



**2022-2023 Season
Our Forty-first Year**

**September 25, 2022
3:00 PM**

Our new season opens with the brilliant young **Balourdet String Quartet**. Based in Boston, Massachusetts, the quartet is currently in residence at the New England Conservatory's Professional String Quartet Program. They received the Grand Prize at the 2021 Concert Artists Guild Victor Elmaleh Competition as well as the top prize awarded in the 2021 Premio Paolo Borciani in Reggio Emilia, Italy. The group also received the Gold Medal in the 2020 Fischhoff National Chamber Music Competition and the Gold Medal and Audience Award at the 2021 Chamber Music Yellow Springs Competition.

**November 6, 2022
3:00 PM**

Mirror Visions Ensemble
Featuring soprano, tenor, baritone and piano, MVE's programs take audiences on an imaginative journey through song,

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showcasing well-known and often-neglected pieces by composers both familiar and new, set to texts by poets and historical figures that encompass published works, correspondence and other anecdotes.

**January 29, 2023
3:00 PM
Vision Duo**

A first for us, this violin and marimba duo features works by classical and contemporary composers and introduces multidisciplinary elements of modern performance. Ariel Horowitz and Britton-René Collins are recipients of the 2020 CAG Competition's Ambassador Prize, awarded to musicians who show an exceptional level of virtuosity and humanity in their interest in community engagement and bringing the voices of new composers to the forefront.

**May 7, 2023
3:00 PM**

To close our 41st season we are pleased to present the **Merz Trio**. Praised for their "fresh and surprising interpretations," the award-winning Merz Trio are known for their pas-

sionate, original playing. The Trio have made a sweep of recent US chamber awards, taking top prizes at the 2021 Naumburg, 2019 Concert Artists Guild, 2019 Fischhoff, and 2018 Chesapeake Competitions. Upcoming appearances include performances at the Concertgebouw in Amsterdam.

Please visit our web site to see links to all our artists and join our exciting new season by contacting us at the above addresses. Individual tickets are available for all our concerts, but our subscription rate provides great savings. Our concerts are held at St. Peter the Fisherman Church, Jackson Street in Fairmont. St. Peter's is accessible to persons with disabilities and our society is committed to providing auxiliary aids and services.

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