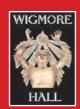


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# The Endellion String Quartet

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# Wednesday, 11 October 2017

String Quartet Op.54 No.1 HAYDN String Ouartet No.6 BARTÓK

String Quartet No.12 Op.127 **BFFTHOVEN** 

For its 39th season, the Endellion opens this series with a Haydn quartet bubbling with good natured warmth and vitality and blessed with an exceptionally serene and profound slow movement. Bartók's final and very expressive quartet is in turn wild, lyrical, sardonic and ultimately deeply tragic. Beethoven's Op.127 is one of the most radiant, melodious and uplifting of all his works.

## Friday, 2 February 2018

**BEETHOVEN** String Quartet Op.18 No.2 **MOZART** String Ouartet No.15 K.421

WFBFRN Six Bagatelles for String Quartet Op.9

**TCHAIKOVSKY** String Quartet No.3

Beethoven's charming and most Mozartian early quartet is followed by Mozart's intensely introspective and profound D minor quartet which opens with one of the most memorable of his melodies. Webern's astonishingly expressive Bagatelles take all of three and a half minutes but Schoenberg described Webern as being able to 'express a novel in a single gesture, joy in a single indrawn breath ... ' In contrast to this extreme concision is the luxurious expansiveness of Tchaikovsky's superb third and final quartet which is as masterly and moving as any of his symphonies.

## **Sunday, 13 May 2018**

String Quartet Op.76 No.4 ('Sunrise') **HAYDN** 

**TIPPETT** String Quartet No.2

String Quartet No.1 Op.51 No.1 **BRAHMS** 

Haydn's great 'Sunrise' is part of his wonderful Op.76 set ... the apogee of his composing career. Tippett's wonderfully inventive second quartet draws heavily on English Renaissance polyphony with vivacious cross rhythms and melodies constantly refreshing themselves. The slow movement is a dirge conceived in response to Neville Chamberlain's notorious 'piece of paper' in 1938. Brahms destroyed numerous quartets before he was satisfied they would stand comparison with Beethoven's and this one in C minor is the first of his three masterworks. Full of drive and energy, it nevertheless has a most tender love song as its slow movement.

All concerts begin at 7.30pm and end at approximately 9.30pm.

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