



February 15, 2012

To the Alkahest Team,

Thank you for helping us connect with Cheryse Lewis for our Martin Luther King Celebration. Her musical rendition of Dr. King's "I Have a Dream Speech" was the highlight of the evening and helped us meet the goals we had for the concert. In addition, the rest of the concert and the entire experience of working with Cheryse were also wonderful.

Cheryse has a world class voice. Her exceptional range and the vibrancy and clarity of her tone are several attributes that make this obvious. However, to me it was her ability to sing well in many different styles and to invite the audience into her songs by sharing her personal connection with each piece that qualifies her as a great performer as well.

Another great attribute that Cheryse demonstrated while she was on our campus was her ability to blend professionalism with a personal and patient demeanor. This was obvious in the way in which she interacted with our Gospel Choir and tech team as we worked through technical and performance issues. She was great to work with.

Thanks for sending Mac Frampton along with Cheryse. I thought they worked together well and they had good chemistry in the performance. Mac's ability to relate to a Christian audience through his own experience as a Preacher's kid was obvious and his Gospel Music Medley was a real show-stopper.

We hope to work with your company again in the future. If you need any recommendations regarding Cheryse, please let me know.

David Diehl, D.A.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "David Diehl", written in a cursive style.

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