"the brilliant Brodowski are a group to watch out for"

The Independent

Brodows Schulhoff: Five Pieces for String Quartet Quartet

Thursday II April 2013

7.00pm (please note start time)

for String Quartet

John Pickard:

String Quartet No. 5 Commissioned by The Carr-Gregory Trust – World Première

Schubert:

Quartet in D minor D810 Death and the Maiden



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Brodowski Quartet

David Brodowski violin

Catrin Win Morgan violin

Felix Tanner viola

Reinoud Ford cello

"A performance of startling energy... a master class in ensemble playing" is how Musical Pointers described the Brodowski Quartet's most recent Southbank Centre performance.

They now make a welcome return to the Purcell Room at Queen Elizabeth Hall with a typically enterprising programme including a well-loved masterpiece, a neglected gem and a brand new work commissioned from John Pickard. Of his first four quartets, Tempo magazine declared that "even if Pickard were never to write another quartet in his life, his position among the greats is secure". Now, after a fifteen year wait, and in his 50th birthday year, a typically powerful and energetic new addition to an already distinguished cycle is finally unveiled.

First Prize Winners of the 2008 Royal Overseas League Competition, the quartet members, originating from Germany, Wales, Scotland and England are based in London. They are currently 'Associate Artists' at the Anvil Concert Hall in Basingstoke and 'Quartet in Residence' at both Bristol University and Warwick School. Last year they were recipients of the Richard Carne Fellowship for Chamber Ensembles at Trinity College of Music, where they previously held the Bulldog Scholarship for String Quartet.

The Quartet won the Second Prize at the 2009 'Gaetano Zinetti' International Chamber Music Competition in Italy, also winning the Special Award of 'Artists in Residence' for 2010. The Quartet was selected as Park Lane Group Young Artists for 2008, giving a critically acclaimed recital at the Purcell Room at Queen Elizabeth Hall in London. In 2007 they were winners of the Val Tidone International Chamber Music Competition in Italy and were also prize winners in the Charles Hennen International Chamber Music Competition in the Netherlands broadcast live on Radio 4 Netherlands.

"a foursome to watch; up and coming young quartet" The Times

"These virtuosic young players demonstrated the flare with which they tackle the most challenging of works"

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