

Quartet Albéniz

String Quartet

Guillem Calvo, violin

Mireia Ferrer, violin

Núria Garcia, viola

Alberto Ferrés, cello

Mozart String Quartet No.17 in B flat major, K458 "Hunt"

Allegro vivace assai

Menuetto e Trio

Adagio

Allegro assai

Shostakovich String Quartet No.7 in F sharp minor, Op.108

Allegretto

Lento

Allegro – Allegretto

Beethoven String Quartet No.10 in E flat major, Op.74 "Harp"

Poco Adagio – Allegro

Adagio ma non troppo

Presto

Allegretto con Variazioni

Quartet Albéniz is a recently formed string quartet based in Barcelona. Its four members - Guillem Calvo, Mireia Ferrer, Núria Garcia and Alberto Ferrés - decided to broaden the chamber music repertoire on offer in their country with perhaps the most classic of formations, the string quartet.

The musicians of the Quartet Albéniz studied both in Spain and abroad and had the opportunity to work with some of the most important performers of the chamber music world, including Yossi Zivoni, Shmuel Ashkenasi, Rivka Golani, Tsuyoshi Tsutsumi and other prestigious musicians from renowned quartets such as the Vermeer String Quartet, the Sacconi Quartet, Tokyo String Quartet, Quatuor Ysaÿe and the Quartet Casals from whom they currently receive coaching.

After more than two years of playing together, the Quartet Albéniz have had the privilege of performing in some of the most acclaimed national festivals, including the Concert Series in *Pedrer del Mas i mas* (Barcelona), *Asparrena Musiketana* (Euskadi) and the *String Quartet Festival of Perelada*, as well as in concerts all around Spain, including the Casa-Museo Jovellanos in Gijón, Palau de Vivel in Castelló and Casa Elizalde in Barcelona.

Some of the new projects they are working on at the moment include a tour in England in collaboration with ILAMS and the Cervantes Institute, as well as their first CD recording with the label *music-chamber* (London). This summer the quartet will be playing the Schumann Piano Quintet to commemorate the 200th anniversary of his birth, with the international concert pianist Katia Mitchell at the summer Festivals of Sitges and Palafrugell.