

The Telegraph Quartet
presented by Chico Performances, California State University



Sunday, September 22, 2019 at 2pm
Zingg Recital Hall, CSU Chico | 400 W 1st St., Chico, CA
Tickets: www.csuchico.edu/upe/performance or 530.898.6785

“soulfulness, tonal beauty and intelligent attention to detail ... an incredibly valuable addition to the cultural landscape” – *San Francisco Chronicle*

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Telegraph Quartet: www.telegraphquartet.com

Chico, CA – On **Sunday, September 22, 2019 at 2pm**, the **Telegraph Quartet** (Eric Chin and Joseph Maile, violins; Pei-Ling Lin, viola; Jeremiah Shaw, cello) will perform presented by **Chico Performances** at California State University’s Zingg Recital Hall (400 W. 1st. St.). Their concert program includes Haydn’s nobly optimistic String Quartet in F Major, Berg’s angst-ridden String Quartet Op. 3 and Britten’s vast and monumental String Quartet No. 2.

The Telegraph Quartet formed in 2013 with an equal passion for the standard chamber music repertoire and contemporary, non-standard works alike. Described by the *San Francisco Chronicle* as “powerfully adept... with a combination of brilliance and subtlety,” the Telegraph Quartet was awarded the prestigious 2016 Walter W. Naumburg Chamber Music Award and the Grand Prize at the 2014 Fischhoff Chamber Music Competition. The Quartet has performed in concert halls, music festivals, and academic institutions across the United States and abroad, including New York City’s Carnegie Hall, San Francisco’s Herbst Theatre and the San Francisco Conservatory of Music’s Chamber Masters Series and at festivals including the Chautauqua Institute, Kneisel Hall Chamber Music Festival, and the Emilia Romagna Festival. The Quartet is currently on faculty at the San Francisco Conservatory of Music as their Quartet-in-Residence.

Notable collaborations include projects with cellists Norman Fischer and Bonnie Hampton; violinist Ian Swensen; pianist Simone Dinnerstein; and the Henschel Quartett. A fervent champion of 20th- and

21st-century repertoire, the Telegraph Quartet co-commissioned John Harbison's String Quartet No. 6 and gave its West Coast premiere in the fall of 2017 on San Francisco State University's Morrison Artists Series. The Quartet gave the world premiere of Robert Sirota's String Quartet No. 3, *Wave Upon Wave* at Weill Recital Hall for their Carnegie Hall debut in 2018, sponsored by the Naumburg Foundation. The Telegraph Quartet also premiered Richard Festinger's third string quartet, *Icarus in Flight*, a musical representation of climate change data from the year 1880 to projected simulations of 2080. In 2018 the Quartet released its debut album, *Into the Light*, featuring works by Anton Webern, Benjamin Britten, and Leon Kirchner on the Centaur label.

Beyond the concert stage, the Telegraph Quartet seeks to spread its music through education and audience engagement. In the fall of 2017, the Quartet traveled to communities and schools in mid-coast Maine with Yellow Barn's Music Haul, a mobile performance stage that brings music outside of the concert hall to communities across the U.S. The Quartet has given master classes at the San Francisco Conservatory of Music Collegiate and Pre-College Divisions, at San Francisco State University, and abroad at the Taipei National University of the Arts and National Taiwan Normal University. Members of the Quartet hold teaching positions in chamber music and private instruction at the San Francisco Conservatory of Music's College and Pre-College programs.

While the Telegraph Quartet is indebted to numerous mentors and teachers, their primary musical guidance and support has come from Mark Sokol, Bonnie Hampton, and Ian Swensen, at the San Francisco Conservatory of Music. The Telegraph Quartet is based in the San Francisco Bay Area.

For more information, visit www.telegraphquartet.com.