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SERAFIN STRING QUARTET PREVIEWS 2012-2013 SEASON

(WILMINGTON, DEL.) August 23, 2012 – [Serafin String Quartet](#)'s upcoming season will feature the addition of new violist Esme Allen-Creighton; continuation in the role of *Ensemble in Residence* at the University of Delaware; collaborations with outstanding guest artists; a visiting residency to Dickinson College; and a calendar of varied concerts.

The Serafins will open the 2012-2013 season at [Kennett Flash](#) on September 22, 2012. The themed concert, titled "*Quartet Time Machine – From Haydn to Higdon*," will feature a collage of short selections by various composers through music history from the 1700s to today. Kennett Flash is a project of Historic Kennett Square, a non-profit 501(c)3, whose mission is to actively support and enrich community vitality.

Serafin String Quartet will return to [The Arts at Trinity](#) to open and close the 2012-2013 season with concerts on October 20, 2012 and April 20, 2013. The concerts will include performances with guest pianists Victor Santiago Asuncion and Julie Nishimura. The Arts at Trinity is a free community arts series launched in 2011 that presents multi-genre arts performances of music, visual arts and drama at Trinity Episcopal Church in Wilmington.

Also during this 2012-2013 season, Serafin String Quartet anticipates the release of their next recording on the Naxos label featuring the early chamber works by Jennifer Higdon. Cellist Larry Stomberg adds, "The release will certainly punctuate our year showing a different side of Serafin and an interesting reflection on the early style of a great living composer."

For more information and a calendar of events, please visit www.serafinquartet.org.

Serafin String Quartet Upcoming Concerts

Saturday, September 22, 2012 – 8:00pm

Kennett Flash presents Serafin String Quartet

Kennett Flash, 102 Sycamore Alley, Kennett Square, PA

Collage concert "*Quartet Time Machine – From Haydn to Higdon*" features works by Haydn, Mozart, Beethoven, Ravel, Martinu and Higdon

Tickets: \$15 in advance, \$18 at the door, book online at www.kennettflash.org

Saturday, October 20, 2012

The Arts at Trinity presents Serafin String Quartet along with guest pianist Victor Santiago Asuncion

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

Featuring *Mozart Divertimento in D K.136 (I)*; *Beethoven Op. 74*; and *Dohnanyi Piano Quintet in c minor*

Admission is free, donations welcome

The logo features a large, stylized blue letter 'S' that loops around itself. To the right of the 'S', the words 'SERAFIN STRING QUARTET' are written in a blue, serif, all-caps font. A horizontal blue line is positioned below the text.

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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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