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University of Delaware Presents Serafin String Quartet

(NEWARK, DEL.) March 4, 2013 – The University of Delaware will present <u>Serafin String Quartet</u> in its annual *Quartet in Residence* concert in Gore Recital Hall on Sunday, March 10 at 3:00 p.m. The program will feature Beethoven's Op. 132, Haydn's Bb "Sunrise" Op. 76 #4, and Respighi's *Il Tramonto* (The Sunset) for voice and string quartet. The Quartet will be joined by UD faculty artist <u>Noël Archambeault</u>, *soprano*.

The program spans a musical journey from "sunrise" to "sunset" in the works of Haydn and Respighi. Beethoven's late quartet in A minor, Op. 132, chronicles his experience of recovery from an illness that took him to death's door. Listeners are invited to traverse the dramatic emotional landscape from dark to light, health to convalescence, and blossoming and fading.

Serafin String Quartet is in its third year as *Quartet in Residence* at the University of Delaware. In this role, the Quartet coaches student chamber ensembles, presents master classes and lectures, works collaboratively with UD faculty artists, and performs formal and informal concerts.

If you go: University of Delaware present Serafin String Quartet

When:	March 10, 2013 at 3:00 p.m.
Where:	Gore Recital Hall, University of Delaware, Newark, DE
Featuring:	Serafin String Quartet joined by special guest Noël Archambeault, soprano Repertoire:
	Beethoven Op. 132; Haydn Bb "Sunrise" Op. 76 #4; Respighi Il Tramonto
Tickets:	\$12 adults, \$8 UD faculty/staff/alumni & seniors, \$3 students available for purchase at the
	door, cash or check only <u>http://www.music.udel.edu</u>

For more information about Serafin String Quartet, please visit www.serafinquartet.org.

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 applauded 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 violinmaker, Sanctus Serafin, who in 1728 crafted the violin currently played by Kate Ransom. For more information, please visit www.serafinquartet.org.

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