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155 N. Center St.  
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To Whom It May Concern:

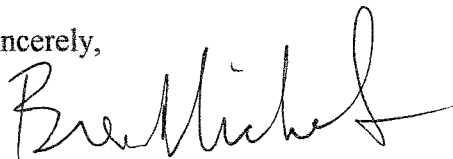
After recently moving here from Aumsville, Oregon, I learned of the MAC from one of my coworkers within the first week of being here. I would love to participate in your little set-up over there since I was an entertainment sensation in my hometown. However, I have a few concerns that may prevent me from performing at your Mormon Arts Center.

First of all, I have no religious affiliation whatsoever. I answer only to myself – no ifs, ands, or gods. I'm not sure if the Mormon Arts Center is tolerant of other belief systems or whether it is strictly for Mormon community members. I have nothing against most Latter Day Saints, so there should be no problem with me working side by side with those kinds of people. I have been able to contain my mocking in the past. If you are entirely for Mormons and you prohibit freethinkers, then perhaps you can make an exception for someone who worships the same thing as you: the stage.

My talent was unsurpassed in Aumsville and the surrounding towns of Stayton, Sublimity, and Turner. No one was better at whistling. I won a talent show at the 2002 Harvest Festival for whistling (in perfect pitch!) a medley of Garth Brooks songs. Most are impressed with how quickly and loudly I can whistle most any tune.

I'm dying to start here in the valley. If you have any musical productions that would benefit from a superb whistler, or a talent show, I would love to show you what I could do (provided there is no problem with being non-Mormon). I hear you also have classes. I think I'll stop by and sit in an acting class this month and get a feel for your little place if welcome.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Brent Nichols". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

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