



ROCKPORT MUSIC

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ROCKPORT CHAMBER MUSIC FESTIVAL

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Rockport Chamber Music Festival Opens June 6 with the Boston-area debut of the new Emerson String Quartet with cellist Paul Watkins

Festival Week 1

On **Friday, June 6** at 7 pm, the **Emerson String Quartet** with new cellist Paul Watkins will perform for the Opening Night Gala of the 33rd Annual Rockport Chamber Music Festival. Performing Shostakovich's Quartet No. 13 and Schubert's Quartet in D minor, D.810 *Death and the Maiden*, the Emerson Quartet will perform these works in which the Quartet has received rave reviews for its New York performances this past spring. The evening's honorees are Mollie and John Byrnes. Concert Only Tickets are \$95.

On **Saturday, June 7** at 8 pm, **violinist Stefan Jackiw and pianist Anna Polonsky** perform Mozart's Sonata in B-flat Major, K. 454, Lutoslawski's Partita for violin and piano, Saariaho's Nocturne (in Memory of Lutoslawski) and Brahms's Sonata No. 3 in D minor, Op. 108. Jackiw is hailed by the *Washington Post* as "talent that's off the scale" and Polonsky was a recipient of the 2003 Borletti-Buitoni Trust Fellowship and the 2011 Andrew Wolf Chamber Music Award. *The New York Times* hailed that Polonsky "...played with sweep, color and authority, and the entire performance was vibrant and exciting."

A Pre-Concert Talk is held for concert attendees at 7 pm. Tickets: \$39-\$58

On **Sunday, June 8** at 5 pm, **cellist David Finckel and pianist Wu Han** perform Bach's Sonata for viola da gamba and keyboards, No. 1 in G major, BWV 1027, Beethoven's Sonata in C major, Op. 102, No. 1, Mendelssohn's Sonata in D major, Op. 58, No. 2, Debussy's Sonata in D minor and Britten's Sonata in C major, Op. 65. Named *Musical America's* 2012 Musicians of the Year, Finckel and Han rank among the most esteemed and influential classical musicians in the world today. In addition to their extensive performance and recording activities, their roles as educators, organizational leaders, and cultural entrepreneurs place them among the classical music community's most prominent innovators.

Tickets: \$45-\$78

Festival Week 2

The second week of the Festival continues on **Thursday, June 12** at 8 pm with the **Borromeo Quartet** performing Ravel's Sonata for violin and cello, Bartók's Quartet No. 4 and joined by cellist Laurence Lesser for Schubert's Quintet in C major, D.956. The Quartet-in-Residence with the New England Conservatory of Music as well as the Isabella Stuart Gardner Museum, the Borromeo has won numerous

awards including Lincoln Center's Martin E. Segal Award, Chamber Music America's Cleveland Quartet Award and the Young Concert Artists International Auditions, as well as top prizes at the International String Quartet Competition in Evian, France. Tickets: \$45-\$65

On **Friday, June 13** at 8 pm, **pianist Charlie Albright** performs Schubert's Impromptus, Op. 90, No. 2 and No. 3, Janaček's Sonata I.X. 1095 (From the Street), a Schulz-Evler arrangement of themes from Strauss' "On the Beautiful Blue Danube," Chopin's Etudes, Op. 25 and an arrangement of Mozart's Rondo alla Turca, K. 331. Winner of the prestigious 2010 Gilmore Young Artist Award and the 2009 Young Concert Artists International Auditions, Albright is hailed by *The Washington Post* as, "among the most gifted musicians of his generation" and the *New York Times* for his "jaw-dropping technique and virtuosity meshed with a distinctive musicality."

The evening's activities also include a Dinner with David (Artistic Director David Deveau hosts a discussion during a 3-course dinner with pianist Charlie Albright) at 5:45 pm (cost \$35/each) and a Pre-Concert Talk for concert attendees begins at 7 pm. Concert Tickets: \$31-\$52

On **Saturday, June 14** at 8 pm, the concert **David Deveau & Friends** will feature violinist Andrés Cárdenes, violist Yinzi Kong, cellist Sophie Shao, and Artistic Director and pianist David Deveau. The concert program includes Beethoven's Piano Quartet in E-flat, Op. 16, Jean Francaix's String Trio and Faure's Piano Quartet in C minor, Op.15. The star-studded ensemble includes **Cárdenes**, who is a Grammy nominee, Second Prize winner of the 1982 Tchaikovsky International Violin Competition and President of the Jury of the Stradivarius International Violin Competition. **Kong** is a founding member of the internationally-acclaimed Vega Quartet, which is Quartet-in-Residence at Emory University. **Shao** won the prestigious Avery Fisher Career Grant and has won top prizes at both the Rostropovich and Tchaikovsky competitions. **Deveau** is artistic director of Rockport Music, an internationally acclaimed pianist and a senior lecturer at MIT. Pre-Concert Talk for concert attendees begins at 7 pm. Tickets: \$49-\$68

On **Sunday, June 15** at 5 pm, the **Parker Quartet** performs Haydn's Quartet in F Minor, Op.20, No.5, Dutilleux's *Ainsi la nuit* and is joined by BSO bassist Thomas van Dyck for Dvorák's Quintet for string quartet and bass in G major, Op. 77. *The New York Times* hailed the quartet as "something extraordinary," and the *Boston Globe* acclaims their "pinpoint precision and spectacular sense of urgency." Recipient of a Chamber Music America commissioning grant, the Quartet holds teaching and performance residencies at the University of South Carolina and the University of St. Thomas, and were the first-ever Artists-in-Residence with Minnesota Public Radio. Tickets: \$45-\$65

COMMUNITY (FREE) EVENTS

On **Friday, June 13** at 1 pm, experience master teacher, violinist and conductor Andrés Cárdenes working with young violin and viola students in a special master class open to the public.

On **Saturday, June 14** at 10 am, explore the music and dance of the culturally rich Andes! The musicians of Inkas Wasi will perform traditional Andean music and demonstrate the instruments such as the *chakchas*, *palo de lluvia*, *Sikusm Quena* and *Charango*. Inkas Wasi has provided concerts and educational programs to over 100 schools across the United States. Free, no tickets required.

The Rockport Chamber Music Festival continues through July 13 with performances by the Calder Quartet, the Boston Symphony Chamber Players, pianist Joyce Yang, the all-male *a cappella* ensemble

Chanticleer, as well as a brand new series of **“Rising Stars”** highlighting tremendously talented, young musicians including Russian pianist Daria Rabotkina, the Neave Trio and the Donald Sinta Sax Quartet (at an affordable price). Concluding on July 13 with the Imani Winds, please visit our website www.rockportmusic.org for more details on these and other concerts in the 33rd Annual Rockport Chamber Music Festival.

The summer will also include many jazz, folk, world and pop concerts throughout the months of July and August. Tickets are available through our website www.rockportmusic.org, the Box Office at 978-546-7391 or visiting 35 Main Street, Rockport, MA. The Box Office is open Monday-Friday, 10 am-4 pm.

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