

DUBROVAČKE LJETNE IGRE DUBROVNIK SUMMER FESTIVAL

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FESTIVAL MUSIC PROGRAM IN CAVTAT

Orlando Award winner Henshel Quartett at 67th Festival

Dubrovnik, 22 kolovoza 2016. – Last year's winner of the Orlando prize for best musical achievement at the 66thDubrovnik Summer Festival, world-wide renowned Henschel Quartet, will perform at this year's festival as well, on Wednesday, 24 August at 9:00 PM at Pinachoteca of the St. Nicholas Church in Cavtat. Repertoire consists of Wofgang Amadeus Mozart's *String Quartet No. 22 in B-flat*, Alberto Ginastera's *Quartet No.1* and Beethoven's *String Quartet No.7 in F major* also known as *Razumovsky*.

The year 1994 marked the foundation of the **Henschel Quartett's** international career, when cellist Mathias Beyer-Karlshøj joined the founding members Christoph, Markus, and Monika Henschel, and the quartet devoted itself exclusively to chamber music. In 1995 the quartet won multiple prizes at the international competitions of Evian, Banff, and Salzburg, and the following year won 1st prize and the gold medal at the Osaka International Chamber Music Competition. Successful debuts in the world's musical capitals, including an acclaimed BBC live broadcast standing in for the Juilliard Quartet, led their way to the forefront of international chamber music. "This is, without doubt, one of the best ensembles in the world, a great string quartet" wrote Los Angeles Times. The Quartet has been regularly invited to the Royal Palace of Madrid to perform on the four Stradivari of the royal collection. In June 2012 the Henschel Quartett was invited, as the first European quartet in twenty years, to perform Beethoven's complete string quartets in the prestigious Suntory Hall in Tokyo.

Highlights of their last season and the current one include appearances in London, Amsterdam, New York (Carnegie Hall), Washington, DC (National Gallery), Yokohama and Tokyo (Geidai University). Henschel Quartett will also perform at the closing ceremony of 67th Festival in front of St. Blaise's church as a last year's laureate of the Orlando Award.

Bus transfer to Cavtat is included in the ticket price. Festival audience is directed to use regular public bus transport line no. 10. Concert tickets guarantees free entrance to the bus. Tickets are available at the box office in the ground floor of the Festival Palace (Od Sigurate 1), and in Cavtat next to the performance venue today (August 23) from 9 to 12 AM and from 7 to 10 PM and tomorrow (August 24) from 9 to 12 AM. It will be possible to buy tickets at the venue one hour prior the performance, too.