

CECILIA STRING QUARTET

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Awards

- First Prize and Canadian Commission Piece Prize, Banff International String Quartet Competition (Banff, AB. September 2010)
- Prix de la Sacem, Concours International de Quatuor à Cordes de Bordeaux (Bordeaux, France. May 2010)
- First Prize and Melpomene Prize, Rutenberg Chamber Music Competition (Tampa, FL. November 2008)
- Second Prize, Osaka International Chamber Music Competition (Osaka, Japan. May 2008)
- Galaxie Rising Stars Award in Canada (Ottawa, ON. August 2007)
- University of Toronto Felix Galimir Award for Chamber Music Excellence (Toronto, ON. May 2005)

Performance Highlights

- Wigmore Hall, London, England
- Winter Chamber Music Festival at Northwestern University, Evanston, IL USA
- Music in the Morning, Vancouver, BC Canada
- Beethoven-haus, Bonn, Germany
- Konzerthaus Berlin, Berlin, Germany
- Concertgebouw, Amsterdam, Netherlands
- Ottawa Chamber Music Society, Ottawa, ON Canada
- Mazzoleni Concert Hall at the Royal Conservatory of Music, Toronto, ON Canada
- Toronto Summer Music Festival, Toronto, ON Canada
- Concerts ProQuartet, cycle Jeunes Talents, Paris, France
- La Jolla Music Society, North County, CA USA
- Music Toronto, Toronto, ON Canada
- Austin Chamber Music Festival, Austin, TX USA
- Northern Lights Music Festival, Ajijic, Mexico

Projects

- 4 CD recording contract with Analekta Records: The first CD, released in March 2012, features works by Antonín Dvořák, including Quartet Op.106 and a selection of Cypresses. The second CD will feature the music by Janáček, Berg, and Webern, and is scheduled to be released in Spring 2013. (Ongoing)
- The Snow Queen: A multimedia production based on Patrick Cardy's setting of the Hans Christian Andersen fairytale 'The Snow Queen' for string quartet and actor, performed with Alon Nashman. (February 2011)
- Common Ground: A one-week residency at The Banff Centre to rehearse, premiere and record four new quartets by members of the Commons Sense Composers Collective Belinda Reynolds, Melissa Hui, Mark Mellits and Ed Harsh. Funded by The Banff Centre and Common Sense Composer's Collective. (January 2010)
- BLiM - Breathing Life into Music: Two two-week residencies in Pont-Royal France to study and premiere the quartets of Théodore Dubois (1837-1924) and Liam Wade (b. 1978). Funded by the Odyssee Grant from the ACCR and ProQuartet. (March-June 2009)