



**FAYETTEVILLE SYMPHONY MUSICIANS TO PERFORM
TWO CHAMBER MUSIC CONCERTS IN HISTORIC
ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH THIS JANUARY 2018**

This January, principal musicians of the Fayetteville Symphony Orchestra will perform two chamber music concerts in the historic St. John's Episcopal Church in Downtown Fayetteville. The first chamber concert, titled "The French Connection", will occur on Thursday, January 11th at 7:30pm. This concert will feature the Fayetteville Symphony Orchestra String Quartet performing Ravel's String Quartet, a cornerstone composition of French Impressionism. This concert is dedicated to the Francophiles and Lafayette lovers in the area as the Fayetteville Symphony Orchestra String Quartet performs a concert of French related music to pay tribute to the Lafayette connection here in Fayetteville. The Fayetteville Symphony Orchestra String Quartet will include Associate Concertmaster Erica Shirts, Principal Second Violin Anne Leyland, Violist Simon Ertz, and Principal Cellist Nate Leyland.

The second chamber concert, titled "Music of the New World," will occur on Thursday, January 25th at 7:30pm. This concert will feature the Fayetteville Symphony Orchestra Brass and Woodwind Quintets performing a series of American works including ones by famous American composers such as Foster, Gershwin, and Bernstein, among others. This concert will be a great opportunity to hear music composed solely by American composers and listen to a series of works you wouldn't necessarily hear on a typical orchestra concert. The Fayetteville Symphony Orchestra Brass Quintet includes Principal Trumpet Dr. Tim Altman, Second Trumpet and Youth Orchestra Director Dr. Larry Wells, Principal French Horn Steve Skillman, Principal Trombonist Jesse Rackley, and Principal Tubist Dr. Andrew Smith. The Fayetteville Symphony Orchestra Woodwind Quintet includes Principal Flutist Sarah Busman, Principal Oboist Jessica Miller, Principal Clarinetist Darrin Thiriot, Principal Bassoonist Patrick Herring, and Principal French Horn Steve Skillman.

Tickets are \$28 for adults, \$25 for seniors/military, and \$11 for students with an ID or children ages 6-18. Children 5 and under are free. Tickets can be purchased online at www.fayettevillesymphony.org, or over the phone at (910)433-4690.

Limited seating is available as the church only holds a maximum capacity of 300. The symphony encourages people to purchase their tickets in advance to guarantee themselves a seat.

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