

The String Quartet Society of Tuscaloosa

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Presents



The DaPonte String Quartet

4:00 p.m., Sunday, April 24, 2005

Moody Music Building, The Univ. of Alabama

Sponsored by Gene Beatty Dean and

The Gloria Narramore Moody Foundation

The DaPonte String Quartet was formed in Philadelphia in 1991. Their mentor and coach was Edgar Ortenberg of the Budapest String Quartet. The musicians are conservatory-trained at Juilliard, Peabody, and the Conservatoire National Supérieur de Musique de Paris. In 1995 they moved to Maine on a Rural Residency grant from Chamber Music America and the National Endowment for the Arts. From this base, they have built an international reputation, touring widely and receiving excellent reviews of performances and CDs. They have a deep

commitment to fostering the love of music in children and will present an in-school program while in Tuscaloosa. For their Tuscaloosa concert, the DaPonte will perform Franz Schubert's String Quartet Op. 125, No.1, in E flat Major; David Del Tredici's First String Quartet No 1; and Alfred Pochon's Ballade. The DaPonte Quartet commissioned the Del Tredici composition from the Pulitzer Prize-winning composer. The work will have its New York premiere at Carnegie Hall on April 15 preceding its Southeastern premiere in Tuscaloosa.

The String Quartet Society of Tuscaloosa (SQST)

The SQST was created in 1998 to celebrate and foster the enjoyment of string quartet music. The group brings some of the finest quartets in the world to Tuscaloosa to provide high-quality performances and to enrich our cultural environment. The SQST also sends guest quartets to area schools to introduce students to classical music and to cultivate an appreciation of the stringed instruments. While in Tuscaloosa, the DaPonte will present a specially designed children's program to fifth-grade students at Rock Quarry Elementary School. The SQST provides free concert tickets to all students.

Future SQST Concerts

The SQST will present both a fall and a spring program during the 2005-06-concert season. Please watch for an August mailing regarding upcoming performances.

Ticket Orders

Ticket Price: \$15.00: Admission is FREE for persons 18 & under & for all students with valid student IDs.

Name _____	Address _____
Number of DaPonte tickets @ \$15.00 _____	Ticket Amount \$ _____
	Donation Amount \$ _____
Enclose check made payable to SQST:	Total \$ _____

**Send order form to SQST, P.O. Box 2730, Suite 144, Tuscaloosa, 35403.
Tickets also may be purchased at the door or by calling 205-339-1594.**