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### CHILINGIRIAN STRING QUARTET WILL PERFORM AT UCSD ON JAN. 16

The Chilingirian String Quartet, called "one of the great string quartets of our day" (The Boston Globe), will have its UCSD debut performance at 8 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 16, in the University of California, San Diego Mandeville Auditorium.

The group was formed in 1971 at the Royal College of Music, London. Violinist Levon Chilingirian joined with violists Mark Butler and Simon Rowland-Jones, and cellist Philip DeGroot, to quickly establish one of the leading British ensembles with a highly celebrated international reputation. Louise Williams has recently replaced Mark Butler.

These distinguished artists form a quartet whose dynamism and musical vision make it one of the most exciting ensembles of their generation. A New York Times critic advised, "Mark down on your short list of chamber ensembles the Chilingirian String Quartet."

For its UCSD performance the quartet will play Mozart: Quartet in D Major K. 575; Tippett: Quartet No. 4, and Schubert: Quartet in A Major.

The Chilingirian repeatedly has earned invitations to the world's top music festivals, including the Edinburgh Festival, the Bath Festival and the Flanders Festival, along with London's famed Promenade Concerts (The Proms), the South Bank Music Festival and Royal Festival Hall.

For the 1987-88 season, the quartet will tour the United States, Canada, Australia and New Zealand. Its many appearances will include an engagement at the 92nd Street "Y" in June 1988, representing Britain in the New York International Music Festival.

The quartet has been in residence at the University of Liverpool where they acquired an all-encompassing repertoire including all the standard works of the classical, romantic and modern eras.

Active recording artists, the Chilingirian String Quartet has made albums with EMI, RCA, CRD, Chandos and Nimbus labels, and include premiere recordings of the quartets of Korngold, a double album of the three quartets of Schubert, Mozart's six "Haydn" quartets, the Debussy and Ravel quartets, and Schubert's great "String Quartet in C." The latest album featuring the Schubert "Octet" was just released by EMI, which also recently issued their performance of the Elgar "String Quartet" and "Piano Quintet."

Tickets are available from the UCSD Box Office and from TicketMaster outlets. The UCSD Chamber Music Series ticket prices are: \$65 Orchestra; \$55 main floor. Single tickets are: \$17 single orchestra; \$15 single main floor.

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