

# Concert: The Wister Quartet

Sunday, November 13, 2022

3 pm

Free admission

The renowned string quartet will grace our sanctuary with a program of chamber music classics, including works by Mozart, Beethoven and cellist/composer Lloyd Smith. We hope you'll plan to join us for this wonderful concert – bring a friend! Admission is free. There will be a reception after the concert in the Parish Hall.

The Wister Quartet was named to honor Frances Anne Wister, the founder of The Philadelphia Orchestra's Volunteer Committees. Since its formation in 1987, it has earned high praise from critics and audiences alike for its superb musicianship and memorable performances. It was the inaugurating ensemble of the German Society of Pennsylvania's concert series, "Wister and More!" in 1991 and has appeared regularly on that series ever since. The Quartet has recorded for Direct-to-Tape Records; its first CD was nominated for a Grammy. It is the core ensemble of 1807 & Friends and is celebrating its 36th anniversary this season.

**Nancy Bean** has been a member of The Philadelphia Orchestra since 1983 and was its Assistant Concertmaster for 23 years before retiring in 2009 to devote herself to chamber music. She is Artistic Director of 1807 & Friends chamber ensemble and of the Amerita Chamber Players. She is violinist with the Florian Trio, Trio Montage, the Casimir Trio, Duo Parisienne, and Duo Paganini.

**Meichen Liao-Barnes** is Associate Concertmaster of the Chamber Orchestra of Philadelphia. She is a graduate of The Curtis Institute of Music and The Juilliard School, where her teachers included Yumi Ninomiya, Arnold Steinhardt, Ivan Galamian, and Dorothy Delay. She is a top prizewinner with the Great Neck Symphony, Hartford Symphony, Juilliard Concerto Competition, and is an Adjunct Professor at Temple University.

**Pamela Fay** is a substitute violist with The Philadelphia Orchestra. She has been a member of the Vancouver and Toronto Symphonies and was Assistant Principal Viola of the National Arts

Centre Orchestra in Ottawa. She is the violist of 1807 & Friends and the Amerita Chamber Players. She teaches and performs at Interlochen in the summer and has recently been performing as principal viola of the Manitoba Chamber Orchestra.

**Lloyd Smith** has been a member of The Philadelphia Orchestra since 1967. Named Assistant Principal cellist in 1988, he retired in 2003 to devote himself to chamber music and composing. He is the cellist of 1807 & Friends, the Florian Trio, the Casimir Trio, Trio Montage, and the Amerita Chamber Players. His major compositions include three string quartets, a string quintet and sextet, a cello sonata, a piano quartet, and a cello quartet and sextet.