

## QuiRING in the New Year! A magnificent evening of Chamber Music December 31, 8pm

COQUITLAM- December 14, 2011. Evergreen Cultural Centre, in collaboration with local chamber ensemble, **Quiring Chamber Players**, presents this annual concert and special event that has become a tradition for many in the community.

**QuiRING in the New Year!** features the celebrated Johannes Brahms' *Viola Quintet in F Major, Opus 88*, a superb chamber work composed in 1882 in the spa town of Bad Ischl, Austria—Brahms favourite summer retreat. According to one biographer, the normally self-critical Brahms was so pleased with the quintet that he wrote to his publisher, "You have never had such a beautiful work from me"; in a letter to Clara Schumann he called it "one of my finest works."

Performing it for our Coquitlam audience is Quiring Chamber Players founder **Reg Quiring** on Viola and guest musicians **Catherine French**, Violin; **Maya De Forest**, Violin; **Isabelle Roland**, Viola and **Joel Moerschel**, Cello. Catherine French is a member of the Boston Symphony Orchestra since 1994. Moerschel is recently retired after a distinguished 33 year career with the Boston Symphony Orchestra. Maya de Forest is a seasoned performer with over 20 years of experience, most recently with the Vancouver Symphony Orchestra, while Isabelle Roland is currently a principal viola with Lions Gate Sinfonia and member of the Vancouver Opera Orchestra.

The evening's program also includes *Three Madrigals for Violin and Viola* by Bohuslav Martinů and Beethoven's *Piano Trio Opus 1 No. 1* performed by acclaimed pianist and Quiring Chamber Players member **Rosemary O'Connor** with Catherine French, Violin and Joel Moerschel, Cello.

The Quiring Chamber Players (Reg Quiring, Angela Goddard and Rosemary O'Connor) have been bringing world class chamber music performances and education to the Tri-Cities since their formation in 2002. They have established a reputation for presenting inspired and creative concerts which include well-known guests from around North America.

QuiRING in the New Year! will be the perfect event to end the year and ring in 2012. And, in keeping with tradition, a post-concert sparkling reception takes place in the lobby. Tickets are \$38, \$34, \$15 and \$10 for upper balcony seats. Call the Box Office 604.927.6555 or buy online [www.evergreenculturalcentre.ca](http://www.evergreenculturalcentre.ca).