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Serafin String Quartet Is Joined By Noted Violinist Lisa Vaupel

(Wilmington, Del.) June 19, 2013 – **Serafin String Quartet** names **Lisa Vaupel** as the Quartet's new permanent violinist. Ms. Vaupel was selected following a year-long, nationwide search, and joins current members Kate Ransom, *violin*; Lawrence Stomberg, *cello*; and Esme Allen-Creighton, *viola*. The Serafins are *Quartet in Residence* at the University of Delaware.

Ms. Vaupel's first public appearances with the Quartet will be in September - on Saturday, September 7 at the University of Delaware's Gala, and then on Saturday, September 21 at World Cafe Live at The Queen for a noontime concert titled "Musical Passport to Many Lands."

Lisa Vaupel brings to her new role as violinist with Serafin String Quartet extensive experience as chamber musician and orchestral player. Winner of the 2010 Delaware Symphony's Albert Beekhuis Award, she serves as Principal Second Violin of the Delaware Symphony Orchestra and Associate Concertmaster of Opera Delaware. Ms. Vaupel plays regularly with Opera Company of Philadelphia and the Pennsylvania Ballet Orchestra, and is featured as a guest artist on the World Cafe's Live Connections Bridges programs. Devoted to working with young musicians and young audiences, Ms. Vaupel serves as Teaching Artist for the Philadelphia Orchestra's School Partnership Program and is a faculty member at Goucher College. She received her Bachelor of Music degree with High Distinction from Indiana University, Bloomington, and earned her Master of Music degree from the Peabody Conservatory.

"Our work with Lisa is already underway. She is a wonderful addition to the Quartet in all respects and we have been energized by her enthusiasm and excitement about the future together," comments Serafin cellist Lawrence Stomberg.

"Playing with a Quartet of this caliber has been a lifelong aspiration for me," says Lisa Vaupel. "We have just begun our work but I already feel the inspiration and commitment of these tremendous musicians."

UPCOMING SERAFIN STRING QUARTET PERFORMANCES

Saturday, September 7, 2013 at 8pm

University of Delaware Music Department Gala
Mitchell Hall - University of Delaware, Newark, DE <http://www.music.udel.edu/>

Saturday, September 21, 2013 at 12noon

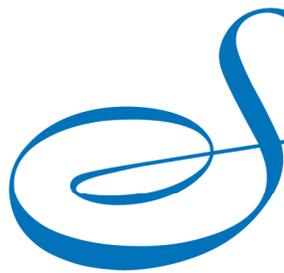
Collage Concert: "Musical Passport – Music of Many Lands"
World Cafe Live at the Queen- Wilmington, DE
Doors open at 11am for a la carte brunch, performance begins at 12pm
Tickets are on sale now at <http://queentickets.worldcafelive.com/>

Sunday, September 29, 2013 at 7:30pm

World Cafe Live – Philadelphia
SSQ Season Preview Concert and CD Release Party!
With special guest, Jennifer Higdon, composer
Doors open at 6:30 for a la carte dinner menu, show begins at 7:30pm
Tickets on sale now at <http://tickets.worldcafelive.com/>

About the Serafin String Quartet

Naxos will release the Serafin Quartet's most recent recording in July 2013. Their debut recording in 2010 was 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 sellout crowds at repeat performances in New York City's Weill Recital Hall at Carnegie Hall. Serafin String Quartet



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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.