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San Diego Chamber Music Society to Play Free Concert at Central Library

Program Will Feature Music for Horn and String Quartet

SAN DIEGO – The third concert in the City of San Diego Public Library fall concert series will be held on Sunday, September 23, 2007 at 2:30 p.m. The concert will feature the San Diego Chamber Music Society, with Juanita Cummins, violin; Branden Muresan, violin/viola; Roger Pine, viola; Lorie Kirkell, cello; and Bruce Dorcy, French horn. The performance will be held in the Third Floor auditorium of the Central Library, located at 820 E Street in downtown San Diego.

The program will start with two works from the classical period: Mozart's lyrical yet technically demanding Horn Quintet, K. 407 in E-flat major (1782), which includes some of the finest music ever written for the horn, and Beethoven's second string quartet, op. 18, no. 2 in G major (1798-1800), one of several works that the composer dedicated to his friend, the Czech prince Franz Joseph Lobkowitz. Ending the program is the Quintet for Horn and String Quartet (1952), by the German-born American composer Bernhard Heiden (1910-2000), a relatively unstudied composer who has written quite extensively for the horn.

Ms. Cummins is currently concertmaster of the Grossmont Symphony, first violin with the Grossmont String Quartet, concertmaster of the Tifereth Israel Community Orchestra and a member of the Poway Community Symphony. She also teaches several violin and piano students at her home in Ramona.

Mr. Muresan has conducted concerts given by the SDSU University Symphony and collaborated with the SDSU Opera Theatre for a production of Gilbert and Sullivan's "The Mikado". He has appeared often as guest conductor for both the Grossmont Symphony and the Palomar Symphony. He is currently on faculty at Grossmont Community College and the University of San Diego for studio violin instruction, music theory, and music appreciation

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Mr. Pine is a retired public school instrumental music teacher, having taught for 34 years for the Poway Unified School District. He currently is the assistant concertmaster of the Palomar Symphony Orchestra and the principal violist of the Poway Community Symphony Orchestra and has a large violin/viola studio at his home in Poway. He also is a busy freelancer both in San Diego County and in Baja California, Mexico.

Ms. Kirkell has developed a glowing career on the West Coast as a soloist, recitalist and chamber music player. She has appeared as principal cellist with the Bolshoi Ballet and San Francisco Ballet Orchestras and has been a member of the Grossmont Community College Music Department Faculty since 2002.

Mr. Dorcy was assistant principal/third horn of the National Ballet of Canada and Canadian Opera Orchestras from 1968-92 and principal horn with the Tafelmusik Baroque Orchestra for 11 years. Presently he is principal horn with the Pacific Chamber Symphony, the Bay Area's leading chamber orchestra, the Monterey Bay Symphony, Monterey Opera and Golden Gate Opera. He has performed with the Toronto Symphony, New York City Opera, New Jersey Symphony, American Ballet Theater, Buffalo Philharmonic, Seattle Symphony, Vancouver Symphony, San Francisco Opera, San Diego Chamber Orchestra and Las Vegas Philharmonic. He is also in demand as a studio musician and has performed on over 500 commercial recordings in New York, Toronto, Seattle, San Francisco and San Diego.

The concert is free and open to the public. **Parking is available at the Five Star Parking lot adjacent to the Library on Broadway and 8th.** In addition, parking meters are not enforced on Sundays, and other pay parking lots are available in the vicinity of the library.

For further information, please call the Library's Art and Music Department at 236-5810, or visit the Library web site at www.sandiegolibrary.org.

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