

# Chamber On The Mountain

An extraordinary musical experience in a setting of extraordinary beauty

*Presented by the Happy Valley Cultural Center  
under the Artistic Direction of renowned harpist Heidi Lehwald.*

Chamber On The Mountain honors the traditional while celebrating the innovative and the intermingling of nascent talent with venerated masters.

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## Upcoming

in our Chamber On The Mountain Music Series

### **Grigoryan Brothers, Guitar Duo**

Sunday, January 19, 2020 / 3:00 pm

### **Zlatomir Fung, Cellist**

All-Brahms Program

Sunday, March 1, 2020 / 3:00 pm

### **Narek Arutyunian, Clarinetist**

Sunday, May 3, 2020 / 3:00 pm

### **Hanzhi Wang, Accordionist**

Sunday, October 4, 2020 / 3:00 pm

### **Jill Felber, Flutist & Dianne Frazer, Pianist**

Sunday, December 6, 2020 / 3:00 pm

The Happy Valley Cultural Center Presents

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## **Arianna String Quartet & Michele Levin, Pianist**

Sunday, December 8, 2019

3:00 pm / Logan House

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## Arianna String Quartet

John McGrosso, *violin*

Julia Sakharova, *violin*

Kurt Baldwin, *cello*

Joanna Mendoza, *viola*

Hailed for their outstanding musicianship, the Arianna String Quartet has firmly established itself as one of America's finest chamber ensembles. Their performances have been praised for "tonal warmth, fastidious balance...expressive vitality" (*Chicago Tribune*) and "emotional commitment and fluent virtuosity," (*Pretoria News, South Africa*). Formed in 1992, the ASQ garnered national attention by winning the Grand Prize in the Fischhoff Chamber Music Competition, First Prize in both the Coleman and Carmel Chamber Music Competitions, and were Laureates in the Bordeaux International String Quartet Competition.

The Arianna String Quartet has appeared throughout North America, South America, Europe and Asia, with frequent visits to Brazil and South Africa. They have collaborated with many of the world's finest musicians, including members of the Vermeer, Tokyo, Cleveland and Juilliard Quartets, and their live performances have been heard on National Public Radio's "Performance Today," and "Live from Music Mountain", which broadcasts to 125 stations in the U.S. and to 35 countries. The ASQ has recorded for Albany Records and Urtext Digital Classics, and has a long-term contract with Centaur Records. In addition to their critically acclaimed recording of the two string quartets of Janáček, the ASQ has also released recordings of Beethoven's Early and Middle Quartets.



## Michele Levin, Pianist

Audiences and critics have acclaimed Michele Levin, pianist and composer, as a multi-faceted musician of extraordinary sensitivity, virtuosity, and dedication to the art of making music. Ms. Levin is a graduate of the Curtis Institute of Music with a double major in piano and composition. She began her studies there at the age of eleven and is the first woman to receive their Master's degree in Composition.

The Johann Sebastian Bach International Piano Competition in Washington DC awarded her First Prize in competition with pianists from fourteen countries. Ms. Levin has performed as a soloist with the Philadelphia Orchestra, Boston Pops, Florida Philharmonic, Miami Chamber Symphony, Sinfonia Virtuosi, New World Symphony, Albany Symphony, and Virginia Symphony. She has also given solo and chamber music recitals in major cities throughout the US, Canada, Europe, Asia, and Central and South America.

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## Program

### Piano Quartet No. 2 in E-flat Major, K493

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart (1756–1791)

*Allegro*

*Larghetto*

*Allegretto*

### String Trio (1944)

Gideon Klein (1919–1945)

*Allegro*

*Lento*

*Molto vivace*

## Intermission

### Piano Quartet No. 3 in C minor, Op. 60

Johannes Brahms (1833–1897)

*Allegro non troppo*

*Scherzo: Allegro*

*Andante*

*Finale: Allegro comodo*

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## Meet the Artists!

A reception will be held on our patio immediately following the performance.