

September 2013

Recordings



On **October 8th**, the Cypress String Quartet is happy to announce the re-release of their American Album on the Avie Records label. The album will include **an additional work by Kevin Puts**, Lento Assai, which was commissioned by the Cypress in 2008. Kevin Puts recently won the Pulitzer Prize in music and his Lento Assai is a breathtaking piece of music.

On **May 13th, 2014**, CSQ will release their **fourteenth album**, which will be their first recording of Franz Schubert's music. The **Cypress's Schubert album** is comprised of the composer's single-movement work **Quartetsatz** and his sublime **Cello Quintet in C Major**. For the Quintet, the Cypress recorded with **renowned cellist** and longtime friend **Gary Hoffman**. The complimentary musical sensibilities of Hoffman and the CSQ will make this Schubert Quintet recording spectacular!



Concerts



In June of 2013, the Cypress spent a week performing throughout **Germany**, thanks to their new German agents, **PR2 Klassic**. In addition to concerts, the Quartet was also interviewed on **several of the largest radio stations in Germany**! The Cypress also spent a day working for Rhapsody in Schools—a Germany-wide music education program that brings world-class musicians into the classroom.

Highlights of the coming season include concerts at the **92nd Street Y** in New York City in the Spring, and the **Cypress Salon Series** on **October 18-20**, **January 24-26**, and **May 9-11**. This season marks the **15th anniversary of Call & Response**! Following a series of free regional outreach education, the culminating Call & Response concert will take place on **March 14th, at Marines' Memorial Theatre in San Francisco** and will feature works by **Webern**, **Schubert**, and the **premiere of George Tsontakis's 6th String Quartet**.

Education



2014 marks the 15th anniversary of Call & Response. This year, the curriculum prepared by CSQ staff will feature three distinct levels, depending on age and music experience. By tailoring the curriculum to each teacher's students, CSQ hopes to inspire future generations of both musicians and music lovers.

This January, the CSQ will pilot a brand new educational program called Music Moves. Music Moves will feature outreach work in Bay Area elementary schools performed by a college-level string quartet mentored by the Cypress. By teaching a young quartet how to design effective and inspiring educational programs, CSQ hopes to instill the value of excellent educational outreach in this young quartet while simultaneously exciting elementary students about the world of classical music.

Best wishes,

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