The University of Michigan Regents Communication

Request for Action

Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement

Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir

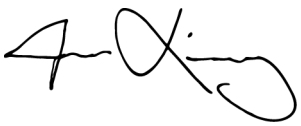
William M. Campbell, M.M., professor of music in the School of Music, Theatre & Dance, retired from active faculty status on November 30, 2026.

Professor Campbell received his B.M. (1983) degree, in applied trumpet, and his M.M. (1985) in trumpet performance and literature, from the Eastman School of Music, at the University of Rochester. Professor Campbell joined the University of Michigan, in 2000, as an associate professor of music. Prior to joining the U-M faculty, Professor Campbell served on the faculties of The Ohio State University and the University of Kansas. At Ohio State, Professor Campbell was awarded the Outstanding Professor Award by the SphinxMortar Board.

Professor Campbell performed for seven years as principal trumpet with l'Orchestra del Maggio Musicale Fiorentinoin Florence, l'OrchestraVer del Maggio Musicale Fiorentino in Italy, conducted by Zubin Mehta. He has performed as soloist with Mehta, toured five continents, and is featured on numerous recordings. He was the principal trumpet of the Ann Arbor Symphony Orchestra from 2011-2019, and previously performed as principal trumpet with the Chicago Symphony Orchestra, the St. Louis Symphony Orchestra, the Columbus Symphony Orchestra, and the Rochester Philharmonic Orchestra. He has performed with many internationally renowned conductors including George Solti, Riccardo Chailly, Charles Dutoit, Christopher Hogwood, Leonard Slatkin, and Carlo Maria Giulini, among others. In a recent tour in China, Professor Campbell, a Bach Artist, was appointed visiting guest professor of trumpet at the Shenyang Conservatory of Music. Professor Campbell has performed and presented master classes at more than 50 universities throughout the world.

The Regents now salute this distinguished faculty member by naming **William M. Campbell, professor emeritus of music.**

Respectfully submitted:



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Vice President and Secretary of the University

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