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The Serafins present Sibling Rivalry Surprise live and virtual concert August 22 and 25

(Wilmington, Del.) June 25, 2020 – The Music School of Delaware presents [Serafin Ensemble](#) in a one-of-a-kind live and virtual concert titled ***Sibling Rivalry Surprise! LIVE – on Saturday, August 22, 2020, at 5:00 p.m.*** The performance will broadcast in a virtual event on Tuesday, August 25, 2020, at 7:00 p.m.

Three dynamic brother-sister duos team up for a virtuoso display of violin and piano finesse, fun and friendly feuding. The spirited performance features highly acclaimed sibling artists Julie and David Coucheron; Helen and Michael Kim; and Kate and William Ransom.

- [Julie Coucheron](#): The Atlanta-based pianist hails from Norway and is a sought-after collaborating artist, teacher and pedagogue who serves on the faculty at Kennesaw State University.
- [David Coucheron](#): The Norwegian-born virtuoso violinist was the youngest concertmaster appointed to a major U.S. orchestra when he joined the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra in 2010.
- [Helen Kim](#): The violinist made her orchestral debut with the Calgary Philharmonic at the age of six. She is currently the Assistant Concertmaster of the Atlanta Opera Orchestra and serves on the faculty at Kennesaw State University.
- [Michael Kim](#): Hailed as one of Canada’s finest concert pianists, Kim is an accomplished recitalist and chamber musician, and serves as director and professor of music at the University of Minnesota Department of Music.
- [Kate Ransom](#): A distinguished violinist, chamber musician, recitalist and teacher who has presented hundreds of concerts in major concert halls globe, Ransom serves as artistic director of Serafin Ensemble and Serafin Summer Music, and president of The Music School of Delaware.
- [William Ransom](#): Pianist, artistic director, master teacher, editor and judge, Ransom serves on the faculty at Emory University and as artistic director of the Highlands-Cashiers Chamber Music Festival.

Serafin Ensemble performs a *Sibling Rivalry Surprise!*

Live concert on Saturday, August 22, 2020, at 5:00 p.m. - Virtual concert on August 25 at 7:00 p.m.

Features sibling artists Julie and David Coucheron, piano and violin; Helen and Michael Kim, violin and piano; and Kate and William Ransom, violin and piano.

Repertoire includes works by Brahms, de Falla, Bizet, Rachmaninoff, W.F. Bach, Hermann and Moszkowski.

The concert will be held at The Music School of Delaware - Wilmington Concert Hall, 4101 Washington Street, Wilmington, DE.

Tickets are \$20, includes both the live and virtual performances. Online ticket sales begin on July 15 at www.musicschoolofdelaware.org.

About Serafin Ensemble

Serafin Ensemble, “The Serafins,” is a group of internationally acclaimed performing artists (string, wind, piano and vocalists) devoted to collaborative chamber music performances of repertoire for up to eight players. The ensemble evolved from the former Serafin String Quartet and continues the nearly two-decade-long Serafin legacy of passionate commitment to presenting



exceptional performances of small ensemble repertoire. Serafin Ensemble artists have been heralded around the globe for concerts and recordings, acclaimed in the press, and received international prizes and awards. Their current and former affiliations and distinctions are impressive and include: “official Steinway artist;” Fulbright scholar; performances with Chamber Music Society of Lincoln Center, Alexander, Attacca, Oxford, Serafin and Vega String Quartets, “Alarm Will Sound,” Boston Chamber Orchestra, I Musici de Montreal, Del’Arte Wind Quintet; prizes from the London String Quartet Competition and Concert Artists Guild; participation in summer programs such as Aspen, Aria, Banff, Brevard, Casals, Chataqua, Ravinia, Spoleto and Tanglewood; appearances on NPR’s Performance Today, St. Paul Sunday Morning, WQXR, WRTI, Radio France, and National Radio of China; and degrees from major music schools including Juilliard, Peabody, Yale, Indiana, New England and Boston Conservatories, Royal Academy of Music, Mannes, Michigan, Eastman, and the Longy School. Serafin Ensemble takes its name from master violin maker, Sanctus Serafin, who in 1728 crafted the violin currently played by Serafin founder and Artistic Director, Kate Ransom. The Serafin String Quartet thrived for over two decades thanks, in part, to generous support from Dr. William J. Stegeman, Ph.D. For more information, please visit www.serafinensemble.org.