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Radius Ensemble Appointed Ensemble in Residence at Rivers School Conservatory

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WESTON, August 24, 2009 – The critically acclaimed chamber music group Radius Ensemble has been appointed Ensemble in Residence at the Rivers School Conservatory in Weston. Radius Ensemble will present a four-concert series at Rivers School Conservatory's Rivera Hall (333 Winter Street in Weston) and give master classes, composition seminars, and open rehearsals. Rivers students will be admitted to all Radius Ensemble concerts at Rivers half-price.



Radius Ensemble, now in its eleventh season, has earned rave reviews and a dedicated following by reinvigorating classical music for a new generation. A chamber music ensemble of winds, strings, and piano, Radius performs music from the classical period to the modern era, from beloved masterpieces to undiscovered gems. Its musicians are outstanding professionals inspired by tradition, willing to take risks, and committed to connecting with a diverse group of listeners. Founded in 1999 by oboist and impresario Jennifer Montbach, Radius's season includes a four-concert series at MIT's Killian Hall in Cambridge, where the group is ensemble in residence for the 2009-2010 academic year, as well as a four-concert series at the Rivers School Conservatory in Weston, where the group is also ensemble in residence. Radius has also appeared on concert series throughout New England, including the Rockport Chamber Music Festival and New York's Music in Chelsea. Radius has commissioned and premiered numerous works by Boston-area composers and has won several Meet the Composer grants from the National Endowment for the Arts/New England Foundation for the Arts. Committed to community outreach, Radius presents a free Saturday-morning family concert in Harvard Square, and a distributes free tickets to disadvantaged children and their parents or mentors through local community service agencies.

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The concert schedule for the 2009-2010 season follows. Tickets are \$15 and \$20 (\$10 for students and seniors) and include a post-concert reception with the artists. Subscriptions are available. Order online or get tickets at the door beginning at 7. There is a \$2 discount per ticket when ordering online. Visa and MasterCard accepted. Call 617.792.7234 or visit <http://radiusensemble.org> for more information.

An electronic press kit, including high resolution photos, is available at <http://radiusensemble.org/epk.htm>.

Saturday, October 3 at 8 pm

MIT's Killian Hall, 160 Memorial Drive in Cambridge

Sunday, October 4 at 4 pm

Rivers School Conservatory's Rivera Hall, 333 Winter Street in Weston

HOLLAND *Alchemy* for flute and cello

FRANÇAIX Wind Quartet

SCHUBERT Octet in F, D. 803

Thursday, November 12 at 7 pm

Rivers School Conservatory's Rivera Hall, 333 Winter Street in Weston

Saturday, November 14 at 8 pm

MIT's Killian Hall, 160 Memorial Drive in Cambridge

MARTINU Sonata for flute, violin and piano

RAN *Private Game* for clarinet and cello

MOZART Quintet in E-flat for horn and strings, K.407

D'RIVERA *Aires tropicales* for wind quintet

Saturday, March 13 at 8 pm

MIT's Killian Hall, 160 Memorial Drive in Cambridge

Sunday, March 14 at 4 pm

Rivers School Conservatory's Rivera Hall, 333 Winter Street in Weston

POULENC Sonata for clarinet and bassoon, Op. 32

EWAZEN *Roaring Fork* for wind quintet

BRAHMS Piano Quartet No. 2 in A, Op. 26

Sunday, May 16 at 4 pm

Rivers School Conservatory's Rivera Hall, 333 Winter Street in Weston

Saturday, May 22 at 8 pm

MIT's Killian Hall, 160 Memorial Drive in Cambridge

CANTELOUBE *Rustiques* for reed trio

BERGE *Horn-Lokk* for solo horn

EPSTEIN *Lost Motion* for clarinet and strings

World Premiere Commission by 2009-2010 composer in residence Marti Epstein

CRUMB *Vox balaenae (Voice of the Whale)* for amplified flute, cello and piano

Saturday, May 1 at 10:30 am

Christ Church Cambridge, Zero Garden Street in Harvard Square

Free Family Concert

Featuring Radius Ensemble's string players and Vivaldi's *Four Seasons*

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