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# **CMS** Chamber Music Society of Lincoln Center

**THE CHAMBER MUSIC SOCIETY OF LINCOLN CENTER  
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***THE CALIDORE STRING QUARTET***

**PERFORMING WORKS BY  
MENDELSSOHN, SHOSTAKOVICH,  
& BEETHOVEN**

**APRIL 13  
ALICE TULLY HALL**



The Chamber Music Society presents the *The Calidore String Quartet* on Friday, April 13, at 7:30 PM in Alice Tully Hall. The fire and polish of the one of today's finest young quartets is illuminated in a varied program of masterpieces including Mendelssohn's Quartet in D major for Strings, Op. 44, No. 1; Shostakovich's Quartet No. 9 in E-flat major for Strings, Op. 117; and Beethoven's Quartet in C major for Strings, Op. 59, No. 3, "Razumovsky." The Calidore String Quartet is currently a member of Chamber Music Society Two, a three-year residency for extraordinary young musicians. [Pictured: Calidore String Quartet; photo Sophie Zhai.]

The **Calidore String Quartet**'s "deep reserves of virtuosity and irrepressible dramatic instinct" (*New York Times*) and "balance of intellect and expression" (*Los Angeles Times*) have won it accolades across the globe. The Calidore String Quartet—violinists Jeffrey Myers and Ryan Meehan, violist Jeremy Berry, and cellist Estelle Choi—made international headlines as the winner of the \$100,000 Grand Prize of the 2016 and inaugural M-Prize International Chamber Music Competition, the largest prize for chamber music in the world. Also in 2016, the quartet became the first North American ensemble to win the Borletti-Buitoni Trust Fellowship and was named BBC Radio 3 New Generation Artists, an honor that brings with it recordings, international radio broadcasts, and appearances in Britain's most prominent venues and festivals. Most recently the Calidore was honored with a 2017 Lincoln Center Emerging Artist Award. This season continues the Calidore's three-year residency with the Chamber Music Society of Lincoln Center's CMS Two program.

Highlights of the 2017-18 season include debuts at the Kennedy Center and in Boston, Philadelphia, Paris, Brussels, Cologne, and Barcelona, as well as returns to Wigmore Hall and the Verbier Festival. In April 2018 the Chamber Music Society will present the Calidore in its Alice Tully Hall recital debut. As protégés of the Emerson Quartet, the Calidore will perform a joint program with the Emersons at the Ravinia Festival as well as series in Portland, Ann Arbor, and Southern California. The Calidore String Quartet regularly performs in the most prestigious venues throughout North America, Europe, and Asia such as Carnegie Hall, Lincoln Center, Wigmore Hall, Berlin Konzerthaus, Seoul's Kumho Arts Hall, and at many significant festivals, including Verbier, Ravinia, Mostly Mozart, Music@Menlo, Rheingau, East Neuk, and Festspiele Mecklenburg-Vorpommern. In addition to winning the M-Prize, the quartet has won grand prizes in virtually all the major US chamber music competitions, including the Fischhoff, Coleman, Chesapeake, and Yellow Springs competitions, and captured top prizes at the 2012 ARD Munich International String Quartet Competition and Hamburg International Chamber Music Competition.

The Calidore String Quartet has released three commercial recordings, the most recent of which features quartets by Tchaikovsky and Mendelssohn recorded live in concert at the 2016 Music@Menlo festival. The ensemble's other recordings include a debut album of quartets by Mendelssohn and Haydn and an album on the French label Editions Hortus, with music commemorating the World War I centennial. Since 2016 the Calidore serves as visiting guest artists at the University of Delaware. Formed in 2010 at the Colburn School of Music, the quartet has studied with the Emerson Quartet, David Finckel, Andre Roy, Arnold Steinhardt, Günther Pichler, Gerhard Schulz, Guillaume Sutre, Gabor Takacs-Nagy, Paul Coletti, Ronald Leonard, Clive Greensmith, Martin Beaver, and the Quatuor Ebène. Using an amalgamation of "California" and "doré" (French for "golden"), the ensemble's name represents a reverence for the diversity of culture and the strong support it received from its home, Los Angeles, California, the "golden state."

**Listing Information:**

The Chamber Music Society of Lincoln Center at Alice Tully Hall

Friday, April 13, 7:30 PM

Tickets from \$38 available at the box office; by calling 212.875.5776;

on-line: [www.ChamberMusicSociety.org](http://www.ChamberMusicSociety.org)

*Calidore String Quartet*

Jeffrey Myers, Ryan Meehan, violin; Jeremy Berry, viola; Estelle Choi, cello)

**Mendelssohn** Quartet in D major for Strings, Op. 44, No. 1 (1838)

**Shostakovich** Quartet No. 9 in E-flat major for Strings, Op. 117 (1964)

**Beethoven** Quartet in C major for Strings, Op. 59, No. 3, "Razumovsky" (1806)

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