

Fine Arts Quartet to perform here

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The Fine Arts Quartet, the longest established chamber music ensemble in America, will perform at 8 p.m. Thursday, April 21, in the Mandeville Auditorium of the University of California, San Diego.

The Quartet, which includes Leonard Sorkin (first violinist), Abram Loft (second violinist), Bernard Zaslav (violinist) and George Sopkin (cellist), has performed for 30 years in concert halls throughout the United States and Europe. Its longevity as a group attests to its continuing popularity before audiences large and small.

The members of the ensemble are gifted teachers as well as performers, and have lectured, coached and conducted seminars at Northwestern University, the Cleveland Institute of Music, The Aspen School of Music, the Royal Conservatory of Copenhagen and elsewhere. Since 1963 they have been professors and artists-in-residence at the University of Wisconsin at Milwaukee.

The Fine Arts Quartet has been praised by critics as "a distinguished team of players" (London Times); "one of the finest quartets to come to Washington in a long time (Washington Post); "one of our best (New York Times), and "a phenomenal quartet, unsurpassed...." (Amsterdam, Het Vrijie Volk).

Performing as guest artist with the Quartet at the Mandeville concert will be Walter Trampler on viola. The selections will include "Quintet in D Major, K.593" and "Quintet in G Minor, K.516" by Mozart and "Quartet No. 3" by Shostakovitch.

The Fine Arts Quartet concert is presented by the UC San Diego Faculty Chamber Music Series in cooperation with the Campus Program Board. Tickets are \$2.50 for UC San Diego students and \$6.50 for general admission. For ticket information telephone the UCSD box office, 452-4559.

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