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Omnia Vincit Amor
Everything is conquered by Love

[*Eclogues*, VIRGIL]

Labor Omnia Vincit
Labor conquers All [*Georgics*, VIRGIL]

Dear Friends,

The greatest masterworks of the classical chamber music repertoire usually come about through true "labor of love". Composers know that little fame - and even less fortune - is to be expected from producing string quartets, piano trios, and the like. But, in the long run, appreciation for a composer does accumulate, sometimes quickly, sometimes over the course of decades and even centuries. Every time a great work is performed and heard again, its creator comes a step closer to immortality. Naturally, composers don't live to see the fruits of their labor, and yet, they keep writing when the muses call, leaving us a rich harvest ...

For this winter season, we have handpicked some of the most inspired works which shall warm your hearts with their glorious glow! Accomplished performers from near and far will be tending the fire of artistic creativity in these great works of chamber music.

We hope you can join us and feel the gentle kiss of the muses,

Musically Yours, REBECCA, BRIAN AND STEVEN
- THE FELICI PIANO TRIO



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PROGRAM 1

Fresh Harvest

The Felici Piano Trio

Johannes Brahms

Sonata for Cello and Piano in E Minor, opus 38

Sergei Prokofiev

Sonata for Violin and Piano in D Major, opus 94

Franz Schubert

Piano Trio in E-flat Major, opus 100

Acornucopia of masterworks! Brahms' full-bodied Cello Sonata and Prokofiev's frizzante Violin Sonata, rounded off by the elegant aromas of Schubert's Piano Trio in E-flat, ... of which another famous composer said: "One glance at Schubert's Trio and all the troubles of human existence disappear, and the world is fresh and bright again."



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Sept. 30, 2011

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October 1, 2011

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PROGRAM 2

Shakespeare in Love

The Felici Piano Trio

AND GUESTS

*Aimee Kreston, violin
& Andrew Picken, viola*



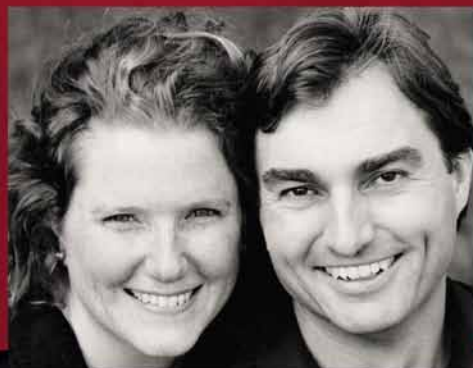
Ludwig van Beethoven
String Quartet in F Major,
opus 18 no.1

Giacomo Puccini
"Chrysanthemums"
for String Quartet

Antonín Dvorák
String Quartet in E-flat Major,
opus 51

Arousing inspiration for many an artist, Shakespeare's "Romeo and Juliet" looms large in Beethoven's early string quartet – as in Puccini's actual love life... Antonin Dvorak's legendary fertility of invention matched the gifts of the great bard. Effortlessly reconciling tradition and innovation, the opus 51 String Quartet is celebrated as one of Dvorak's best, its spontaneity inspired by Slavonic folk music.

With the brilliant husband-wife team, Aimee Kreston (Concertmaster of the Pasadena Symphony) and Andrew Picken (Associate Principal Viola, Los Angeles Opera)



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November 4, 2011

Ridgecrest Presbyterian Church*

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SATURDAY, 7:30 PM
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SATURDAY, 7:30 PM
December 17, 2011

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PROGRAM 3

Festive Holiday Pops

*The Felici Trio, the Eastern Sierra Chamber
Orchestra and Maria Jette, guest soprano*

From:
G.F. Handel's "Messiah"
J.S. Bach's "Christmas Oratorio"
plus festive Hannukah songs and Christmas carols

The lovely Maria Jette, resident soprano of "The Prairie Home Companion", fills this program with the resounding splendor of her beautiful voice. Beloved favorites of the holiday repertoire, from Leroy Anderson's delightful "Sleigh Ride" to Handel's great "Halleluiah Chorus" are sure to entertain and put you in a festive mood!



PROGRAM 4

Truly, Madly, Deeply

*The Felici Piano Trio
and GUESTS
Tereza Stanislav, violin
& Robert Brophy,*

viola

Joseph Haydn
Piano Trio in E-flat Major, Hob. XV:29

Samuel Barber
"Adagio" from String Quartet, opus 11

Edward Elgar
Piano Quintet in A Major, opus 84

Classical poise, Romantic lyricism, and stormy passion characterize the three diverse works of this program. Haydn's Piano Trio was composed as a wedding gift for a fine young pianist in London. Barber's Adagio, maybe the best-loved piece of American chamber music, was conceived as "an intimate meditation" on a poem from Virgil's Aeneid. And Sir Edward Elgar is trying to lead us into the woods, because of one too many ladies in his life...

With the fabulous Associate Concertmaster of the Los Angeles Chamber Orchestra, violinist Tereza Stanislav and New Hollywood Quartet violist Rob Brophy.



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January 28, 2012

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PROGRAM 5

The Young and the Restless

The Felici Piano Trio

Johannes Brahms
Piano Trio in B Major, opus 8

Chen Yi
"Tibetan Tunes"

Felix Mendelssohn-Bartholdy
Piano Trio in D Minor, opus 49

When the barely twenty year old Brahms composed his first trio, it was the uninhibited outpouring of an unfulfilled longing. In 1890, 37 years later, and still unmarried, he "gave the trio a trim", rewriting much of the work with all the wisdom he had acquired, in life and in music...

Mendelssohn's opus 49, on the other hand, is a reflection of the exuberant happiness he experienced, following his marriage to Cecile Jeanrenaud. A touch of serenity on this

program comes from the perspective of a woman: award-winning contemporary composer Chen Yi's exotic "Tibetan Tunes".



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PROGRAM 6

Spring Breeze

The Felici Piano Trio

AND GUEST

Roland Kato, viola

W. A. Mozart

Piano Quartet in G Minor, K 478

Gustav Mahler

Piano Quartet in A Minor

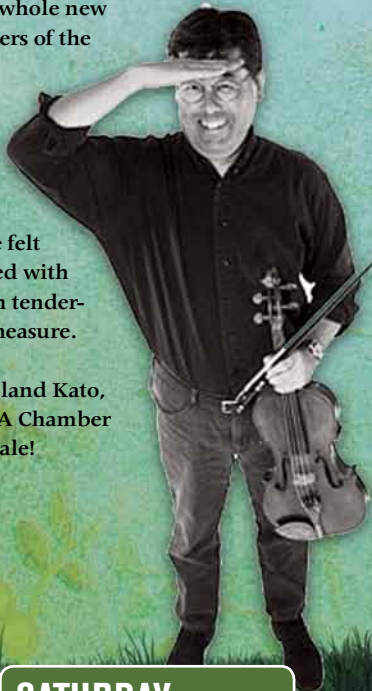
Gabriel Fauré

Piano Quartet in C Minor, opus 15

Mozart crafted his beautiful piano quartets to integrate the genres of chamber music and concerto, combining the brilliance of a soloist piano part with the subtle refinement and intimacy of the string quartet. The fickle Viennese rejected his efforts, but in retrospect we know that his innovation opened up a whole new sound world for the composers of the Romantic era.

Fauré's heartfelt C Minor Quartet came about in response to a rejection of a more personal kind, when his fiancée admitted that she felt for him "only affection mixed with fear". Fauré responded with tenderness and defiance in equal measure.

Join the Felicis and guest Roland Kato, the principal violist of the LA Chamber Orchestra, for our season finale!



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- "Honor's String Orchestra" for intermediate to advanced players ages 10-18 with at least 3 years experience
- Individual lessons for string players
- Eastern Sierra Chamber Orchestra
- Music Appreciation at Cerro Coso College



Concurrently with the Mammoth Lakes Music Festival, a

3-week series featuring international guest artists, every July-August:

- Sierra Academy of Music (SAM) for promising string players and pianists, ages 14-24
- SAM Jr. for developing young string players and pianists, ages 9-14
- Sierra Chamber Workshop for adult chamber music enthusiasts

Kids Concerts

take the Felici Piano Trio to assemblies and classroom performances throughout Mono and Inyo Counties, introducing children to the world of art music through stories and portraits of composers. "Kids Concerts" invite active participation in the various processes of music making, with the goal of nurturing the love of music in all children. CMU's educational programs have been recognized through funding by the NEA, Chamber Music America and the California Arts Council.

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