



FROM THE TOP

Show 301 | San Francisco, California

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The world-renowned cellist Matt Haimovitz returns to From the Top as the special guest artist of this week's program from the San Francisco Conservatory. With the young performers on the program, Maestro Haimovitz performs a very unusual piece—a children's musical storybook called "Angel Heart"—featuring the internationally best-selling children's author Cornelia Funke as its narrator. And there's still the regular lineup of outstanding young musicians, including a 14-year-old violinist performing one of Sarasate's most spirited show pieces.

Performers and repertoire:

The Cambiata Quartet performs the first movement, *Allegro con brio*, from String Quartet No. 6 in B-flat major, Op. 18, by Ludwig van Beethoven (1770–1827).

16-year-old violinist **William Copeland** from Palo Alto, California
16-year-old violinist **Raymond So** from Saratoga, California
17-year-old violist **Patricia Tang** from Palo Alto, California
16-year-old cellist **Elena Ariza** from Cupertino, California

16-year-old cellist **Elena Ariza** from Cupertino, California, performs the third movement, *Finale (Animé)*, from Sonata for Cello and Piano in D minor, L. 135, by Claude Debussy (1862–1918), with pianist Christopher O'Riley.

15-year-old pianist **Elliot Wu** from Fremont, California, performs the fourth movement, *Vivace*, from Piano Sonata No. 2 in D minor, Op. 14, by Sergei Prokofiev (1891–1953) and *Prelude in D major*, Op. 23, No. 4, by Sergei Rachmaninoff (1873–1943).

The 24 Strings Guitar Quartet, coached by Scott Cmiel, performs "Von der Jugend" from *Das Lied von der Erde* ("The Song of the Earth") by Gustav Mahler (1860–1911), arranged by Stephen Goss.

17-year-old guitarist **Ashwin Krishna** from Los Altos, California
14-year-old guitarist **Nicholas Padmanabhan** from Palo Alto, California
13-year-old guitarist **Chase Onodera** from Sacramento, California
18-year-old guitarist **Alexander Stroud** from Mountain View, California

Angel Heart, a music storybook, with story by Cornelia Funke, music by Luna Pearl Woolf, with *Unter Beymer*, a lullaby by Alexander Olshanetsky, arranged by Lewis Spratlan.

- I. There, do you hear it?
- II. *Unter Beymer*
- III. The East is dress in leaves...
- IV. Oh the North.
- V. The West is even bigger than the raven man

Cornelia Funke, narrator

Lisa Delan, soprano

Matt Haimowitz, cello

Konpeito Cello Quartet

17-year-old cellist **Irene Jeong** from Palo Alto, California

17-year-old cellist **Catherine Kim** from Palo Alto, California

18-year-old cellist **Minku Lee** from Palo Alto, California

16-year-old cellist **Jeremy Tai** from Cupertino, California

Christopher O'Riley, conductor

14-year-old violinist **Kevin Zhu** from Cupertino, California, performs "Zapateado" by Pablo de Sarasate (1844–1908), with pianist Christopher O'Riley.

Pianist and host **Christopher O'Riley** and cellist **Matt Haimowitz** perform the complete break piece: "The Wolf That Lives in Lindsey" by Joni Mitchell, arranged by Christopher O'Riley.