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## **Atlanta Chamber Players Launch 41<sup>st</sup> Season**

*World Premieres, a Free Concert, and an All-Norwegian Program*

ATLANTA, August 22, 2016 – The Atlanta Chamber Players (ACP) have announced their 41<sup>st</sup> season of intimate, chamber music concerts. Seven concert events are planned for the 2016-2017 season, highlighting the wide variety of classical music performed by the ACP. Featuring music from three centuries, well known works, world premieres, and a program of all-Norwegian composers. This season takes the ensemble across Atlanta and to Kennesaw and Lawrenceville. Opening at the Shakespeare Tavern with the World Premiere of Mark Buller's piece *Motion Studies*, which is the Grand Prize Winner of the ACP's national Rapido! Composition Contest. That concert also includes Beethoven's masterful *Archduke Trio*, and a 20th century work by French composer Albert Roussel.

On December 4, the ACP performs Brahms Clarinet Trio and two pieces by Ralph Vaughan Williams, including the beloved *Lark Ascending* with ASO concertmaster David Coucheron. January finds the ACP presenting two concerts featuring the renowned soprano Indra Thomas. First, a free concert will take place at Spelman College on January 22, and then the ACP will perform at Lawrenceville venue 550 Trakside on January 31.

In March, a pair of special concerts will be presented at KSU and at St. Dunstan's Church. Violinist David Coucheron presents the music of composers from his home, Norway. He will perform with his sister, pianist Julie Coucheron, ACP Artistic Director Elizabeth Pridgen, and guest artist Efe Baltacigil, Principal Cellist of the Seattle Symphony.

The ACP closes its 41st season at the Shakespeare Tavern on May 9. That event includes a stunning arrangement of Johann Strauss's beloved *Blue Danube* for piano 4-hands, and a World Premiere of an ACP Commission from Richard Prior, a composer and Professor of Music at Emory University.

For more information, visit [atlantachamberplayers.com](http://atlantachamberplayers.com).

About the Atlanta Chamber Players:

*The Atlanta Chamber Players (ACP), founded in 1976, is a mixed ensemble of strings, winds and piano that presents engaging chamber music programs of diverse musical periods and instrumentation in innovative settings, while featuring the highest quality musicians. ACP has earned a national reputation as a pioneer among chamber music groups. Acclaimed by the Atlanta Journal-Constitution as "Atlanta's All-Stars," ACP has premiered 150+ works in Atlanta and reaches thousands through concerts, soirées, educational performances and radio broadcasts each year. Further information can be found at their website: [atlantachamberplayers.com](http://atlantachamberplayers.com)*

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