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Serafin String Quartet March Concerts at The Arts at Trinity and Mauch Chunk Opera House

(Wilmington, Del.) February 24, 2015 – [Serafin String Quartet](#) will perform at **The Arts at Trinity on Saturday, March 21** and **Mauch Chunk Opera House on Sunday, March 22**.

The Quartet returns to [The Arts at Trinity](#) for a concert featuring works by Beethoven and Schubert. Beethoven's late quartet, Op. 135, and Schubert's "Death and the Maiden" are monuments of the quartet repertoire, and each will make up one half of the program. The Arts at Trinity is a free community arts series launched in 2011 that presents multi-genre arts performances at Trinity Episcopal Church in Wilmington. The series is generously underwritten by Jackson ImmunoResearch.

The Serafin Quartet travels to [Mauch Chunk Opera House](#) in Jim Thorpe, Pa. for a concert titled “**Nordic Journey**” with Conrad Erb, guest narrator. The program offers a behind the scenes tour of Norway’s most celebrated composer, Edvard Grieg, whose use of Norwegian folk music in his compositions gained international recognition for Norway. The Quartet will perform Grieg Quartet in g minor interspersed with readings of the epic adventure tale of Peer Gynt by Grieg's Norwegian compatriot, Henrik Ibsen.

Serafin String Quartet March Concerts

Saturday, March 21 at 7:30 p.m.

The Arts at Trinity

Works by Beethoven and Schubert

Free

Trinity Episcopal Church, 1108 North Adams Street, Wilmington, DE

Sunday, March 22 at 3:00 p.m.

Mauch Chunk Opera House

“Nordic Journey”

Tickets \$20, purchase online at <http://mcohjt.com/?shows=serafin-string-quartet>

Mauch Chunk Opera House, 14 West Broadway, Jim Thorpe PA 18229

Please visit www.serafinquartet.org for more information.

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 (2013) release featuring world premiere recordings of early chamber works by Pulitzer Prize-winning composer Jennifer Higdon was listed as "Top 10 Classical Albums for 2013" by Philadelphia's *City Paper*. The Quartet's debut recording on Centaur (2010) is an "American Tapestry" of works by American composers and composers influenced by American sounds, including Barber, Dvorák, Gershwin and William Grant Still. 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 www.serafinquartet.org.

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