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Announcing Serafin Ensemble

(Wilmington, Del.) April 12, 2019 - The new [Serafin Ensemble](#), “The Serafins,” consists 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.

The Serafin Ensemble roster of artists from across the nation includes: [Kate Ransom](#), violinist and artistic director; [Amos Fayette](#), violin; [Hal Grossman](#), violin; [Luke Fleming](#), viola; [Charae Krueger](#), cello; [Guang Wang](#), cello; [Miles Brown](#), double bass; [Victor Santiago Asuncion](#), piano; [Eileen Grycky](#), flute; [John David Smith](#), horn; and [Augustine Mercante](#), countertenor.

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: 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.

In May, Serafin String Quartet will perform its final concerts at The Arts at Trinity on Sunday, May 5 at 4:00 p.m. and The Music School of Delaware on Wednesday, May 8 at 7:00 p.m. The Milton Theatre presents Serafin Ensemble for their first concert on Sunday, May 19 at 7:30 p.m. The Serafins May concerts are designated as [National Chamber Music Month](#) events. The month-long series of performances, residencies and chamber music events will showcase ensemble music of all styles, including early, classical, jazz, and world music.

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; 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>

Serafin Summer Music - June 20-30, 2019

8 scintillating performances by 18 accomplished artists

presented at The Music School of Delaware - Wilmington Branch

in partnership with The University of Delaware Department of Music

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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 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.serafinensemble.org.