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ENSEMBLE SAN FRANCISCO

WORKS BY BARBER, TCHAIKOVSKY, SCHUMANN, & MENDELSSOHN

APRIL 25 – 6:30PM
ST. JOHN'S PRESBYTERIAN, SAN FRANCISCO

APRIL 26 – 4PM
CHRIST CHURCH, PORTOLA VALLEY



SF Classical Voice proclaims “Enter Ensemble San Francisco — a hip, unstuffy, and malleable group of high-quality chamber musicians who are dedicated to fresh programming!”

Ensemble San Francisco is joined by the tremendously talented young winners of its first annual student competition. Concerts are April 25th at 6:30 pm at St. John’s Presbyterian Church, 25 Lake St. at Arguello, San Francisco and April 26th at 4 pm at Christ Church, 815 Portola Rd. in Portola Valley.

Jonah Kim & Christine McLeavey Payne open the program with the tempestuous and romantic Sonata for Cello and Piano by Samuel Barber. Kim. Joseph McLellan of the Washington Post called Kim simply, “the next Yo-Yo Ma.”

Next, ESF is joined by its student competition winners. The string guests join for the first movement of Tchaikovsky’s Souvenirs de Florence, and the pianist joins for the

dramatic first movement of Schumann's Piano Quartet. The program closes with the audience favorite Mendelssohn Piano Trio in D minor as Kim and Payne are joined by SF Symphony's wonderful new violinist Elina Lev.

ESF is dedicated to changing the face of chamber music through innovative performances of the highest caliber in both traditional and iconoclastic settings. In addition to its mainstage concerts, it performs at schools, prisons, and hospitals throughout the Bay Area. It also focuses on building a new audience base for classical music by bringing concerts to companies such as Facebook and Dropbox.

Listing Information:

Ensemble San Francisco

Saturday, April 25, 6:30 PM at St. John's Presbyterian, San Francisco

Sunday, April 26, 4 PM at Christ Church, Portola Valley

Price: \$25; \$15 for seniors/students at box-office; by calling 415-758-0373; online

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Elina Lev, violin; Jessica Chang, viola; Jonah Kim, cello; Christine McLeavey Payne, piano; with winners of the first annual ESF Student Competition

BARBER	Sonata for Violoncello and Piano, Opus 6
TCHAIKOVSKY	Souvenir de Florence, Op. 70: Allegro con spirito
SCHUMANN	Piano Quartet in E-flat, Op. 47: Sostenuto assai – Allegro ma non troppo
MENDELSSOHN	Piano Trio No. 1 in D Minor, Op. 49

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