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**University of Delaware hosts preview of Serafin Summer Music on April 9 at 8:00 p.m.**

(Wilmington, Del.) March 12, 2019 - The University of Delaware presents a preview performance of [Serafin Summer Music](#), a ten-day music festival coming to Delaware in June 2019, on **Tuesday, April 9 at 8:00 p.m.** Serafin Summer Music is a collaborative effort by [Serafin Ensemble](#), the [University of Delaware Department of Music](#), [The Music School of Delaware](#), [Jacobs Music Company](#) and William J. Stegeman, Ph.D. to bring exceptional chamber musicians to Delaware.

Serafin Summer Music concerts will feature world-class artists who specialize in collaborative performances of varied chamber ensemble configurations. Following this model, the University of Delaware concert presents [Kate Ransom](#), violin, [Lawrence Stomberg](#), cello, [Augustine Mercante](#), countertenor, and [Victor Asuncion](#), piano. Ransom and Stomberg are long-time members of Serafin String Quartet and accomplished musicians based in Delaware with roles at The Music School of Delaware and University of Delaware. Mercante is an acclaimed soloist, Fulbright Scholar and faculty member of The Music School of Delaware and Wesley College. Asuncion is an internationally acclaimed recitalist, concerto soloist and Steinway artist.

Titled *French Connection*, the concert program includes:

- **Hahn "A Chloris"** - Composed in 1913 by Reynaldo Hahn, this work interweaves voice into the piano accompaniment creating a lovely piece that combines Baroque style with French mélodie. The brief work will be performed in two versions: the original for voice and piano, as well as in a transcription by Anthony Sirianni for violin and piano.
- **Franck Sonata for Violin and Piano in A Major** - Considered one of the finest sonatas for violin and piano, César Franck composed this work as a wedding present for his young bride, violinist Eugène Ysaÿe. The sonata is known for its deftly balanced violin and piano parts and for its cyclic form.
- **Chausson Piano Trio in g minor** - Ernest Chausson's trio is a hidden treasure of great beauty and significant craft. The work melds together the rich and virtuosic sounds of piano with dynamic sounds of violin and cello and possesses penchant for the cyclic form known of his mentor and friend César Franck.



Kate Ransom,  
violin



Lawrence Stomberg,  
cello



Augustine Mercante,  
countertenor



Victor Asuncion,  
piano

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

**WHERE:** Gore Recital Hall: Roselle Center for the Arts, UD campus, 110 Orchard Rd, Newark, DE

**TICKETS:** \$15 adults, \$10 seniors, UD staff & alumni, \$5 students, cash or check at the door



### **Upcoming Serafin Concerts**

**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  
Free, donations welcome

**Wednesday, May 8, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. - The Music School of Delaware presents Serafin String Quartet & Friends**  
Performances by Serafin String Quartet; Amos Fayette, violin; Genia Maslov, violin; Luigi Mazzocchi, violin; Kate Ransom, violin; Maria Rusu, viola; and Liliya Maslov, piano  
Program includes Enescu Nocturne Ville d'Avrayen, Grieg Violin Sonata in C minor, Op. 45, Schumann String Quartet in A major, Op. 41, No. 3 and Shostakovich Five Pieces for two violins and piano  
Wilmington Branch, 4101 Washington St, Wilmington, DE  
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  
Program includes Haydn Duo for violin and viola; Gaspar Cassado Preludio-Fantasia (A Zarabanda) for solo cello; Max Reger Sonata for Solo Viola; Lipinski "Caprice" Op. 29, No. 3; Leclair Duo for two violins in e minor; and Beethoven String Quartet in C Minor, Op. 18, No. 4.  
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 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.serafinquartet.org/summer](http://www.serafinquartet.org/summer).