directly to make your reservation and mention your attendance at the Eastman School of Music Commencement. Price advantages may apply.

Commencement 2009 promises to be a memorable weekend for our graduates and their guests. We look forward to seeing you then.

Cordially,

Douglas Lowry
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Enclosure