EMORY CHAMBER MUSIC SOCIETY OF ATLANTA

Now celebrating its 27th season of excellence, the Southeast’s largest and most active chamber music organization brings together some of the city’s finest resident musicians with internationally known guest artists who are dedicated to performing the most delightful, exciting, and interesting music from the chamber repertoire in some of the most acoustically and visually beautiful spaces in Atlanta. Guests have included Yo-Yo Ma, Richard Stoltzman, Alan Gilbert, Dave Brubeck, William Preucil, Eliot Fisk, Robert Spano, and many others.

The mission of the Emory Chamber Music Society of Atlanta (ECMSA) is to create new generations of passionate and educated music lovers who will cherish and support this great art forever. In addition to presenting an Emerson Evening, a Family, and the Cooke Noontime Concert Series at Emory, the ECMSA tours, participates in recording projects, the commissioning of new works, and numerous community outreach activities. Education is the integral part of the ECMSA’s mission, and members teach in a wide variety of ways throughout the university and greater community, coach student chamber music ensembles, and give private lessons.

Emory’s String Quartet in Residence program, held by the international award-winning Vega String Quartet, lies at the heart of the ECMSA’s mission to spread this great music throughout the community, reaching audiences of all ages. The Vega is the first professional string quartet to ever make Atlanta its home base and as such, it is having a transformational effect on music education and performance throughout the area.

All ECMSA concerts this season will again be free of charge, making this great music available to all.

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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6 @ 4:00 P.M. Sibling Rivalry Three pairs of musical violinist/pianist siblings—Helena and Michael Kim, Julie and David Coucheron, and Kate and William Ransom, who have been “playing” together since childhood join forces for an evening of musical family fun.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17 @ 4:00 P.M. Songs of Norway: Music of Grieg, Sinding, and Halvorsen Norwegian violinist Julie and David Coucheron are joined by friends cellist Charae Krueger, violist Julianne Lee, tenor Bradley Howard, and pianist William Ransom to celebrate the beautiful music of their homeland.

BEETHOVEN 2020

SATURDAY, JANUARY 18 @ 10:00 A.M. An Overview of Beethoven’s Complete String Quartets Tharp Rehearsal Hall, Schwartz Center Lecture by Stephen A. Crist. The complete works for violin and piano and cello and piano are performed by Brice Andrus, French horn; Yang-Yoon Kim, viola; the Vega String Quartet, and pianist William Ransom.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 18 @ 8:00 P.M. Complete String Quartet Cycle, Program I The Vega String Quartet performs the quartets op. 15, op. 18, No. 4; and the op. 39, No. 1, “Rasumovsky.”

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 15 @ 1:00 P.M. Piano Master Class Tharp Rehearsal Hall, Schwartz Center Arthur Greene, Jonathan Shames, Rachelle McCabe; Jasmine Arakawa.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 16 (times below) Piano Sonata Thon I: The Complete Piano Sonatas in Consecutive Order @ 2:00 P.M. Piano Sonata Thon I: The Complete Piano Sonatas in Consecutive Order @ 2:00 P.M. Sonata Nos. 17–22: Alex Chen, Elena Cholakova, Alex Wasserman, Jack Li, Jasmine Lin, Norman Krieger @ 5:00 P.M. Sonata Nos. 23–28: Keiko Yamashita Ransom, Elizabeth Pridgen, Raffi Besalyan, Lilian Liu; Sara Wang, Alec Chien @ 8:00 P.M. Sonata Nos. 29–32; William Ransom, David Deveau, Michael Gurt

SUNDAY, MARCH 29 @ 4:00 P.M. Piano Master Class In Bluejeans! The Master himself makes a live appearance to talk about his life and to enjoy some of his favorite compositions performed for him by the Vega String Quartet and pianist William Ransom.

SUNDAY, MARCH 28 @ 8:00 P.M. Complete String Quartet Cycle, Program II The Vega String Quartet performs the quartets op. 95 “Razumovsky”, op. 18, No. 5, and op. 74, “Harp.”

SATURDAY, APRIL 26 @ 4:00 P.M. Complete String Quartet Cycle, Program III The Vega String Quartet performs the quartets op. 18, No. 6; op. 18, No. 13; and op. 130 with rondo.

SUNDAY, MAY 10 @ 1:30 P.M. @ MILLER-WARD ALUMNI HOUSE Cherry Emerson Memorial Alumni Concert Join some of Emory’s finest musicians as they return to campus to perform with one of our most accomplished graduating seniors during commencement weekend.

FAMILY SERIES @ THE CARLOS MUSEUM

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20 @ 4:00 P.M. Just Jazzin’ Around The Gary Motley Trio introduces young audiences to the quintessential American musical art form in this fun and interactive performance.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 13 @ 4:00 P.M. Santa’s Favorite Chamber Music ECMAS welcomes back Santa Claus himself to introduce and enjoy some of his favorite Christmas treats to good listeners.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 24 Sonatas for Piano and Violin and Piano and Cello American musical art form in this fun and interactive performance.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 14 Works for Piano and Violin and Piano and Cello Sasi Zhang, violin, makes her noontime debut along with Israeli-born cellist Roy Hansen, with William Ransom, piano. The program includes the Violin Sonata No. 3 and Romance in F and Variations for Cello.

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FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 20 Mozart @ the Museum Mozart’s Piano Quartet in E-flat Major and the Horn Quintet are performed by Brice Andrus, French horn; Yang-Yoon Kim, viola; the Vega String Quartet, and pianist William Ransom.

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