

**33 YEARS OF CELEBRATING
 THE JOY OF CHAMBER MUSIC**

We at the **Corpus Christi Chamber Music Society** feel that music is an important part of life. Everyone deserves the opportunity to experience great music. Our Program Director, Joan Allison, has been a driving force in the CCCMS for the past 29 years and shares her feelings about our musical mission: “When you enjoy the music in our concert series at Del Mar College Wolfe Recital Hall, there is an electricity in the atmosphere because we are presenting as great a performance as you can hear anywhere in the world in the most prestigious halls of the largest cities.” The CCCMS has brought thousands of students to special interactive “informances” created specifically for them and to the season concerts. “Young people react to these great performances even without any previous knowledge of music, because these star musicians have a magnetism that carries from the stage to anyone with an open heart and open mind.” Come join us for a musical journey that will delight all ages. Season tickets will be on sale in May. See contact information below.

**REACH OUT FOR MUSIC INITIATIVE 2014-15
 SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY OUTREACH PROGRAMS**

November 7-8, 2014, Donald Sinta Saxophone Quartet... 400 students from the Gregory-Portland High School and four CCISD schools attended the educational performance or “informance”—part concert, part lecture, and 100% student interaction. The Quartet artists shared their vision for their program: to inspire students to open their minds to something completely new and develop an appreciation of music as art. Despite the cancellation due to rain of the scheduled concert at Art Walk, the ensemble was welcomed at Trinity Towers for an impromptu performance for residents and later that evening at the Bleu Bistro as part of the community Casual Classics Series. Saturday was special at the HEB *plus!* at Saratoga when the Quartet performed an impromptu pop-up performance for shoppers. All programs were offered free of charge thanks to the generous support by HEB.

November 21, 2014, Enso String Quartet....The City of Corpus Christi Arts and Cultural Commission sponsored an informance at Baker Middle School for 70 Corpus Christi Youth Orchestra students. Many of the students brought their instruments. There were lively interchanges between the performers and the student listeners both on and offstage. See photo below.

February 20, 2015, Hamlet Piano Trio....This international ensemble from Italy, England, and Serbia presented a noon concert at Del Mar College Wolfe Recital Hall that was provided free of charge to students and the community. In the afternoon, Mary Carroll High School students were enthusiastic about the Trio’s informance. Pianist Paolo Giacometti said his goal for the outreach programs was “to keep [the composer] and his musical message alive.” The Coastal Bend Community Foundation sponsored these two outreach concerts.

March 28, 2015, Elias Quartet....The CCCMS Reach Out for Music Fund provided 60 concert tickets to the Corpus Christi Youth Orchestra students.



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THE 2015-16 CONCERT SEASON

Miro Quartet, October 3, 2015. "Explosive vigor and finesse" *The New York Times*

Chiara Quartet, November 21, 2015. "Luminous performances" *The New York Times*

Gryphon Trio, January 23, 2016. "... one of Canada's finest chamber groups." *Classical Music Magazine*

Shanghai Quartet with Wu Man, pipa virtuoso (Chinese lute), February 27, 2016. Wu Man was *Musical America's* 2013 Instrumentalist of the Year

Calmus Ensemble, April 2, 2016. "...stunning in its vocal variety, mastery." *The Washington Post*

American String Quartet, April 16, 2016. "Luxurious, beautifully sculptured performances." *The New York Times*

CORPUS CHRISTI CHAMBER MUSIC SOCIETY RECOGNIZED BY CHAMBER MUSIC AMERICA

The following are excerpts from a letter dated November 25, 2014 from Margaret M. Lioi, Chief Executive Officer of Chamber Music of America to the CCCMS. "As the chief executive officer of Chamber Music America—a service organization representing approximately 6,000 professionals in the field—I can confidently assert that the Corpus Christi Chamber Music Society (CCCMS) is among the most highly regarded concert presenters in the country, as evidenced by both its longevity (33 consecutive seasons) and its consistent presentation of world-renowned ensembles, whether American or internationally based. Almost every string quartet or piano trio that has appeared at CCCMS has—or is on the path to gaining—a major national or international reputation. (The Emerson String Quartet, certainly the most important and sought-after ensemble in the U.S. today, has performed on the CCCMS series no less than six times.) In fact, it is difficult to name very many American concert presenters that have attained the CCCMS standard. One of the societies that has done the most consistent job of sustaining these artists' careers—while bringing some of the greatest music in the Western tradition to their home city—is the Corpus Christi Chamber Music Society. Chamber Music America strongly supports. . . the Corpus Christi Chamber Music Society to continue its longstanding tradition of presenting the world's top classical ensembles."



Helping students expand their minds and their horizons through appreciation of classical music.

REACH OUT FOR MUSIC DONATIONS

Please consider making a tax-deductible donation to support the Corpus Christi Chamber Music Society's classical music outreach programs in our schools and community. 100% of your donation helps the CCCMS continue to provide these innovative programs through the **Reach Out for Music Initiative**. Your support is appreciated. Donations by check may be mailed to the **Corpus Christi Chamber Music Society**, PO Box 60124, Corpus Christi, TX 78466-0124.



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