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Presents
Emerson String Quartet
on Friday, April 27 at 8pm
at NEC's Jordan Hall

(Boston) Celebrity Series of Boston will present **Emerson String Quartet** on Friday, April 27 at 8pm at NEC's Jordan Hall, 30 Gainsborough Street, Boston. This performance is sponsored by the Celebrity Series Friends of Chamber Music. Media partner is 99.5 All Classical.

Tickets for the Emerson String Quartet start at \$47, and are available online at www.celebrityseries.org, by calling CelebrityCharge at (617) 482-6661 Monday-Friday 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m., or at the Jordan Hall box office, 30 Gainsborough Street, Boston.

This is the Emerson String Quartet's nineteenth performance with the **Celebrity Series of Boston**; their debut was in 1987.

The Emerson String Quartet stands alone in the history of string quartets with an unparalleled list of achievements over three decades: over thirty acclaimed recordings produced with Deutsche Grammophon since 1987, nine Grammy® Awards (including two for Best Classical Album, an unprecedented honor for a chamber music group), three Gramophone Awards, the coveted Avery Fisher Prize, and cycles of the complete Beethoven, Bartók, Mendelssohn and Shostakovich string quartets in the world's musical capitals.

The Emerson is Quartet-in-Residence at Stony Brook University, where, in addition to a concert series, teaching, and chamber music coaching throughout the academic year, it has conducted intensive string quartet workshops in 2004, 2006 and 2008. The Quartet has also overseen three Professional Training Workshops at Carnegie's Weill Music Institute. In the 2006-2007 season, Carnegie Hall invited the Emerson to present its own Perspectives series, a nine-concert exploration titled Beethoven in Context, held in Isaac Stern Auditorium. In March 2004 the Quartet was named the 18th recipient of the Avery Fisher Prize - another first for a chamber ensemble.

Formed in 1976, the Emerson String Quartet took its name from the American poet and philosopher Ralph Waldo Emerson. Violinists Eugene Drucker and Philip Setzer alternate in the first chair position and are joined by violist Lawrence Dutton and cellist David Finckel. Since January 2002, Messrs.

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Drucker, Setzer and Dutton have stood for their performances; Mr. Finckel sits on a podium. The Quartet is based in New York City.

The program for this performance is as follows:

Haydn

String Quartet in F Major, Opus 77, No. 2

Thomas Adès

Four Quarters (Boston premiere)

Dvořák

String Quartet in No. 13 in G Major, Opus 106

About Celebrity Series of Boston

The Celebrity Series of Boston is New England's leading presenter of music, dance and the performing arts from around the world. Now in its 73rd season, the Celebrity Series brings performances by instrumental and vocal soloists, orchestras and chamber ensembles, dance companies, jazz, folk and ethnic artists and ensembles to Boston's major concert halls. Through the Arts, Education and Community Program, the Celebrity Series reaches thousands of youngsters annually with opportunities to experience and participate in the performing arts through concerts, workshops, and the award-winning AileyCamp Boston, an intensive six-week summer dance program for Boston middle school students. For more information on Celebrity Series of Boston, call (617) 482-2595 or visit us online at www.celebrityseries.org.

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