

THE WESTMONT MUSIC DEPARTMENT IS EXCITED TO PRESENT ITS

2020 VIRTUAL CONCERT SEASON

ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT: CARNEVALE QUARTET FEATURING SARAH PFISTER '12, VIOLA

*Aired Friday, September 25, 2020 at 7 p.m.
Filmed at The Ruse Philharmonic Concert Hall in Bulgaria*

PROGRAM

Pavane Op. 50 Gabriel Fauré (1845-1924)

Duet for Cello and Bass Gioacchino Rossini (1792-1863)

I. Allegro

String Quartet Op. 18 No. 4 Ludwig van Beethoven (1770-1827)

I. Allegro ma non tanto

Se viver non degg'io from Mitridate Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart (1756-1791)

Serenata in Eb Major Gioacchino Rossini (1792-1863)

PERFORMERS



Sarah Pfister majored in violin and viola performance and earned a master's degree in viola performance with an emphasis in violin Suzuki pedagogy at the University of Hartford Hartt School of Music. She taught violin and viola at the Greenwich Suzuki Academy in Connecticut for several years before moving to Ruse, Bulgaria where she now serves as principal violist of the Ruse State Opera Orchestra and plays as a member of the Carnevale Quartet. In addition to performing, Sarah and her husband serve with Operation Mobilization as vocational missionaries using their musical gifts to serve the local church and run a family music education program called "Joyful Sounds".



The Carnevale Quartet was formed in 2019 by principal members from the Ruse State Opera Orchestra who all shared a love and passion for playing chamber music together. The name of the quartet is both in honor of our founding first violinist Roberto Carnevale and to symbolize our goal as an ensemble to share the joy of music with one another and to create an enjoyable and meaningful experience for our audiences. The Carnevale Ensemble grew out of the Carnevale Quartet in 2020 to include additional wind players in order to expand the repertoire and concert possibilities of the group.

Carnevale Ensemble Players: Nadya Andreeva, Flute; Zdravko Saraliev, Clarinet; Nicola Zampis, Oboe; Roberto Carnevale, 1st Violin; Mila Ivanova, 2nd Violin; Sarah Shasberger, Viola; Plamena Velichkova, Cello; Silvana Petkova, Bass

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