

## Stockton Chamber Players Unite Bay-Atlantic Symphony String Quartet and Stockton Chamber Orchestra for Dec. 4 Performance

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**Galloway Township**, **NJ-** The Stockton Chamber Players will bring together the Bay-Atlantic Symphony String Quartet and the Stockton College Chamber Orchestra for a free concert on **Thursday**, **Dec. 4, 2014** at 7:30 p.m. in the Alton Auditorium, on the college's main Galloway campus.

The Stockton Chamber Players, which were revived earlier this year, originally existed from 1975 to 1997 as part of the Stockton Performing Arts program and featured performances by Stockton music faculty in concerts of chamber music.

Under the leadership of Dr. Christopher DiSanto, associate professor of Music and coordinator of the Classical Music Studies program, the Stockton Chamber Players are bringing together the Bay-Atlantic Symphony String Quartet and the Stockton College Chamber Orchestra to perform works of Antonin Dvořák, Franz Josef Hayden and W.A. Mozart.

The Stockton Chamber Players engage the community by bringing heightened awareness and visibility to the Music program on and off-campus, by offering students a unique, side-by-side mentorship/internship opportunity and allowing the college to collaborate with professional musicians, which in turn brings the community to Stockton, increasing the college's overall community profile.

The Bay-Atlantic Symphony String Quartet is comprised of Ruotao Mao, of Princeton, NJ; Nancy Jan, of Berlin, NJ; Ana Tsinadze, of Cherry Hill, NJ; and Elizabeth Mendoza, of Havertown, PA.

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The Stockton Chamber Orchestra is comprised of both Stockton students and community members. Students include Alexandria Chan, of Parlin, NJ; Charles Estrada, of Mount Laurel, NJ; Anastasia McGeoch, of New Gretna, NJ; Madelyn Parkhurst, of Hammonton, NJ; Betsabe Santiago, of Bridgeton, NJ; and Nancy Wraga, of Secaucus, NJ. Community members include Dennis McCann, of Egg Harbor City, NJ and high school student Michal Pawlowski, of Egg Harbor City, NJ.

Dr. DiSanto, of Springfield, PA, will conduct, as well as perform, as the clarinet soloist. "It is an absolute honor to be able to conduct and perform with this group of extremely talented individuals," Dr. DiSanto explained. "It is wonderful to watch the students grow throughout the semester and join together with the community and professionals to perform beautiful music this evening."

This performance is free and open to the public. Alton Auditorium is located on the campus of The Richard Stockton College of New Jersey, on Jim Leeds Road in Pomona (Galloway Township). Just 12 miles west of Atlantic City, the campus is easily accessible from the Garden State Parkway and the Atlantic City Expressway.

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