

## **UCSD to present the Prazak String Quartet, Feb. 27 in Mandeville Auditorium**

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Since it was formed twenty years ago in Prague, Czechoslovakia, the Prazak String Quartet has competed and won honors in music festivals worldwide. Known for its virtuosity and for its performance of Czech composers, especially, the ensemble will perform a program of Czech music, at 8 p.m. Feb. 27, in the Mandeville Auditorium at the University of California, San Diego.

Single tickets are \$18 and may be purchased at the UCSD Price Center Box Office and from TicketMaster outlets.

Members of the ensemble are Vaclav Remes and Vlastimil Holek, violins; Josef Kluson, viola and Michal Kanka, cello.

The program will be Jan Jakub Ryba: Czech Classicism; Leos Janacek: Quartet No. 1 and Bedrich Smetana: Quartet No. 1 in E minor: "From My Life."

The quartet has received numerous awards, including First Prize in the Chamber Music Competition, Prague Conservatory (1974), First Prize at the Czechoslovakian National Competition of String Quartets (1978) and Grand Prize at a String Quartet Competition of The International Prague Spring Festival, among others.

Joshua Kosman of the San Francisco Chronicle has said the group performed with "...a wonderful depth of feeling."

David Buendler of the Pasadena Star News said, "Smetana's Quartet No. 1: "From My Life," benefited from a dramatic reading of full-blooded Romanticism with expressive dynamics--telling pianissimos, robust fortes, surprising sotto voces."

This event is brought to San Diego by the UCSD University Events Office. Parking permits are required on the UCSD campus and may be purchased at the Gilman Drive and Northview Drive information pavilions. Evening permits are \$3. For additional information call 534-4090.

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