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The Alexander String Quartet, winner of the 1985 Portsmouth International Competition and the first quartet ever to win the Concert Artists Guild International Award, will perform at 8 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 8, in the Mandeville Auditorium, at the University of California, San Diego.

Tickets are \$18 general admission, and may be purchased at the UCSD Price Center Box Office or from TicketMaster outlets.

The program will be: Copland: Movement for String Quartet; Copland: Two Pieces for String Quartet; Gershwin: "Lullaby"; Barber: String Quartet, Op. 11, and Beethoven: String Quartet in E-flat Major, Op. 127.

The quartet members are: Ge-Fang Yang, violinist; Frederick Lifnitz, violin; Paul Yarbrough, viola and Sandy Wilson, cello.

The ensemble was formed in 1981, and soon was performing in prominent concert venues throughout the United States and Europe, including Lincoln Center and the 92nd St. Y in New York; at Jordon Hall in Boston and the Library of Congress in Washington, D.C.

The quartet holds residencies at Baruch College of the City University of New York; Allegheny College and the Highlands Chamber Music Festival in North Carolina. Since 1989, members have been directors of the Morrison Chamber Music Center at San Francisco State University and ensemble-in-residence with San Francisco Performances.

The ensemble has recorded works of Barber, Copland and Gershwin on the CMP Amplitude label, and this year recorded a disc of works by Peter Scott Lewis on the New Albion label. The quartet was featured in the NPR documentary, "Aaron Copland: A Self-Portrait."

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