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Serafin String Quartet November Concerts

(Wilmington, Del.) October 15, 2014 – [Serafin String Quartet](#) will perform November concerts at Delaware and Pennsylvania venues including [Kennett Flash](#), [University of Delaware](#), [Archmere Academy](#), [Mauch Chunk Opera House](#) in Jim Thorpe, Pa., and [The Music School of Delaware](#).

Wednesday, November 5 at 7:30pm

"Sip and Savor with the Serafins" at Kennett Flash

Take a "Nordic Journey" with the Serafins for a behind the scenes tour of Norway's most celebrated composer, Edvard Grieg. Distinctive Norwegian idioms accent this friendly and exciting work.

Kennett Flash, 102 Sycamore Alley, Kennett Square, PA 19348

Tickets are \$15 advance/\$18 door, available for purchase online www.kennettflash.org

Friday, November 7 at 8:00pm

University of Delaware presents *Quartet in Residence* Serafin String Quartet with pianist Julie Nishimura in a fall concert featuring Mozart String Quartet in d minor, K. 421, Janáček String Quartet No. 2 "Intimate Letters," and Schumann Piano Quintet in Eb Major, Op. 44.

Gore Recital Hall, Roselle Center for Performing Arts at University of Delaware

Tickets are \$15 adults, \$10 UD faculty/staff/alumni & seniors; \$5 students, and are available at the door. Cash or check only.

Sunday, November 9 at 3:00 p.m.

The Helena Springer Green Raskob Concert Series presents Serafin String Quartet

The Patio Courtyard at Archmere Academy, 3600 Philadelphia Pike, Claymont, Delaware

\$35 per adult, \$20 per student

Proceeds benefit the restoration projects in The Patio.

Register by November 3 by calling 302-798-6632 ext. 706.

Sunday, November 16 at 3:00 p.m.

Serafin String Quartet Concert

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

The concert program features Andrew Norman's "Sabina" from his "Companion Guide to Rome," a finalist for the 2012 Pulitzer Prize in music. Norman joined Opera Philadelphia as composer in residence in 2013. Also on the program are Mozart d minor Quartet, K.421 and Debussy g minor Quartet.

Doors open 2:30pm, concert 3:00 p.m.

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

Wednesday, November 19 at 7:00pm

Music Masters: Spirit of the Season – A Thank You Concert

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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Members of Serafin String Quartet will perform Schumann Piano Quartet in Eb Major with guest pianist Read Gainsford. The program also includes Peter Schickele's Little Suite for Autumn for violin and viola and Romanza for Four Violas by Christopher Lowry. Serafin Quartet members will collaborate with Music School faculty members Shelley Beard, *viola*; Nina Cottman, *viola*; and special guest Marka Stepper, *viola*. Proceeds benefit financial aid scholarships and the Anthony G. Simmons Scholarship Fund at The Music School of Delaware.

The Music School of Delaware, Wilmington Branch, 4101 Washington Street, Wilmington, DE 19802

Tickets: \$10 adults; \$5 seniors & students, call 302-762-1132 to purchase or visit <http://www.brownpapertickets.com/event/858884>.

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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