

Dear ICTM Secretariat and ICTM SGAM Membership,

Kindly find the official notice below wrt to Prof Nketia funeral plans. We have been given the tentative date below awaiting confirmation from the State President and key traditional rulers. There are plans for week long burial celebrations so please plan accordingly if you are able to attend this significant farewell function.

If you're planning to attend as part of the official ICTM Delegation/ICTM SGAM kindly let us know so that we can try to co-ordinate our representation and send a notice to both the family burial committee as well as various state and local leadership who may want to receive our representatives following their protocols. Of course everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend in their own official and personal capacity.

For those requesting invitation letters for visa processing and don't have local Ghanaian contacts/references kindly get in touch with Prof Nketia's PA Andrews Agyemfra-Tettey email: profcoff@gmail.com and ICTM Liaison Officer for Ghana Prof. Daniel Kodzo Avorgbedor email: perazimm@gmail.com; davorgbedor@ug.edu.gh; avorgbedor1@yahoo.com; They can also assist you with suggestions for accommodation incase you need assistance with this. You can use both their names as the 2 references on your visa applications.

I understand that Mr. Andrews Agyemfra-Tettey is in touch with all institutions where Prof Nketia either taught or was Emeritus Prof, so to assist with ease in co-ordination, kindly let him know how to accommodate your specific requests. He has also set up the following website to collect tributes both locally and internationally to share with the family and has invited us all to post tributes and share stories and pictures on there.

https://click.pstmrk.it/2sm/www.forevermissed.com%2Femeritus-prof-jh-kwabena-nketia%2F%3Finvitation_code%3D7e8603c54b77f3265304329fa3fcdba%26utm_source%3Dfm_emails%26utm_medium%3Demail%26utm_campaign%3Dmemorialinvitation%26utm_content%3Dvisit_link/hO__GwM/Wm0/r-mZhi32qv/bWVtb3JpYWxJbnZpdGF0aW9u

Agyemfra-Tettey plans to keep this website going for a while to accommodate those who might have received news of Prof Nketia's passing late, and also those who'd like to share some memories of their years and encounters with Prof. This site is also providing a convenient online space for us to come together and express these sentiments. The site is also put together as an online space to offer Prof Nketia's family our condolences.

I'm lead to believe that there are many initiatives underway to pay tribute to our beloved international icon so this is indeed wonderful as we all wish to treasure these memories through eternity. Joining everyone during this season when through grief we still celebrate Prof Nketia's amazing achievements during his time with us.

In fond remembrance of our beloved icon and intellectual giant.
Dr. Patricia Opondo
Chair, ICTM Study Group on African Musics
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