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The University of Delaware presents 8 of Delaware's Finest Musicians on Wednesday, February 13 at 8:00 p.m.

Three talented wind players joined by five accomplished string players make each moment of this epic work one to savor!

(Wilmington, Del.) February 8, 2019 - Join Serafin String Quartet and UD Faculty guests, Miles Brown, double bass; John David Smith, horn; Christopher Nichols, clarinet; and Lynn Moncilovich, bassoon, for a special performance of Schubert "Octet" for strings and winds in F Major, Op. 166. Modeled after Beethoven's early Septet, Op. 20, the sublime octet shows the emotional complexity of Schubert with swings between joyful exuberance and melancholy.

Opening remarks by pianist, musicologist and music history professor Dr. Alexandre Abdoulaev will offer insights about Schubert's life and octet. The concert has no intermission and will run approximately 1 hour and 20 minutes.

FEATURING

Schubert "Octet" for strings and winds in F Major, Op. 166 Opening remarks by Dr. Alexandre Abdoulaev

WHERE

Roselle Center for the Arts, Gore Recital Hall 110 Orchard Rd, Newark, DE 19716

TICKETS

\$15 adults, \$10 seniors/alumni/staff, and \$5 students - cash or check at the door



Serafin String Quartet



Miles Brown, double bass



Lynn Moncilovich, bassoon



Christopher Nichols, clarinet



John David Smith, horn



Serafin String Quartet 2019 Concerts

Tuesday, April 9, 2019 at 8:00 p.m. - University of Delaware presents French Connection

Serafin String Quartet violinist, Kate Ransom and cellist, Lawrence Stomberg, with Augustine Mercante, countertenor and Victor Asuncion, piano

Hahn *Ah Cloris!*, Franck Sonata for Violin and Piano in A Major and Chausson Piano Trio in g minor Gore Recital Hall: Roselle Center for the Arts, UD campus

Tickets: Adults, \$15; Srs/UD Staff & Alum, \$10; Students, \$5

Sunday, May 5, 2019 at 4:00 p.m. - The Arts at Trinity presents Serafin String Quartet

Beethoven String Quartet in e minor Op.59, No.2 and Dvořák String Quartet in Eb Major, Op.51 Trinity Episcopal Church, 1108 N. Adams Street, Wilmington, DE 19801 Free, donations welcome

Wednesday, May 8, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. - The Music School of Delaware presents Serafin String Quartet

Schumann String Quartet in Major, Op. 41#3

Wilmington Branch, 4101 Washington St, Wilmington, DE 19802

Tickets: \$10 adults, \$5 seniors/students; proceeds benefit the Anthony G. Simmons Scholarship Fund and Annual Scholarships

Sunday, May 19, 2019 at 7:30 p.m. - The Milton Theatre presents Serafin Ensemble

Featuring performances by Kate Ransom, violin; Amos Fayette, violin; Luke Fleming, viola; and Charae Krueger, cello

The Milton Theatre, 110 Union Street, Milton, DE

Tickets are \$17-22, available for purchase at http://bit.ly/2sT1gdb

June 20-30, 2019 - Serafin Summer Music

8 scintillating performances by 18 accomplished artists presented at The Music School of Delaware | in partnership with The University of Delaware Department of Music | sponsored by William J. Stegeman, Ph.D.

Thursday, June 20 at 7:00 p.m. - BOHEMIAN GEMS

Dvořák "Sonatina" in G Major, Op. 100 for violin and piano Smetana "Two Pieces From My Native Land" for violin and piano Dvořák "Terzetto" in C Major, Op. 74 for two violins and viola Smetana String Quartet No. 1 in E Minor "From MY Life"

Friday, June 21 at 7:00 p.m. - IT'S CLASSIC!

Michael Haydn Duo No. 2 in D Major for violin and viola Beethoven Piano Trio Op. 1, No.1 Schubert song set for countertenor, piano Schubert "Trout" Quintet for violin, viola, cello, bass, piano

Saturday, June 22 at 5:00 p,m. - FRIENDS and MENTORS

Brahms Sonata in A Major, Op. 100 for violin and piano Schumann "Fairy Tales" for clarinet, viola and piano Niels Gade Sonata in D Major for violin and piano Dohnanyi Piano Quintet No.1 in C Minor

Sunday, June 23 at 4:00 p.m. - OUT OF BAVARIA

Mozart D Major Quartet for flute, violin, viola, cello Reger Sonata in G Minor for solo viola Schumann "Fantasy Pieces" Op. 73 for cello and piano Brahms Piano Quartet in G Minor, Op. 25

Thursday, June 27 at at 7:00 p.m. - FRENCH FORAY

Leclair Duo in E Minor for two violins French Song Set Faure Piano Quartet No. 1 in C Minor, Op. 15

Friday, June 28 at 7:00 p.m. - THE THREE B's

Bach G Minor Sonata for solo violin Beethoven String Quartet in C Minor, Op. 18, No.4 Brahms Piano Trio in C Major, Op. 87

Saturday, June 29 at 5:00 p.m. - RUSSIAN ROMP

Khachaturian Trio for clarinet, violin, piano Arensky Trio in D Minor, Op. 32 for violin, cello, piano Borodin Piano Quintet in C Minor

Sunday, June 30 at 4:00 p.m. - FINALE FIREWORKS

Brahms Sextet in Bb Major, Op. 18 for two violins, two violas, two cellos Tchaikovsky "Souvenir de Florence" for two violins, two violas, two cellos

For more information, please visit www.serafinguartet.org/summer.

About Serafin String Quartet

Hailed for "silken finesse and gritty vibrancy" by Gramophone Magazine and for "playing with style and sophistication" by The Strad Magazine. Serafin String Quartet debuted at Weill Recital Hall at Carnegie Hall in 2004 and has consistently received superlatives in the press and ovations by audiences around the nation. The Quartet's highly acclaimed Naxos release featuring world premiere recordings of early chamber works by Pulitzer Prize-winning composer Jennifer Higdon was listed as "Top 10 Classical Albums" by Philadelphia's City Paper. The Quartet's debut recording on Centaur is an "American Tapestry" of works by American composers and composers influenced by American sounds, including Barber, Dvorák, Gershwin and William Grant Still, Featured by Strings Magazine for innovative concert programming, Serafin String Quartet has been applauded at performances around the nation. The Quartet serves as Quartet in Residence at the University of Delaware and takes its name from master violin maker, Sanctus Serafin, who in 1728 crafted the violin currently played by violinist Kate Ransom. The other members play Testore instruments from the same era, thanks to generous support from Dr. William Stegeman. For more information, please visit www.serafinquartet.org.