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Please join us for Coleman's celebration of music this season, which features three string quartets (one an old friend visiting for the last time, another a Coleman Competition winner), a piano trio, a wind guartet plus piano, and a barogue chamber orchestra.

Physicist and futurist Michio Kaku has said it best: "What is the universe? The universe is a symphony of vibrating strings... We are nothing but melodies. We are nothing but cosmic music played out on vibrating strings and membranes."

All concerts are presented on Sundays at 3:30 p.m. in Caltech's Beckman Auditorium.

PARKING IS FREE. Parking is available in the structures at 341 and 405 South Wilson Avenue. Handicapped parking only is available in the lot north of Beckman Auditorium, accessible from Michigan Avenue.

'MUSIC OF THE SPHERES' is a somewhat whimsical translation of *musica universalis* (literally universal music). Pythagoras proposed the concept, blending music, astronomy, and geometry. Aristotle disagreed, but today we know. As professor of astrophysics Bill Chaplin at the University of Birmingham explains, "Essentially stars resonate like a huge musical instrument."

Shakespeare understood this rather more lyrically, saying (in The Merchant of Venice) that "There's not the smallest orb which thou behold'st, but in his motion like an angel sings." Music is universal. It's everywhere, within us and without. We sing, we drum, and we play strings, winds, and brass...all to celebrate creation.



COLEMAN'S 117TH SEASON! **MUSIC OF THE SPHERES**

u	04.11.2021	David Finckel, Wu Han, and Philip Setzer
	Beethoven	Piano Trio in E-flat Major, Op. 1, No. 1
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Z	Beethoven	Piano Trio in B-flat Major, Op. 97, "Archduke"
	01.10.2021	Dover String Quartet
	Haydn	Quartet No. 61 in D minor, Op. 76, No. 2, "Quinten"
	Shostakovich	Quartet No. 8 in C minor, Op. 110
	Dvořák	Quartet No. 13 in G Major, Op. 106
	01.31.2021	Calidore String Quartet "Schubert in Bohemia"
	Dvořák	Quartet No. 12 in F Major, Op. 96, "American"
	Janáček	Quartet No. 1, "Kreutzer Sonata"
	Schubert	Quartet No. 15 in G Major, Op. 161, D. 887
	02.21.2021	Pražák String Quartet
	Haydn	Quartet in F Major, Op. 77, No. 2
	Martinů	Quartet No. 7, H.314, "Concerto da Camera"
	Smetana	Quartet No. 1 in E minor, Op. 116, "From My Life"
	03.07.2021	Tafelmusik Baroque Orchestra <i>"Passions of the Soul"</i>
	Leclair	Overture to Scylla et Glaucus
	Vivaldi	Concerto for Bassoon in D minor, RV 481
	Locatelli	Concerto in E-flat Major, Op. 7, No. 6, "The Lament of Ariadne"
	Lalande	Chaconne from Les Fontaines de Versailles, S. 133
	Telemann	Suite in B-flat Major, TWV 55:B11 "La Bourse"
	Bach	Concerto for three Violins in D Major, after BWV 1064
	Vivaldi	Concerto for two Oboes in C Major, RV 534
	03.28.2021	Academy of St Martin in the Fields Wind Ensemble
	Poulenc	Trio for Oboe, Bassoon, and Piano, FP 43
	Brahms	Sonata for Clarinet and Piano in E-flat Major, Op. 120, No. 2
	Schulhoff	Divertissement for Oboe, Clarinet, and Bassoon
	Beethoven	Quintet for Winds and Piano in E-flat Major, Op. 16
	Schulhoff	Divertissement for Oboe, Clarinet, and Bassoon

Artists, dates, and programs are subject to change. No refunds or exchanges on season tickets.

David Finckel. Wu Han. and Philip Setzer

The stellar musicians in this trio shine equally brightly. Cellist David Finckel and pianist Wu Han are the music directors of the Chamber Music Society of Lincoln Center; violinist Philip Setzer is a founding member of the Emerson String Quartet, as was David Finckel. "Their ensemble is seamless," said the *Washington Post.* In addition to performing and recording, these artists are also educators, innovators, and advocates.

The San Diego Union-Tribune praised the luminous trio's "wonderful...resonant...and compelling" artistry and the St. Paul Pioneer Press noted that this ensemble is also "almost as much fun to watch as to hear."

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Calidore String Quartet

Its name is a tribute to its original home, an amalgam of California and *doré*, which is French for "golden," as in the Golden State.

Within two years of its founding at the Colburn School of Music in Los Angeles, the Quartet won grand prizes in virtually every U.S. chamber music competition (including Coleman), and has since performed in major venues throughout North America, Europe, and Asia. It is currently in residence with the Chamber Music Society of Lincoln Center's Bowers Program.

Calidore is renowned for its cohesive music-making. "Four more individual musicians are unimaginable," the Washington Post observed. "Yet these speak, breathe, think, and feel as one." **Dvořák** — Quartet No. 12 in F Major, Op. 96, "American"

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Finckel, Han, and Setzer (photo by Christian Steiner)

Dover String Quartet

01.10.2021 **Dover String Quartet**

As Strings Magazine observed after this "young American string" quartet of the moment" (*New Yorker*) won every prize at the Banff Competition, received an Avery Fisher Career Grant, and was named a Cleveland Quartet Award-winner, the Dover Quartet's ascent to chamber music's uppermost firmament has been "practically meteoric."

The Dover, whose name pays tribute to *Dover Beach* by fellow Curtis alumnus Samuel Barber, is quartet in residence for the Kennedy Center, Chamber Music Northwest, Artosphere, the Amelia Island Chamber Music Festival, Peoples' Symphony in New York, and the Bienen School of Music at Northwestern University.

"With their exceptional interpretative maturity, tonal refinement, and taut ensemble," Strad concluded, Dover is "pulling away from their peers."

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Pražák String Quartet

Founded in 1972 by students at the Prague Conservatory, the celebrated Pražák String Quartet (Pražák means 'Prague resident') has performed at concert halls and festivals worldwide for nearly 50 years. It has also released more than 50 award-winning recordings.

"Simply put, the Pražák Quartet is one of the world's finest ensembles," said *ClassicsToday*. The *BBC Music Magazine* added that "The Pražák Quartet's...playing is not only dramatic, but astonishingly beautiful...These are truly remarkable performances which stand with the very finest."

This performance will be our opportunity to bid the ensemble farewell, as it has announced that this will be its final North American tour.

The Academy's Wind Ensemble is a new adventure for its musicians. Principal clarinetist James Burke says that "We've done relatively little all-wind stuff, or wind and piano stuff... so it's going to be a real treat to do some of that. It's some of my favorite music... piano-winds, it's just amazing. It's one of the best things I've ever played."

Pianist and conductor Simon Crawford-Phillips joins these artists to make music that the *Washington Post* has called "luminous, often breathtaking." Sharing these experiences with audiences is what the Milwaukee Sentinel wonderfully described as "good reason to turn off the stereo and go to a real live concert."

03.07.2021 Tafelmusik Baroque Orchestra

Music for feasting... Tafelmusik is a name that for almost four decades has been synonymous with dynamic and engaging performances that provide feasts for the soul. Masters of transporting audiences to the worlds of their period instruments, these musicians constantly seek ways to illuminate the vibrant artistry of the Baroque era.

This Toronto-based ensemble has performed in over 350 cities in 32 countries and amongst its numerous honors, the most distinctive may well be the naming of asteroid "197856 Tafelmusik."

A reviewer for *The Globe & Mail* wrote that "[The] audience just stayed put, unwilling or unable to leave ... I've never quite seen anything like it."

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Tafelmusik Baroque Orchestra (photo by Cylla von Tiedemann)

Academy of St Martin in the Fields Wind Ensemble Simon Crawford Phillips, pianist

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