The program committee of the 37th annual meeting of the Society for Ethnomusicology, Southern California Chapter (SEMSCC) invites local SEM members, students, faculty, and all others interested in the field of ethnomusicology to submit proposals for papers, panels, roundtable discussions, workshops, film/video screenings, performances, or collective events for the 2003 conference.

As in the past, we prefer not to stipulate any conference themes in advance, instead allowing themes to emerge from the abstracts that are submitted. However, we would like to encourage panel submissions in which three or four papers explore different aspects of a common theme. The program committee also extends a special invitation to local members of the American Musicological Society and Society for American Music to submit proposals that might be of mutual interest.

Proposals from graduate students in ethnomusicology and closely related fields are especially welcome. Graduate student papers are eligible for the Ki Mantle Hood Student Prize (see the guidelines posted on the SEMSCC website at http://www.ucr.edu/ethnomus/semscc1.html). We also strongly encourage local faculty and new or visiting scholars to contribute to the program.

Regular mail: Please submit four copies of an abstract not more than 300 words long. One copy should have your name, institutional affiliation, and address in the bottom left corner. The remaining three copies should consist of your abstract text only and should not include any identification. Include one copy of the completed Abstract Information Form (available at www.ucr.edu/ethnomus/semscc1.html). Be sure to include an email address or a self-addressed stamped envelope to facilitate notification. Faxed proposals cannot be considered. Mail must be postmarked by January 6, 2003.

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Email: Send an email with the information requested on the Abstract Information Form in the body of the message and follow with your abstract of not more than 300 words. (Please no attachments.) Email must be received by January 7, 2003. Send email submissions and queries to: xti@ipbahay.org

Program Committee 2003: Kimasi Browne, Cornelia Fales, and John von Seggern.

Notifications will be made by the final week of January through email except in those cases where an email address is not given.