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## From the Director's Desk.....

Happy New Year from all of us at Boston University Tanglewood Institute! We are infinitely excited to find our phones ringing and email inboxes filling with inquiries as we head into the thick of applications and auditions, and we're even more thrilled with what is shaping up to be a compelling and meaningful summer season.

The New Year is often a time for reflection, paired with a focus toward change and growth. With this comes feelings of optimism about what the next year will bring. Our 50th Anniversary Celebration revealed that BUTI's core programs maintain pillars of excellence and remain a valuable asset to the BU and music community at large.

But despite our past successes, we're not about to "rest on our laurels." This year, we're pleased to welcome back many of our favorite and long-time faculty and conductors, as well as introduce some brand new faces to the BUTI community. We're delighted to have maestro Bruce Kiesling open our 2017 Seiji Ozawa Hall Concert Series with the Young Artists Orchestra, and we welcome Margaret Cerjan, Adrian Anantawan, and Javier Caballero, who will lead the charge for the new Junior Strings Intensive (JSI)—a two week experience that serves younger students, ages 10 to 13. In addition to JSI, we are also offering a new and exciting opportunity for composition students with the launch of the Electroacoustic Composition Workshop. Continuing the Violin, Viola, and Cello Workshops that successfully debuted in 2016, we're thrilled to add these new programs to broaden our two-week Workshops with even more stimulating learning and music-making opportunities.

We look forward to sharing this 2017 journey with you and pledge to make it as exciting, transformative, and as meaningful as possible for all involved—students, parents, faculty, staff, educational partners, artistic collaborators, and audience members alike. We are grateful to all those who make it possible, and we are honored to be a part of this truly important work.

As the snow falls and we dream of the *magic of Tanglewood* that will come with warmer weather, we look forward to sharing more with you as we come closer to the 2017 season. Please keep in touch!

With warm regards,

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