

Concert series ends season with Cecilia String Quartet

Caledon Chamber Concerts' final concert for the 2017-18 season takes place Friday, April 13, and will feature the award winning Cecilia String Quartet (CSQ).

CSQ has announced that it will disband after this season, so this concert will be one of the last opportunities to hear them.

Prize-winners at several international competitions, including Osaka (2008) and Bordeaux (2010), CSQ were awarded first prize at the 2010 Banff International String Quartet Competition (BISQC), where they also won the prize for the best performance of the commissioned work. Their commitment to new works can be seen through their project Celebrating Canadian Women in Music, a spotlight on a quartet of immensely talented female Canadian composers that involved four new commissions that CSQ premiered and performed across Canada, the United States and Europe.

Enthusiastic educators and mentors to the next generation of chamber musicians, CSQ members have held teaching posts at festivals, conservatories and universities across Canada and the United States, both as an ensemble and as individuals.

Deeply committed to outreach, CSQ began developing educational presentations on classical music and the string quartet while it served as String-Quartet-in-Residence at San Diego State University from 2007 to 2009. Since that time, the group has conducted hundreds of educational presentations across Canada, the United States, Italy and France. The Quartet has presented for a wide variety of organizations, such as the Monarch School for Homeless Youth, Veteran's Village for Homeless Veterans, Learning Through the Arts at the RCM, and the SLAC National Accelerator Laboratory. CSQ also developed a series of concerts called Xenia Concerts, that were customized to appeal to, and be welcoming of, children on the autism spectrum and their families.

The concert takes place at 7:30 p.m. at St. James' Anglican Church, Caledon East. Tickets are \$35 for adults and \$15 for students 16 years and younger and may be purchased in advance at Forster's Book Garden, Howard the Butcher and BookLore. A limited number of tickets will also be available at the door on the night of the performance.

For more information call 905-880-2445.



The Cecilia String Quartet will perform April 13 at the last offering of the season of the Caledon Chamber Concert Series.