



Palo Alto Chamber Orchestra

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**CYPRESS STRING QUARTET TO PERFORM  
WITH PALO ALTO CHAMBER ORCHESTRA DEC. 16**

DATE: Saturday, December 16  
TIME: 8:00 p.m.  
PLACE: Dinkelspiel Auditorium, Stanford University  
PROGRAM: Louis Spohr – Quartet Concertante  
Mark Fish – Twilight [world premiere]  
Beethoven - Symphony No. 8  
TICKETS: \$12 adults, \$10 seniors, \$6 students  
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PALO ALTO, Calif., Nov 17, 2005 – Hear the combined forces of the Palo Alto Chamber Orchestra (PACO) and the Sinfonia Ensemble performing Beethoven's wonderful Eighth Symphony plus a world premiere by local composer and violinist Mark Fish. This program features the Cypress String Quartet playing Louis Spohr's late-classical Quartet Concertante in A minor.

This concert, to be conducted by PACO's Music Director, Benjamin Simon, will take place on Saturday, December 16 at 8:00 p.m. at Stanford University's Dinkelspiel Auditorium, sponsored by Stanford University's Department of Music.

About the Soloists

The Cypress String Quartet has performed to great acclaim at prominent venues worldwide, including appearances at the Kennedy Center, the Chautauqua Institute, the Ravinia Festival, and Stanford Lively Arts. Quartet members Cecily Ward & Tom Stone, violins; Ethan Filner, viola; and Jennifer Kloetzel, cello, have been widely celebrated for their virtuoso performances, innovative programming and sincere dedication to education and outreach. Praised by the *Los Angeles Times* for their "assured, mature and thorough" interpretations of the classical repertoire, the Cypress is reaching out in new ways, with bold programming that ignites interest in chamber music.

About PACO

Founded in 1966, the Palo Alto Chamber Orchestra is composed of the Bay Area's most talented and promising high school musicians chosen by competitive audition. One of the few youth orchestras in the nation devoted exclusively to chamber music, PACO has participated in many international music festivals, has toured worldwide by special invitation, and has made 15 concert recordings. For more information visit <http://www.pacomusic.org>.

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