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St. Lawrence Quartet with pianist Anne-Marie McDermott

Saturday, October 8, 2016
8:00 p.m.

Originally from Canada and now in residence at Stanford University, the SLSQ has “precision, warmth, and an electricity that conveys the excitement of playing whatever is on their stands at the moment” (*New York Times*). The ensemble returns to our roster with a program that includes string quartets by Haydn and Mendelssohn, and a piano quintet by Dvořák.

Ziyu Shen, viola-

Saturday, October 22, 2016
8:00 p.m.

replaced by Sang-Eun Lee
cellist

A winner of the 2014 Young Concert Artists International Auditions when she was 16, Ziyu Shen is the seventh recipient of our Performance Award, appearing with a piano collaborator TBA. She made her New York debut at Merkin Concert Hall on April 11, and her Kennedy Center debut on April 19. In London, she has given recitals at Wigmore Hall and at the Royal Festival Hall. She is a native of Shanghai, where she studied at the Conservatory of Music.

Takács Quartet

Saturday, November 12, 2016
8:00 p.m.

Recognized as one of the world's great ensembles, the Takács Quartet's unique blend of drama, warmth, and humor brings fresh insights to the string quartet repertoire. In this return engagement with us, the group will demonstrate that with an all-Beethoven program that includes the magnificent Quartet in C-Sharp minor, Op. 131, considered by many musicians and listeners alike to be the greatest string quartet ever written.

Lise de la Salle, piano

Saturday, April 22, 2017
8:00 p.m.

Brought back to our roster by popular demand following her triumphant FOM debut during our 61st season, French pianist Lise de la Salle, 27, has established a reputation as one of today's most exciting young artists. Her many recordings have received critical acclaim. Among them, her 2007 CD of works by Mozart and Prokofiev was a *Gramophone* magazine Editor's Choice, while her 2008 recording of the final concertos of Liszt, Prokofiev, and Shostokovich was a *Gramophone* CD of the Month.

Dover Quartet

Saturday, May 6, 2017
8:00 p.m.

Comprised of graduates of the Curtis Institute, the Dover Quartet catapulted to international stardom following a stunning sweep of the 2013 Banff International String Quartet Competition. *The Strad* has raved about “their exceptional interpretive maturity, tonal refinement, and taut ensemble.” In the group's debut with us, it will perform works by Beethoven, Britten, and Shostokovich.

Windscape

Saturday, May 20, 2017
8:00 p.m.

Artists-in-residence at the Manhattan School of Music, members of Windscape present a distinctive concert series there hailed for its creative energy and musical curiosity. Comprising flute, oboe, clarinet, bassoon, and French horn, the ensemble has performed throughout the United States, including at Washington, DC's Kennedy Center; New York's Metropolitan Museum of Art, Topwn Hall, and the Tish Center at the 92nd St. Y; Wolf Trap in Vienna, VA; and the Mainly Mozart Festival in San Diego. The group has collaborated with outstanding musicians, including the pianists Jeremy Denk, Ann-Marie McDermott, and Jon Kimura Parker.

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