



Founded in 1987 by violist/Artistic Director Pamela Freund-Striplen and clarinetist Tony Striplen, Gold Coast Chamber Players perform world-class chamber music from many different eras in an intimate setting. We feature internationally-renowned musicians, many from the San Francisco Symphony, Opera, and Ballet Orchestras, as well as ensembles from the greater Bay Area.

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in an intimate setting**

We also regularly feature notable guest artists from around the world.

We are dedicated to education, and have brought concerts to nearly every public school in Lafayette, Moraga, and Orinda with our school outreach programs.

Gold Coast Chamber Players has been deemed "Best East Bay Chamber Group" by the East Bay Times, and received the 2015 Arts Achievement award from the Contra Costa Arts and Culture Commission.

Our 2017-18 program reflects the uniqueness and diversity of our repertoire. We hope you enjoy it!

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FAMILY BUSINESS

Saturday, September 23, 2017 at 7:30pm

PROGRAM

J. C. F Bach- Sonata II for violin, viola, and piano
 W.A. Mozart- Piano Quartet in E-flat, k.493
 Felix Mendelssohn- Sextet in D major, Op.110
 Fanny Henzel- Das Jahr for solo piano

MUSICIANS

Zaharias Grafilo*, violin, Paul Yarbrough* and Pamela Freund-Striplen, violas, Sandy Wilson*, cello, Stephen D'Damico, bass, and Bernadine Blaha, piano

*Alexander String Quartet



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CZECH MATE

Saturday, March 10, 2018 at 7:30pm

PROGRAM

Josef Suk- Elegie, Op. 23
 Bederich Smetana- Piano Trio, Op. 15
 Antonin Dvorak- Piano Quartet, Op. 67

MUSICIANS

Boston Trio- Irena Muresanu, violin, Jonah Ellsworth, cello, Heng-Jin Park, piano, with Pamela Freund-Striplen, viola



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WAYFARERS

Saturday, October 28, 2017 at 7:30pm

PROGRAM

Gustav Mahler-
new arrangements for mezzo-soprano and string quartet by Zaharias Grafilo

Lieder eines fahrenden Gesellen (Wayfarer Songs)
 Ruckert Lieder
 Kindertotenlieder

MUSICIANS

Alexander String Quartet-
 Zaharias Grafilo and Frederick Lifshitz, violins,
 Paul Yarbrough, viola, Sandy Wilson, cello,
 with Kindra Scharich, mezzo-soprano

PRE-CONCERT TALKS
 30 MINUTES BEFORE
 EACH CONCERT



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FANTEZIE

Saturday, February 3, 2018 at 7:30pm

PROGRAM

Georges Enescu- Octet, Op. 7 for strings
 Georges Enescu- Aubade for string trio
 Eugene Ysaÿe- Solo Violin Sonata No. 3
 "Georges Enescu"

MUSICIANS

Gil Sharon*, Florin Parvulescu, and Corina Stoian, violins, Ron Ephrat* and Pamela Freund-Striplen, violas, Jean-Michel Fonteneau and Jennifer Kloetzel, cellos

*Amati Ensemble, Netherlands



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FRENCH CONNECTION

Saturday, May 19, 2018 at 7:30pm

PROGRAM

Lili Boulanger- Piano Trio
 Maurice Ravel- Piano Trio in a minor
 Gabriel Faure- Piano Quartet No. 2, Op. 45

MUSICIANS

San Francisco Piano Trio- Axel Strauss, violin, Jean-Michel Fonteneau, cello, Jeffrey Sykes, piano, with Pamela Freund-Striplen, viola