



Chamber Music Amici

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Chamber Music Amici, Concert 1, October 29, 2012

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What: First concert of the season: Brahms Piano Quartet in G minor and Herzogenberg String trio no. 2

Who: Chamber Music Amici: Pilar Bradshaw, violin; Holland Phillips, viola; Steven Pologe, cello; Sharon Schuman, violin; Victor Steinhardt, piano

When: 7:30 pm, Mon., Oct. 29, 2012

Where: Richard E. Wildish Community Theater, Springfield, Oregon

Tickets: \$22-\$25; students \$5, at 541-953-9204 or at chambermusicamici.org

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Chamber Music Amici inaugurates its fourth season at 7:30 pm, Monday, October 29, in the Wildish Theater in Springfield, with a concert that features all five Amici core musicians. Pianist Victor Steinhardt, violinist Pilar Bradshaw, violist Holland Phillips, and cellist Steven Pologe will perform the Quartet No. 1 in G minor, Op. 25, for piano, violin, viola and cello, by Johannes Brahms.

Brahms composed this piece when he was only 28 years old and used it in 1862 to introduce himself as a virtuoso pianist and composer, to concert-goers in Vienna. It's fiery "Gypsy Rondo" finale has been dazzling audiences ever since.

Also on the program is the less often heard Trio No. 2 in F, for Violin, Viola, and Cello, Op. 27, by the Austrian Heinrich von Herzogenberg, performed by violinist Sharon Schuman, Phillips, and Pologe. Influenced by Brahms, Beethoven, and Bach, Herzogenberg composed passionate works, many of which were presumed destroyed during World War II but resurfaced during the 1990s. Chamber Music Amici hopes with this performance to help bring him the audience and recognition he deserves.

There will be a free pre-concert performance at 3:00 pm, Saturday, October 27, in the Auditorium at Cascade Manor in Eugene.

In the Wildish Theater, Amici concerts last about an hour, without intermission, with a party afterwards on stage. Tickets for October 29 are \$20-\$25, or \$5 for students with vouchers, at 541-953-9204.