LONDON CHAMBER MUSIC SOCIETY AT KINGS PLACE

Welcome to the 2015-2016 London Chamber Music Sunday Series – our eighth year at Kings Place. Our weekly concerts begin with the famous Wihan Quartet in a concert celebrating their 30th birthday. The autumn season also includes the wonderful Fine Arts, Afiara and Chilingirian quartets. The Fine Arts Quartet, one of America's most celebrated quartets, perform Schubert's mighty Death and the Maiden, and are joined by accordionist Friedrich Lips to form a fascinating quintet of wind and strings. The award-winning Afiara Quartet from Canada will be joined by clarinetist James Campbell in a concert to include Mozart's beautiful Clarinet Quintet.

In November, the Chilingirians embark on an historic series of six concerts to mark the 70th anniversary of Bartók's death by reconstructing the first ever complete cycle of Bartók quartets in the UK – an exciting project that couples each Bartók work with quartets by Mozart and Beethoven, following the original plan from 1949. Professor Amanda Bayley, distinguished Bartók scholar, will preface each concert with a talk.

The famous Wallfisch-York duo will present four wonderful cello sonatas. We also have the first event in an exciting new collaboration between the LCMS and the Park Lane Group, founded 60 years ago to promote young artists at the beginning of their professional careers, this concert

featuring Schubert's Octet, a delightful miniature by Glazunov and Mozart's Horn Quintet.

Other autumn highlights include two piano trios, the Fidelio and the Rosamunde. The Fidelio Trio performs Beethoven's evocative *Ghost* and Ravel's magical piano trio as well as the premiere of a fascinating new work by Irish composer Benjamin Dwyer. The celebrated Rosamunde Trio performs Mozart, Chausson, and is joined by the viola soloist Paul Silverthorne – principal in both the LSO and London Sinfonietta – in Brahms's ever-popular G minor Piano Quartet.

The autumn season concludes with a large concert, the Cambridge University Chamber Orchestra under Howard Shelley in three great masterworks – Mozart's Haffner Symphony, Beethoven's second piano concerto and Mendelssohn's Italian symphony.

I'm sure it's going to be a great season, with much more to come in December and the New Year – I look forward to seeing you there.

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Dr Peter Fribbins, Artistic Director London Chamber Music Society

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WIHAN QUARTET
30TH ANNIVERSARY CONCERT

11 OCTOBER FIDELIO TRIO

18 OCTOBER

RAPHAEL WALLFISCH (CELLO) AND JOHN YORK (PIANO)

5 OCTOBER

PARK LANE GROUP YOUNG ARTISTS CONCERT

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Mozart String Quartet in G, K387 **Schubert** String Quartet in A minor, D804 Rosamunde

Beethoven String Quartet No. 15 in A minor Op. 132

The famous Czech Wihan Ouartet celebrates its 30th anniversary and opens the new LCMS season in a concert of great Viennese classics. Mozart's K₃87 Quartet, sometimes called the 'Spring', was composed in Vienna in 1782. Schubert's beautiful 'Rosamunde' Quartet was written there 40 years later, and premiered by the Schuppanzigh Quartet in 1824. At the end of the following year, in November 1825, the Schuppanzigh Quartet was to premiere Beethoven's late great masterpiece, his Op. 132.

11 OCTOBER **FIDELIO TRIO**

Beethoven Piano Trio in D, Op.70 No.1 Ghost Benjamin Dwyer Nocturnal, after

Benjamin Britten (world premiere) Ravel Piano Trio in A minor (1914)

The Fidelio Trio perform Beethoven's hugely popular *Ghost* trio, with its iconic eerie slow movement, and also Ravel's remarkably imaginative and colourful trio, premiered a century ago in Paris. They also give the premiere of Nocturnal by contemporary Irish composer Ben Dwyer, inspired by Britten's famous Nocturnal after John Dowland for solo guitar.

Pre-concert talk 5.15 pm, St Pancras Room

Peter Fribbins interviews composer Benjamin Dwyer about his new work and his interest in the music of Beniamin Britten.

18 OCTOBER

RAPHAEL WALLFISCH (CELLO) & JOHN YORK

(PIANO) Saint-Saëns Sonata No. 1 for cello and piano in C minor, Op. 32

Brahms (arr. Klengel) Sonata for cello and piano in D, Op. 78 **Debussy** Sonata for cello and piano in D minor, L135 (1915)

Prokofiev Sonata for cello and piano in C, Op. 119

Two extraordinary soloists come together for a selection of beautiful cello sonatas: from the 19th century, Saint-Saëns's First Sonata from 1872 and Brahms's famous G major Violin Sonata, composed in the same decade, and immediately transcribed for cello. Then two 20th-century masterworks: Debussy's magical cello sonata of 1915 and Prokofiev's late work in the genre, composed for the great virtuoso Rostropovich in 1949.

25 OCTOBER

PARK LANE **GROUP YOUNG ARTISTS** CONCERT

Glazunov *Rêverie orientale* for clarinet and string quartet, Op. 14 No. 2

Mozart Quintet for horn and strings in E flat, K407 Schubert Octet in F, D803

The first concert in an exciting new collaboration between the LCMS and the distinguished Park Lane Group. founded in 1956 to promote young artists at the beginning of their professional careers. This concert

features the Artesian Ouartet. Felix Lashmar on double bass, clarinetist Max Welford, Jonathan Davies on bassoon and Alex Hamilton on horn. These rising stars perform masterpieces such as Schubert's Octet, Mozart's Quintet for horn and strings and a rare gem by the Russian romantic Glazunov.

1 NOVEMBER AFIARA STRING **OUARTET** WITH JAMES

CAMPBELL (CLARINET)

Mendelssohn String Quartet in A minor, Op. 13 Fribbins Ouintet for clarinet and strings (2002) **Mozart** Ouintet for clarinet

and strings in A. K581 A rare opportunity to hear Canada's finest string quartet, on tour with the famous Canadian clarinettist lames Campbell. The Afiara Ouartet performs Mendelssohn's youthful quartet from the 1820s, and Mozart's sublime Clarinet Ouintet. one of the most expressive and best loved of clarinet works. To complement these, there's the passionate and melodic Clarinet Ouintet by Peter Fribbins.

8 NOVEMBER

CHILINGIRIAN OUARTET MOZART-BARTÓK-**BEETHOVEN SERIES**

Mozart String Quartet in D K575 Bartók String Quartet No. 1, Sz. 40 **Beethoven** String Quartet in A, Op. 18 No. 5

The first in an historic series given by the Chilingirian Quartet, commemorating the 70th anniversary of Bartók's death by reconstructing the first complete cycle of his guartets in the UK. Each of the six quartets is framed by one from another groundbreaking series, Beethoven's six Op. 18 quartets, and one of Mozart's mature quartets. The Hurwitz Quartet originally gave this concert in October 1949.

Pre-concert talk

5.15pm, St Pancras Room Professor Amanda Bayley, distinguished Bartók scholar and author of the Cambridge Companion to Bartók, discusses the composer's First String Quartet.

15 NOVEMBER

ROSAMUNDE PIANO TRIO WITH PAUL SILVERTHORNE (VIOLA)

Chausson Piano Trio in G minor, Op. 3 Mozart Piano Trio in E, K542 **Brahms** Piano Quartet No.1 in G minor, Op. 25

International soloists Martino Tirimo (piano), Ben Savevich (violin) and Daniel Veis (cello) come together to perform Mozart's beautiful E major trio, composed in 1788, and a trio by French Romantic composer Ernest Chausson, Paul Silverthorne principal viola in the LSO and London Sinfonietta – joins them for Brahms's powerful First Piano Quartet.

FREDERICK LIPS

for strings and accordion (2002)

Schubert String Ouartet in D minor.

perform Schubert's great Death and

the Maiden Quartet from the 1820s

and Haydn. In between, accordion

virtuoso Friedrich Lips joins them

for a quintet by Russian composer

Efrem Podgaits, written in 2002

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(ACCORDION)

Op.71 No.2

Haydn String Quartet in D,

Efrem Podgaits Quintet

CHAMBER 22 NOVEMBER **ORCHESTRA FINE ARTS QUARTET DIRECTED BY HOWARD SHELLEY** WITH

Mozart Symphony No. 35 in D, K385 Haffner

29 NOVEMBER

CAMBRIDGE

UNIVERSITY

Beethoven Piano Concerto No. 2 in B flat, Op. 19

Mendelssohn Symphony No. 4 in A, Op. 90 Italian

This talented young orchestra's last appearance in 2012 was a resounding success. For this concert, awardwinning pianist Howard Shelley directs them in three giants of the classical repertoire, Mozart's popular Haffner Symphony, Beethoven's Piano Concerto No. 2 (from the keyboard) and Mendelssohn's wonderfully exuberant Fourth Symphony, composed following his tour of Italy in 1830.

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