

WEDNESDAY EVENING, JULY 10, 2019, AT 7:30 ▶ 3,980TH CONCERT

Alice Tully Hall, Starr Theater, Adrienne Arsht Stage Home of the Chamber Music Society of Lincoln Center

JON KIMURA PARKER, piano KRISTIN LEE, violin RICHARD O'NEILL, viola CYNTHIA PHELPS, viola **CLIVE GREENSMITH**, cello ANTHONY MANZO, double bass

#### FRANZ SCHUBERT

Trio in B-flat major for Violin, Viola, and (1797-1828) Cello, D. 581 (1817)

- ▶ Allegro moderato
- ▶ Andante
- ▶ Menuetto: Allegretto ▶ Rondo: Allegretto LEE, O'NEILL, GREENSMITH

# ANTONÍN DVOŘÁK

(1841 - 1904)

# Quartet in D major for Piano, Violin, Viola, and Cello, Op. 23 (1875)

- ▶ Allegro moderato
- Andantino
- ▶ Finale: Allegretto scherzando PARKER, LEE, PHELPS, GREENSMITH

## INTERMISSION

# **FELIX** MENDELSSOHN

Sextet in D major for Piano, Violin, Two Violas, Cello, and Bass, Op. 110 (1824)

(1809 - 1847)

- ▶ Allegro vivace
- Adagio
- Minuetto: Agitato
- Allegro vivace

PARKER, LEE, PHELPS, O'NEILL, GREENSMITH, MANZO

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# ABOUT TONIGHT'S PROGRAM

Dear Listener,

How delightful for us to celebrate the fifth season of Summer Evenings as CMS approaches its 50th anniversary season this coming fall. It seems like only yesterday that the Chamber Music Society ventured into the unchartered territory of July, but, as they say, time flies when you are having fun, and we have indeed enjoyed watching this festival come so quickly to full bloom and become a landmark on New York's chamber music calendar.

By now you may have seen our anniversary season brochure, which reveals the focus of our celebration: our beloved repertoire, which has inspired listeners in some cases over centuries and continues to sustain all who cross its path. While the coming season's programs each identify a "milestone" work—one which broke new ground, set a trend, or changed music forever—our Summer Evenings concerts also boast their share of musical innovations. Where, for example, did Mendelssohn come up with the idea of a sextet for violin, two violas, cello, piano, and bass? This kind of creative chamber music scoring opened doors for composers in the Romantic age and beyond to mix and match instrumental timbres never before imagined. Johannes Brahms's heavenly Clarinet Trio (July 14), plus his three following works for clarinet, affirmed the instrument's position of prominence in the world of chamber music. And Joseph Haydn, with his String Quartet, Op. 77, No. 2 (July 17) capped off his unmatched contribution to the evolution of the genre, a virtual Old Faithful geyser of some 68 quartets composed over most of his professional life.

We are so glad you've joined us for perhaps your fifth, or maybe your first, encounter with the magical world of Summer Evenings. Delight in the music, the company, the artists, and the serenity of the Alice Tully Hall environment. While music definitely warms the heart in winter, we've found it equally refreshes the soul in summer.

Enjoy the performance,

David Finckel Wu Han
ARTISTIC DIRECTORS

# NOTES ON THE PROGRAM

I have been fortunate enough to spend the last decade of my life exploring and performing a great amount of chamber music repertoire in locations throughout the world. And tonight, two of the three pieces on this program are works that I have never performed or seldom seen performed on other concert stages. Schubert, in his very short life of 31 years, wrote over 600 songs, 15 string quartets, as well as a countless number of other chamber music pieces. And tonight, I have this opportunity to perform the last of his three string trios for the very first time. It never ceases to amaze me how much repertoire there is out there for us to explore, and I feel truly grateful to these incredible composers who have left us with so much music that we can continue to stay curious and be on this journey of chamber music for our lifetime. I hope you will all ride along on this journey with us, and we look forward to performing for all of you tonight!

-Kristin Lee

# Trio in B-flat major for Violin, Viola, and Cello, D. 581

### FRANZ SCHUBERT

- ▶ Born January 31, 1797, in Vienna.
- ▶ Died November 19, 1828, in Vienna.

## Composed in 1817.

- First CMS performance on February 28, 1999, by violinist Midori, violist Nobuko Imai, and cellist Peter Wiley.
- ▶ Duration: 20 minutes
- SOMETHING TO KNOW: It is unknown if this trio was written for a particular occasion. It was Schubert's only completed string trio (two previous trios were left unfinished).
- SOMETHING TO LISTEN FOR: The Andante slow movement is a reflective, speech-like solo for the violin accompanied by the viola and cello that is moving in its clarity and simplicity.

In June 1816, when he was 19, Schubert received his first fee for one of his compositions (a now-lost cantata for the name-day of his teacher, Heinrich Watteroth), and decided that he had sufficient reason to leave his irksome teaching post at his father's school in order to follow the life of an artist. He moved into the Viennese apartments of his devoted friend Franz von Schober, an Austrian civil servant who was then running the state lottery, and celebrated his new freedom by composing incessantly, rising shortly after dawn (sometimes he slept with his glasses on so as not to waste any time getting started in the morning), pouring out music until early afternoon, and then spending the evening haunting the cafés in Grinzing

or making music with friends. Those convivial Schubertiads became more frequent and drew increasing notice during the following months, and were the principal means by which Schubert's works became known to the city's music lovers. In September 1817, Schober's brother returned from Paris, and the penniless composer reluctantly removed himself from his room in the city to his father's home and school in the suburbs. The first piece he composed there was the Trio in B-flat major for Violin, Viola, and Cello, D. 581. The work may have been played by the family ensemble (with one of his two brothers on violin, his father playing cello, and Franz as violist), and certainly found its way onto the programs of the Schubertiads soon thereafter, Schubert remained with his family until the following summer, when he obtained a temporary post as music tutor to the daughters of Count Johann Esterházy in Zseliz in Hungary, 150 miles east of Vienna. He eagerly left home and began the happy bohemian existence that carried him through the last dozen years of his brief life.

The String Trio in B-flat opens with a compact sonata form whose main theme, a sunny melody of short, carefully balanced phrases, is assigned to the violin; the subsidiary subject is given in close dialogue by the cello and the violin. The compact development section, based on the main theme. solidifies the position of the violin as primus inter pares in the ensemble. The recapitulation proceeds as expected, with a few flourishes of quiet rising arpeggios drawing the movement to a close. The Andante begins with a delicately decorated wordless song for the violin. After passing through some darker harmonic regions in its middle section, the three-part form of the movement is rounded out by the return and further elaboration of the violin's melody. The Menuetto is sprouted from the same fertile country soil that Haydn so productively tilled in his instrumental works, while the central trio, a solo for viola, bears the lilting dance flavor of the Austrian Ländler. The finale is a spirited rondo built around the dainty tune trotted out by the violin in the opening measures. •

# Quartet in D major for Piano, Violin, Viola, and Cello, Op. 23

# ANTONÍN DVOŘÁK

- ▶ Born September 8, 1841, in Nelahozeves, Bohemia.
- ▶ Died May 1, 1904, in Prague.

# Composed in 1875.

▶ Duration: 34 minutes

- Premiered on December 16, 1880, in Prague by pianist Karl Slavovsky, violinist Václav Kopta, violist Petr Mares, and cellist Alois Neruda.
- ▶ First CMS performance on November 15, 1992, by pianist Lee Luvisi, violinist Arnold Steinhardt, violist Walter Trampler, and cellist Leslie Parnas.
- SOMETHING TO KNOW: Dvořák was 33 years old but still relatively unknown in 1875 when he wrote his first piano quartet.
- **SOMETHING TO LISTEN FOR:** The last movement is a clever combination of the typical third movement scherzo and fourth movement finale. Themes from each type of movement alternate, ultimately ending with the finale theme.

In the summer of 1874, less than a year after his marriage and just as the newlyweds were expecting their first child, the young Bohemian composer Antonín Dvořák applied for a prize from the Austrian government to supplement his meager income as organist at Prague's St. Adalbert Church. The members of the grants committee were a most distinguished lot: Johann Herbeck, Director of the Court Opera; the renowned critic Eduard Hanslick; and the titan of Viennese music himself. Johannes Brahms. They deemed Dvořák's work worthy of encouragement and awarded the young musician 400 gulden, the highest

stipend bestowed under the program. It represented his first recognition outside his homeland, and his initial contact with Brahms and Hanslick, who would prove to be powerful influences on his career through their example, artistic guidance, and professional help. Included in the excited burst of compositional activity that followed Dvořák learning of his award was the D major Quartet for Piano, Violin, Viola, and Cello, which he began on May 24, 1875, and finished on June 10.

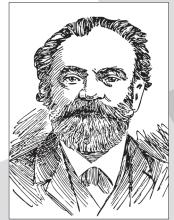
As the main theme of the quartet's opening movement, the cello offers a short-breathed melody of folkish cast wrapped around the intervals of the

# **NERUDA ON DVOŘÁK**

"I do not know Dvořák personally or what he is like, but I imagine him a real musician. That is 'a poet of the air' as they call musicians who care not a fig about what is going on down here on the earth far beneath them. A creature who is mightily indifferent as to whether a heller and a groschen are all that he has left in his pocket. A young man with the confused brain which is attributed to every poet, to every painter and most of all to the musical tribe all the world over. What would there be special about him if he was altogether sensible and every day.

"He is also said to be 'ambitious.' Bravo! I could embrace him for that! And then that he works too much. Let us reproach the ocean that it has 'too many' waves. Once there was a musician and his name was Beethoven. He is said to have written a great deal, a very deal great. And when he was lying on his death-bed, he said: 'It seems to me as if I were only at the beginning.' May it always seem to Dvořák as if he were only at the beginning!"





▶ Antonín Dvořák

tonic chord. This theme is discussed and varied at some length before the music quiets for the songful second subject, again first entrusted to the cello. A short, leaping, sharply rhythmic motive is introduced before the end of the exposition, and combined with the movement's other thematic material in the development section. A full recapitulation, somewhat elaborated from the exposition, rounds out the movement. The Andantino is a set of variations on a melancholy strain initiated by the violin. Though Dvořák did not unlock the possibilities of this theme as convincingly as he was to

do with the Symphonic Variations two years later, this music is finely crafted, nicely varied, and about as democratic among the participants as such a work can be. The closing movement is a daring piece of musical architecture that seeks to encompass both scherzo and finale. Dvořák here juxtaposed, twice, two starkly contrasted types of music—A) a lilting waltz-like theme (perhaps a tribute to the Gemütlichkeit of Brahms's Vienna) and B) a broad melody of heroic aspirations: A-B-A-Bwithout achieving either reconciliation or synthesis. A lively coda based on the B theme closes the quartet. •

# Sextet in D major for Piano, Violin, Two Violas, Cello, and Bass, Op. 110

# **FELIX MENDELSSOHN**

- ▶ Born February 3, 1809, in Hamburg.
- ▶ Died November 4, 1847, in Leipzig.

# Composed in 1824.

Duration: 30 minutes

- ▶ First CMS performance on May 2, 1986, by pianist Lee Luvisi, violinist James Buswell, violists Walter Trampler and Daniel Phillips, cellist Leslie Parnas, and bassist Alvin Brehm.
- SOMETHING TO KNOW: The 15-year-old Mendelssohn wrote this sextet to showcase both his advanced compositional skill and his virtuosity on the piano.
- SOMETHING TO LISTEN FOR: It is unknown why Mendelssohn chose this unusual instrumentation, but he may have wanted lower strings to better feature the piano in the higher register.

In addition to being born with the proverbial silver spoon, Felix Mendelssohn was virtually bestowed a golden baton as a natal gift. His parents' household was among the most cultured and affluent in all of Berlin, but his family saw to it that his privilege was well balanced by discipline and responsibility. Young Felix arose at 5:00 every morning (6:00 on Sunday) and spent several hours in private tutoring with the best available teachers. When his musical talents became obvious in his early years, he

was given instruction in piano, and soon after in theory and composition by the distinguished pedagogue C.F. Zelter. Mendelssohn's earliest dated composition is a cantata completed on January 3, 1820, three weeks before his 11th birthday, though that work was almost certainly preceded by others whose exact dates are not recorded.

To display the boy's blossoming musical abilities, the Mendelssohn mansion became a twice-monthly concert hall featuring the precocious youngster's significant achievements. A large summer house was fitted as an auditorium seating several hundred people, and every other Sunday morning musicians were brought in to perform both repertory works and the latest flowers of Mendelssohn's creation. These matinees—complemented by an elegant luncheon-began in 1822, when Mendelssohn was 13. He selected the programs, led the rehearsals, appeared as piano soloist, and even conducted, though in those early years he was still too short to be seen by the players in the back rows unless he stood on a stool. With sister Fanny participating as pianist, sister Rebecca as singer, and brother Paul as cellist, it is little wonder that invitations to those happy gatherings were among the most eagerly sought and highly prized of any in Berlin society. By 1825, Mendelssohn had written over 80 works for the family concerts, including operas and operettas, string guartets and other chamber pieces, concertos, motets, and a series of 13 symphonies for strings.

The D major Sextet for Piano, Violin, Two Violas, Cello, and Bass, written for the Sunday household musical matinees, was completed on May 10, 1824, when Mendelssohn was 15. (Beethoven's Ninth Symphony was premiered in Vienna just three days earlier.) The work, Classical in design and spirit but possessing those distinctive qualities of lightness and



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translucence that characterize so much of his music, is more a little concerto for piano with strings that Mendelssohn composed for himself than a fully democratic integration of all the instruments of the ensemble. The main theme area of the opening, sonataform movement is filled with an entire clutch of melodic motives tripping one upon another; the second theme is announced by the piano alone and repeated by the strings. The movement is rounded out by a full development section and the return of the earlier themes in the recapitulation. The Adagio, in the Romantically remote key of F-sharp major, is a small sonatina of hymnal nature. The following Minuetto is a true scherzo in all but name. A youthful impetuosity infects the finale, yet another sonata-allegro structure. (Mozart had a similar absorption with sonata forms.) A recall of the music of the Minuetto after the recapitulation and a dashing coda bring this charming sextet to a vigorous close. •

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# **ABOUT THE ARTISTS**



### **CLIVE GREENSMITH**

▶ Clive Greensmith has a distinguished career as soloist, chamber musician, and teacher. From 1999 until 2013 he was a member of the world-renowned Tokyo String Quartet, giving over one hundred performances each year in the most prestigious international venues, including New York's Carnegie Hall, Sydney Opera House, London's Southbank Centre, Paris Châtelet, Berlin Philharmonie, Vienna Musikverein, and Suntory Hall in Tokyo. As a soloist, he has performed

with the London Symphony Orchestra, Royal Philharmonic Orchestra, Seoul Philharmonic, and the RAI Orchestra of Rome. He has also performed at the Aspen Music Festival, Marlboro Music Festival, La Jolla Summerfest, Santa Fe Chamber Music Festival, the Ravinia Festival, the Salzburg Festival in Austria, Edinburgh Festival in Scotland, Pacific Music Festival in Japan, and the Hong Kong Arts Festival. During a career spanning over 25 years, he has built up a catalogue of landmark recordings, most notably the complete Beethoven string quartet cycle for Harmonia Mundi with the Tokyo String Quartet. Mr. Greensmith studied at the Royal Northern College of Music in England with American cellist Donald McCall. He continued his studies at the Cologne Musikhochschule in Germany with Boris Pergamenschikow. He was appointed Co-Director of Chamber Music and Professor of Cello at the Colburn School in Los Angeles in 2014. He is a founding member of the Montrose Trio with pianist Jon Kimura Parker and violinist Martin Beaver.



#### KRISTIN LEE

▶ Recipient of a 2015 Avery Fisher Career Grant, as well as a top prizewinner of the 2012 Walter W. Naumburg Competition and Astral Artists' 2010 National Auditions, Kristin Lee is a violinist of remarkable versatility and impeccable technique. She has appeared with top orchestras such as the Philadelphia Orchestra, St. Louis Symphony, New Jersey Symphony, St. Paul Chamber Orchestra, the Ural Philharmonic of Russia, the Korean Broadcasting Symphony, and in recital on many of the world's

finest stages including Carnegie Hall, David Geffen Hall, Kennedy Center, Kimmel Center, Phillips Collection, Metropolitan Museum of Art, Louvre Museum, Korea's Kumho Art Gallery, and the Ravinia Festival. An accomplished chamber musician, she has appeared with Camerata Pacifica, Music@Menlo, La Jolla Festival, Medellín Festicámara of Colombia, the El Sistema Chamber Music festival of Venezuela, and the Sarasota Music Festival. She is the concertmaster of the Metropolis Ensemble, with which she premiered Vivian Fung's Violin Concerto, written for her, which appears on Fung's CD *Dreamscapes* (Naxos) and won the 2013 Juno Award. Born in Seoul, Ms. Lee moved to the US to study under Sonja Foster and soon after entered The Juilliard School's Pre-College. She holds a master's degree from The Juilliard School under Itzhak Perlman. An alum of The Bowers Program (formerly CMS Two), she is a member of the faculty of the Aaron Copland School of Music at Queens College and the co-founder and artistic director of Emerald City Music in Seattle.

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## ANTHONY MANZO

Anthony Manzo is a sought-after chamber musician who feels at home across the wide range of classical music, whether out front as a soloist, or providing the foundation within an orchestra, exploring on historic instruments, or collaborating in his first love—chamber music. He performs regularly at noted venues including Lincoln Center and the Spoleto Festival in Charleston, South Carolina. He also serves as the solo bassist of San Francisco's New Century Chamber

Orchestra, and is a regular guest with the National Symphony Orchestra, the Smithsonian Chamber Society, and the Baltimore Symphony when he happens to be near his home in Washington, D.C. Formerly the solo bassist of the Munich Chamber Orchestra in Germany, he has also been a guest principal with Camerata Salzburg in Austria, where collaborations have included a summer residency at the Salzburg Festival, as well as two tours as double bass soloist alongside bass/baritone Thomas Quasthoff, performing Mozart's "Per questa bella mano." He is also an active performer on period instruments, with groups including The Handel & Haydn Society of Boston (where his playing has been lauded as "endowed with beautiful and unexpected plaintiveness" by the Boston Musical Intelligencer), and Philharmonia Baroque in San Francisco. Additionally, he is a member of the double bass and chamber music faculty of the University of Maryland. Mr. Manzo performs on a double bass made around 1890 by Jerome Thibouville Lamy in Paris (which now has a removable neck for travel!).



# RICHARD O'NEILL

▶ Violist Richard O'Neill is an Emmy Award winner, two-time Grammy nominee, and Avery Fisher Career Grant recipient. He has appeared with the London, Los Angeles, Seoul, and Euro-Asian philharmonics; the BBC, KBS, Hiroshima and Korean symphonies; the Moscow, Vienna, Württemburg and Zurich chamber orchestras; and Kremerata Baltica and Alte Musik Köln with conductors Andrew Davis, Vladimir Jurowski, François-Xavier Roth, and Yannick Nézet-Séguin. Highlights

of this season include the complete Beethoven string quartet cycle for the Seattle Chamber Music Society with the Ehnes Quartet, and a South Korean recital tour with harp player Emmanuel Ceysson. As a recitalist he has performed at Carnegie Hall, David Geffen Hall, Disney Hall, Kennedy Center, Wigmore Hall, Louvre, Salle Cortot, Madrid's National Concert Hall, Teatro Colon, Hong Kong's Cultural Center, Tokyo's International Forum and Opera City, Osaka Symphony Hall, and LOTTE Concert Hall and Seoul Arts Center. A Universal/DG recording artist, he has made nine solo albums that have sold more than 200,000 copies. His chamber music initiative DITTO has introduced tens of thousands to chamber music in South Korea and Japan. An alum of The Bowers Program (formerly CMS Two), he was the first violist to receive the artist diploma from Juilliard and was honored with a Proclamation from the New York City Council for his achievement and contribution to the arts. He serves as Goodwill Ambassador for the Korean Red Cross, the Special Olympics, and UNICEF and runs marathons for charity.



#### JON KIMURA PARKER

▶ Known for his passionate artistry and engaging stage presence, pianist Jon Kimura Parker continues to perform to great acclaim. In the past two seasons he appeared at Carnegie Hall in Prokofiev's Piano Concerto No. 3, and was guest soloist at the Kennedy Center in Gershwin's Rhapsody in Blue conducted by Gianandrea Noseda. He also performed with LACO, the New York Philharmonic, the Philadelphia Orchestra, and the Baltimore Symphony. As a founding member

of *Off the Score*, he performs with legendary Police drummer Stewart Copeland, and he toured Italy and the United States as a founding member of the Montrose Trio, with violinist Martin Beaver and cellist Clive Greensmith. His YouTube channel features *Concerto Chat* videos, promoting the piano concerto repertoire. He has recorded for Telarc and CBC, and on his own label. His recent CD features fantasies of Schubert and Schumann, as well as the sensational *Wizard of Oz Fantasy* by William Hirtz. "Jackie" Parker studied in Vancouver with Edward Parker and Keiko Parker, Lee Kum-Sing at the Vancouver Academy of Music and the University of British Columbia, Marek Jablonski at the Banff Centre, and Adele Marcus at The Juilliard School. He won the Gold Medal at the 1984 Leeds International Piano Competition. He is a professor at Rice University, and is the founding artistic advisor of the Orcas Island Chamber Music Festival. He is the artistic director of the Honens Piano Competition and Festival, and is an Officer of the Order of Canada.



# CYNTHIA PHELPS

▶ Violist Cynthia Phelps's versatile career includes appearances as chamber musician, soloist, and as principal violist of the New York Philharmonic. She has appeared as soloist on major stages across the globe with the NY Phil, performing an extensive repertoire including specially commissioned concertos by Sofia Gubaidulina and Julia Adolphe. Other solo appearances include the Minnesota Orchestra, Shanghai, Vermont, and San Diego symphonies, Orquesta Sinfonica de

Bilbao, and Hong Kong Philharmonic. She has collaborated internationally with such artists as Itzhak Perlman, Emanuel Ax, Pinchas Zukerman, Gil Shaham, Yo-Yo Ma, Lynn Harrell, and Yefim Bronfman. A much sought-after chamber musician, she performs regularly with the Boston Chamber Music Society, Chamber Music Society of Lincoln Center, and at New York's Tisch Center for the Arts at the 92nd Street Y, as well as with ensembles including the Kalichstein-Laredo-Robinson Trio, and the American and Brentano string quartets. She is a frequent guest at the Marlboro, SummerFest La Jolla, Bridgehampton, Vail, Mostly Mozart, Santa Fe, Cremona, and Schleswig-Holstein Festivals and is a founding member of Les Amies, a flute-harp-viola trio. Ms. Phelps's many honors include first prize in both the Lionel Tertis International Viola Competition and the Washington National Competition, and she is a recipient of the Pro Musicis International Award. Her most recent recording, *Air*, was nominated for a Grammy Award, and her recordings of *Harold in Italy* and *Unearth, Release*, written for her, with the New York Philharmonic are available on iTunes.

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