

THE VIOLA SINGS

By NOREE CHAMBER SOLOISTS

Thursday, April 12, 2018, 7PM

Church of the Blessed Sacrament
(152 W 71st Street, NYC)

Yoon Lee (soloist), piano

Stella Chen, Bela Horvath, violin

Sung Jin Lee (soloist), Caeli Smith (soloist), viola

Aaron Wolff, Mariko Wyrick, Yi Qun Xu, cello

Annabel Chiu, double bass

Mozart Piano Concerto No. 23 in A Major

Ligeti Solo Viola Sonata

Derek Bermel *Soul Garden* for Viola and String Quintet

Brahms String Quintet No.1 in F Major

The twentieth and twenty-first centuries saw a great surge of repertoire for the viola. Noree Chamber Soloists is thrilled to present two such works in its April concert: *Soul Garden* for Viola and String Quintet by Derek Bermel, an exhilaratingly eclectic American composer, and the haunting Sonata for Solo Viola by the twentieth-century master György Ligeti. In Brahms's String Quintet, also known as the "viola quintet," bask in the warmth of sound that arises from its unusual use of a second viola. Piano Concerto in A Major by Mozart—a skilled player and appreciator of the viola, incidentally—will make you ponder, once again, why the eighteenth-century genius still enchants us centuries later.

