ACADEMIC and PERSONAL LETTER OF REFERENCE
JONATHAN PARADISE ISRAEL EXPERIENCE FUND
Professors Louis Newman and Stacy Beckwith

Return your completed application to Jean Sherwin, Admin. Assistant to the Classics Department, LDC 230 by 4:00 PM on Friday, February 20, 2009

ACADEMIC REFERENCE FOR _____
(student's name)

I hereby waive my right of access to the information contained in this recommendation, thereby ensuring the confidential nature of your comments.

Student's Signature_____ Date_____

Study abroad requires emotional maturity, self-discipline, and a certain amount of physical stamina; participants must be able to adjust to different cultural influences, function as an active member of a group, keep up with a rigorous schedule, and a the same time, maintain academic work of high quality.

DIRECTIONS: Please place a mark at the point that best describes your impression of the student:

1. CRITICAL SKILLS: Assess the student's abilities at critical reading and writing.

/_____/_____/_____/_____/
(no chance to observe) poor excellent

2. DISCUSSION SKILLS: Does the student participate adequately and appropriately?

/_____/_____/_____/_____/
(no chance to observe) poor excellent

3. FLEXIBILITY: How does the student adjust to new situations?

/_____/_____/_____/_____/_____/
(no chance to observe) with a great deal of difficulty with little or no difficulty

4. COLLEGIALITY: How easily will the student get along with other Carleton students and staff people?

/ _____/_____/_____/_____/_____/
(no chance to observe) with a great deal of difficulty with little or no difficulty

5. STAMINA: How will the student adjust to a physically demanding schedule?

/_____/_____/_____/_____/_____/
(no chance to observe) with a great deal of difficulty with little or no difficulty

6. CURIOSITY: How inquisitive will the student be in both academic and non-academic settings?

/_____/_____/_____/_____/_____/
(no chance to observe) not very inquisitive very inquisitive

7. OVERALL RECOMMENDATION: How would you summarize your overall recommendation?

_____ I recommend this student with enthusiasm.
_____ I recommend this student, although I have a few reservations.
_____ I cannot recommend this student--I don't have enough information.
_____ I cannot recommend this student--maybe another program, another time.

Please add any comments that might help the director:

➪ _____ _____
Signature Date

Please Print _____ _____
Name Phone