

Chamber Music Concerts Presents Quartetto di Cremona Italian String Quartet to Perform Music by Dvořák, Bartók, and Schumann

"It's a rare blend: ...perfect tuning and ensemble has the players sounding absolutely of one voice...Nothing less than life-affirming." Gramophone

Chamber Music Concerts presents Quartetto di Cremona on Saturday, October 26th at 3pm at the

Southern Oregon University Music Recital Hall, 450 S Mountain Ave, Ashland, OR. The quartet will perform Antonín Dvořák's String Quartet in F Major, Op. 96 "American;" Béla Bartók's String Quartet no. 4; and Robert Schumann's String Quartet in A Minor, Op. 41 no. 1. Tickets are \$49/\$59, with \$5 tickets for full-time SOU students and Oregon Trail Card holders, and \$10 tickets for SOU employees. To purchase tickets and see program details, visit ChamberMusicConcerts.org or call 541-552-6154.

Quartetto di Cremona, founded in 2000 and winner of the 2019 Franco Buitoni Award, are among the world's preeminent string quartets, noted for their lustrous sound, refined musicianship and stylistic versatility. According to *The Strad*, the Quartetto's Lincoln Center debut in 2022 "was distinguished by splendid balance, abundant colour and a relaxed mastery of all the musical elements." This season, the Quartetto mark their 25th Anniversary Season with a world tour that takes them to North America, Europe and Asia.



To celebrate their 25th season, the "Quartetto di Cremona 25 World Tour" comes to North America in October/November 2024 and in April 2025, with performances at venues including Music Toronto, the Society of the Four Arts in Palm Beach, FL, Friends of Chamber Music Denver, Aspect Chamber Music Series in New York and Longwood Gardens in Pennsylvania. In Europe, the quartet appears in Prague, Pully (Switzerland), Madrid and Rome. In January 2025, the Quartetto tours Taiwan and China and in December 2025, returns to Asia with stops in Tokyo and Yokohama, Japan to perform and to teach.

Quartetto di Cremona was established at the Accademia Walter Stauffer in Cremona, Italy, and has toured extensively in Europe, the United States, South America and Asia. In 2015, the musicians were awarded honorary citizenship by the city of Cremona, and in 2016, were awarded a loan of the famous the Paganini Quartet of Stradivarius instruments from the Nippon Music Foundation.