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Presents

Balourdet Quartet

Angela Bae, violin

Justin DeFilippis, violin

Benjamin Zannoni, viola

Russell Houston, cello

2023 SUMMER SEASON

AUGUST 6

THE ARTISTS



The **Balourdet Quartet** (Angela Bae, violin; Justin DeFilippis, violin; Benjamin Zannoni, viola; and Russell Houston, cello) based in Boston, Massachusetts, is currently in residence at the New England Conservatory's Professional String Quartet Program. The quartet received the Grand Prize at the 2021 Concert Artists Guild Victor Elmaleh Competition, as well as prizes in international competitions including the Banff, Paolo Borciani,

and Carl Nielsen competitions. They were also awarded the Gold Medal at the 2020 Fischhoff National Chamber Music Competition and the 2021 Chamber Music Yellow Springs Competition.

Highlights of the Balourdet's 2022-23 season include appearances at Chamber Music Detroit, the Grand Piano Series in Naples, FL, NEC's Jordan Hall, Merkin Hall, and Wigmore Hall. Summer 2022 also saw the Balourdet performing at festivals including Bravo! Vail, Music Mountain, and Strings Music Festival. The Balourdet has performed at festivals and series including Amelia Island Chamber Music Festival, the Aspen Music Festival, La Jolla Music Society Summerfest, the Dame Myra Hess Concerts, Montgomery Chamber Music, Santa Fe ProMusica, and the Schneider Concert Series.

Committed to sharing their musical values with the next generation, the quartet has given masterclasses and coachings at New England Conservatory Preparatory Department, Fischhoff Chamber Music Academy, Upper Valley Music Center, and Wright State University, as well as a residency teaching and performing at the Green Mountain Chamber Music Festival.

The Balourdet Quartet was formed in 2018 at Rice University in Houston, Texas under the tutelage of James Dunham, Norman Fischer, and Cho-Liang Lin and currently works primarily with Paul Katz at the New England Conservatory, as well as Miriam Fried and members of the Cleveland and Borromeo Quartets. The quartet takes its name from Antoine Balourdet, chef extraordinaire at the Hotel St. Bernard and beloved member of the Taos School of Music community.

Program

F. Mendelssohn
(1809-1847)

String Quartet No. 3 in D major,
Op. 44, No. 1

- I. *Molto allegro vivace*
- II. *Menuetto. Un poco Allegretto*
- III. *Andante espressivo ma con moto*
- IV. *Presto con brio*

Intermission

L. Van Beethoven
(1770-1827)

String Quartet No. 13 in B flat major,
Op. 130

- I. *Adagio ma non troppo — Allegro*
- II. *Presto*
- III. *Andante con moto ma non troppo*
- IV. *Alla danza tedesca. Allegro assai*
- V. *Cavatina. Adagio molto espressivo*
- VI. *Finale. Allegro*

String Quartet in B flat major, Op. 133
("Grosse Fugue")

FINAL 2023 SUMMER CONCERT

August 13 at 3pm - Neave Trio

Performing works by Coleridge-Taylor, Brahms, and Ravel

No Smoking in or around the Barn

Please do not leave or enter the hall during the performance