

## NICHOLAS L'OUVERTURE GERREN

Instructor of Music, Critic Teacher,  
Laboratory High School  
Lincoln University, Missouri

Music Education

Good testimony as to general ability  
\* But he is probably a very quick  
type: influence of music on  
responses to Rorschach test  
I'd want so testimony from  
high psychiatrists before I  
turned a music teacher  
loose on psycholinguistic interpretation  
If he were 26 (instead of 36) I might  
be worthwhile to launch him on  
a musical-psycholinguistic career  
maybe

NICHOLAS L'OUVERTURE GERREN

(30)

Instructor, Department of Music  
Prairie View State College

Music - Violin and Orchestral Conducting

*class room musician  
who wants to conduct*

Name Nicholas L'Ouverture Gerren  
Instructor, Department of Music  
Prairie View State College, Prairie View, Texas

Field: Music -  
Violin  
Orchestral Conducting

Plan of Work

To extend my violin studies and to enlarge, through practical experience and development, my knowledge and skill in conducting symphonic instrumental groups.

Requests grant for academic year 1942-43. Total duration of project about a year and a summer. Would work for M. F. A. degree at University of Kansas under Mr. Waldemar Geltch.

Personal Data Born Kansas City, Kansas, March 10, 1912.  
Single.

Age: 30  
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(now I-A)*

Undergraduate Work University of Kansas, B. M., 1935.

Graduate Work Moscow Conservatory of Music, USSR, 1935-37.

Experience Substitute teacher during 1938 in the Kansas City, Kansas, schools.  
Instructor in music at Prairie View State College, summer of 1939  
to present time, \$1035.

Assistant music critic of the Moscow Daily News. Period not given.

Accomplishments Concert appearances in various cities of the Middle West and South West. Developed Kansas City Concert Orchestra, made up of professional and non-professional instrumentalists, and a community mixed chorus.

Held scholarship covering expenses of travel to the Soviet Union for study at the Moscow Conservatory - approximately \$250.

References

Dr. Waldemar Geltch, Head of Departments of Violin and Conducting, University of Kansas  
Mr. Donald M. Swarthout, University of Kansas  
Mr. John A. Hodge, Sumner High School, Kansas City, Kansas  
Mr. W. R. Banks, Prairie View State College

Budget Summary

Total Amount Needed	\$1,750
From Applicant	250
From Fund	\$1,500

AMOUNT GRANTED

Sent to Committee

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Name Nicholas L'Ouverture Gerren  
 Field: Music-Instrumental  
 (Violin)  
 Instructor, Department of Music, Critic Teacher Laboratory  
 High School, Lincoln University, Jefferson City, Missouri

Plan of Work To increase skill in violin playing and orchestral conducting toward the establishment of a positive attitude in Negro communities toward the classical orchestra, and where possible to build such groups and add to the general community growth.

Requests grant for one year. Wishes to study either at Kansas University or Yale University for the M. Mus. degree.

Applied 1942

Personal Data Born Kansas City, Kansas, March 1912  
 Married, one partial dependent  
 Age: 35  
 Draft Status: 1-C

Undergraduate Work Kansas University, B.M., 1934  
 " " , B. Mus. Ed., 1939

Graduate Work Kansas University, summer, 1946

Special Study: Moscow Conservatory of Music, 1935-37

Experience Substitute teacher, Kansas City, Kansas Public Schools, 1938; teacher and department head, Prairie View University, Texas, 1939-42, \$1860; teacher, Bennett College, Greensboro, N.C., 1945-46, \$2000; teacher, Lincoln University, 1946-- , \$2000.

Accomplishments Member Kansas University Symphony Orchestra (conducted same); Member Moscow Radio Theatre Symphony Orchestra; Assistant Music Critic, Moscow Daily News; given violin concert performances in colleges and universities.

Scholarship: Inter-City Civic Association, 1935-37, for travel to and study in the Moscow Conservatory of Music - Violin and Orchestral Conducting, \$400.

#### References

Waldemar Belitch, Kansas University  
 D. M. Swarthout, " "  
 Earnest Hoffman, Conductor, Houston, Texas Symphony Orchestra  
 Walter M. Booker, Howard University  
 O. Anderson Fuller, Lincoln University  
 Sherman D. Scruggs, President, Lincoln University

#### Budget Summary

Total Amount Needed \$1500  
 From Applicant  
 From Fund \$1500

Sent to Committee



Name **Nicholas L'Ouverture Gerren** Field: **Music Education**

Instructor of Music, Critic Teacher, Laboratory High School, Lincoln Univ.,  
1837 Tennessee Street, Lawrence, Kansas Missouri

Plan of Work To devise a projective type technique as an aid in personality diagnosis to be used to determine the effects of music on individuals as demonstrated by changes in response to the Rorschach Inkblot Test.

Requests grant for school year 1948-49 beginning in September. Wishes to work toward the Ph.D. in Music Education at Kansas University under the supervision of Dr. E. Thayer Gaston.

Applied in 1942  
Applied in 1947

Personal Data Born Kansas City, Kansas, March 1912 Age: **36**  
Married, one dependent Draft Status:

Undergraduate Work Kansas University, B.M., 1934

Graduate Work Kansas University, B. Mus.Ed., 1939  
Kansas University, 1946-47

Special Study Moscow Conservatory of Music, 1935-37

Experience Sub. teacher, Kansas City Pub. Schools, 1938; instructor and acting dept. head, Prairie View College, Texas, 1939-42, \$1860; instructor, Bennett College, Greensboro, N.C., 1945-46, \$2000; instructor, Lincoln University, Jefferson City, Mo., 1946- , \$2000.

Accomplishments

Scholarships Inter-City Civic Association, 1935-37, for study at the Moscow Conservatory of Music.

References  
John H. Nelson, Kansas University  
E. Thayer Gaston, " "  
Sherman D. Scruggs, Lincoln University, Mo.  
Earl E. Dawson, " "

## Budget Summary

Total Amount Needed	\$2023
From Applicant	124
From Fund	\$1999

AMOUNT GRANTED

Sent to Committee