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## SERAFIN STRING QUARTET RETURNS TO WORLD CAFE LIVE AT THE QUEEN

(WILMINGTON, DEL.) Feb. 20, 2012 – <u>LiveConnections</u> presents <u>Serafin String Quartet</u> in a *ClassicAlive!* event at <u>World Cafe Live at the Queen</u>. The Serafins will perform a Collage Concert titled *An American Tapestry* on <u>Sunday, March 11, 2012</u> at noon (doors open for seating and brunch at 11:00 a.m.). *An American Tapestry* will feature works by Dvořák, Barber, Still, Gershwin and Jennifer Higdon, the Delaware Symphony Orchestra's 2012 A.I. du Pont Award. The Serafins will offer interesting and informative commentary from the stage presenting a unique and interactive musical experience.

World Cafe Live at the Queen will offer an *a la carte* brunch menu prior to and during the Collage Concert. Concert tickets are \$20, \$15 with student ID; purchase online at <u>queen.worldcafelive.com</u> or by calling 302-994-1400.

#### **Upcoming Serafin String Quartet Performances**

Saturday, March 3, 2012 - 8:00 PM
Anton Arensky's Piano Trio in d minor
Gore Recital Hall, University of Delaware, Newark, DE
SSQ members Kate Ransom and Lawrence Stomberg joining UD pianist Marian Lee.

Tuesday, March 20, 2012, 8:00 pm Quartet in Residence Concert University of Delaware, Gore Recital Hall, Newark, DE SSQ with Barbara Govatos (violin) and Marcantonio Barone (piano) Works by Mozart, Ravel, Chausson

Tuesday, April 3, 2012 - 8:00 PM Brahms & Friends - Program II

Gore Recital Hall, University of Delaware, Newark, DE

SSQ members Kate Ransom and Lawrence Stomberg presenting the complete works for Violin/Piano and Cello/Piano of Johannes Brahms, with complementary works by Robert Schumann and Niels Gade. With pianists Neal Kurz, Julie Nishimura, and Will Ransom.

#### **About the Serafin String Quartet**

Hailed by *The Strad Magazine* for "playing with style and sophistication" and the *American Record Guide* for "combining true rhythmic precision, beautiful intonation, and beautiful articulation with an excellent sense of balance and deeply satisfying musical phrasing," Serafin String Quartet has been applicated by audiences around the nation, including sell-out crowds at repeat performances in New York City's Weill Recital Hall at Carnegie Hall. The Quartet's debut recording was released by Centaur Records in September 2010, to critical acclaim. Serafin String 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 Kate Ransom. For more information, please visit <a href="https://www.serafinquartet.org">www.serafinquartet.org</a>.

### **About LiveConnections**

Founded in 2008 by a team of artists, educators and entrepreneurs, LiveConnections is dedicated to connecting all kinds of people through all kinds of music. Their *ClassicAlive!* events aim to expand how classical music is experienced by breaking boundaries of repertoire, collaboration and atmosphere and presenting great music in a fun, intimate and interactive setting. Programs take place at World Cafe Live in Philadelphia and Wilmington. <a href="https://www.liveconnections.org">www.liveconnections.org</a>

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