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to roadsidetheater@verizon.net

Dear Ron, Kim, and Donna,
I know you probably don't remember me, but my name is Mike Gary. I was in your residency at Haysi High School when Donna Owens was our teacher(I think it was 1990-1992). Anyhow, I just wanted to let you guys know that although it's been almost fifteen years since you came to our school, I still regard that as one of the best memories of my life.

Probably the most memorable was the last play we did at Appalshop and Kim came up and sang with us one of the song's that you helped us collaberate. And Ron, I'll never forget when you came up and sang with me and Jeff McClelland at a local radio station (WDIC), while me and Jeff did one of our "Jack Tales". I really looked up to you two.

Me, I ended up serving in the Army a few years, and now I work up here at the Pentagon as a police officer. And no matter what I do or where I live, I will never forget where I came from and am very proud of that. You guys gave me confidence in my heritage and taught me to be proud of where I came from, and for that I thank you.

Hope all is well, and if you get some time, drop me a line, I'd love to hear from you.

p.s. If you're ever up here in DC, let me know, and I'll show you around the Pentagon(I'm still getting lost up here)

Again, thank you
Sincerely

Mike Gary
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