

# Dalí Quartet with Clarinetist Ricardo Morales

Jaime Amador, viola\*  
Ari Isaacman-Beck, violin  
Jesús Morales, cello  
Carlos Rubio, violin

\*For this performance, Jaime Amador appears as guest violist in place of  
Adriana Linares.

MONDAY, MARCH 2, 2026 | 7:30 P.M.  
CASPARY AUDITORIUM

## Program

Ludwig van Beethoven (1770-1827)

String Quartet in B-flat Major, Op. 18, No. 6

*I. Allegro con brio*

*II. Adagio ma non troppo*

*III. Scherzo: Allegro*

*IV. La Malinconia: Adagio - Allegretto quasi Allegro*

Sonia Morales (Puerto Rico, b. 1961)

Divertimento Caribeño No. 3 (2018)

*I. Merengue apambichao*

*II. Bolero son*

*III. Merengue apambichao*

INTERMISSION

(15 minutes)

Silvestre Revueltas (México, 1898-1940)

String Quartet No. 2 - Magueyes (1931)

*I. Allegro giocoso*

*II. Molto vivace*

*III. Allegro molto sostenuto*

Carl Maria von Weber (1786-1826)

Clarinet Quintet in B-flat Major, Op. 34 (1811-1815)

*I. Allegro*

*II. Fantasia: Adagio ma non troppo*

*III. Menuetto: Capriccio presto*

*IV. Rondo: Allegro giocoso*

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As a courtesy to the artists, please remain seated until they have left the hall.

Dalí Quartet and Ricardo Morales appear by arrangement with Jonathan Wentworth Associates, Ltd.

## Featuring

### Dalí Quartet

Jaime Amador, viola (guest artist)\*  
Ari Isaacman-Beck, violin

Jesús Morales, cello  
Carlos Rubio, violin

The **Dalí Quartet** is acclaimed for bringing Latin American quartet repertoire to an equal standing alongside the Classical and Romantic canon. Tours of its Classical Roots, Latin Soul programming have reached enthusiastic audiences across the U.S., Canada, and South America. Its fresh approach has been sought out by distinguished series and the Quartet has been called upon for return engagements at Bravo! Vail Music Festival, National Gallery of Art, the Slee Beethoven Cycle Series, and the SA'OAXACA International Music Festival in México, among others.

The Quartet is Chamber Music America's 2024 Ensemble of the Year and recipient of the 2023 ACMP Foundation's Susan McIntosh Lloyd Award for Excellence and Diversity in Chamber Music. Inspired by its namesake, the great Spanish artist Salvador Dalí, the quartet holds imagination and excellence at the heart of its music-making.

Trained by world-renowned artists, members of the Dalí Quartet are from Venezuela, Puerto Rico, and the U.S., and have degrees from esteemed institutions including Juilliard, the New England Conservatory, Cleveland Institute of Music, Indiana University Bloomington, and the Simón Bolívar Conservatory in Caracas, Venezuela. The quartet is based in Philadelphia, PA, and currently serves as faculty at West Chester University Wells School of Music.

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### Ricardo Morales

Clarinet

**Ricardo Morales** is one of the most sought-after clarinetists of today. Before joining the Philadelphia Orchestra as principal clarinet in 2003, he was principal clarinet of the Metropolitan Opera Orchestra, a position he assumed at the age of 21. His virtuosity and artistry as a soloist, chamber, and orchestral musician have been hailed and recognized in concert halls around the world.

He has been asked to perform as principal clarinet with the New York Philharmonic, the Chicago Symphony, and, at the invitation of Sir Simon Rattle, performed as guest principal clarinet with the Berlin Philharmonic. He has performed at Carnegie Hall's Weill Recital Hall and the Santa Fe Chamber Music Festival, and has collaborated with a variety of leading ensembles, including the Juilliard Quartet.

A native of San Juan, Puerto Rico, Mr. Morales began his studies at the Escuela Libre de Musica along with his five siblings, who are all distinguished musicians. He continued his studies at the Cincinnati Conservatory of Music and Indiana University, where he received his Artist Diploma.

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In 2026, Rockefeller University is commemorating 125 years of advancing science for the benefit of humanity. This is a milestone for the university community, as well as a landmark occasion for the global scientific enterprise. In conjunction with the 125th anniversary, Rockefeller is also marking 70 years of the David Rockefeller Graduate Program. Discover 125 is a celebration of these two notable anniversaries.

### The Rockefeller University Community

- 72 heads of laboratory
- 200 research scientists
- 210 postdoctoral investigators
- 270 Ph.D. and M.D.-Ph.D. students
- 1,512 alumni
- 1,325 support staff

### Acclaimed Scientists

In the course of Rockefeller's history, 26 of its scientists have been awarded the Nobel Prize; 26 have received a Lasker Award; and 20 have garnered the National Medal of Science, the nation's highest scientific honor.

### At Present, the Faculty at Rockefeller Includes

- 5 Nobel laureates
- 7 recipients of Lasker Awards
- 34 members of the National Academy of Sciences
- 4 recipients of MacArthur Fellowships
- 3 recipients of the National Medal of Science

### Some Clinical Concerns under Study

- Aging
- Alzheimer's disease
- Antibiotic resistance
- Arthritis
- Autoimmune disorders
- Autism
- Cancer
- Covid-19
- Diabetes
- Heart disease and stroke
- Hepatitis
- HIV/AIDS
- Obesity, nutrition, and weight loss
- Parkinson's disease
- Skin diseases
- Tuberculosis
- Vaccine development
- Vision and hearing disorders

### The Rockefeller University Hospital

Established in 1910, The Rockefeller University Hospital was the first hospital in the nation dedicated exclusively to patient-oriented investigations. Patients at the hospital are participants in clinical studies that build on basic research findings from Rockefeller laboratories. This allows the university to maintain an unbroken spectrum of research, from basic to clinical.

### Groundbreaking Accomplishments

Among the pioneering discoveries at Rockefeller are many seminal advances that have transformed science and reduced human suffering. Scientists at Rockefeller:

- Discovered that DNA is the chemical of heredity
- Developed vaccines against meningitis and pneumococcal pneumonia
- Determined that cancer can be caused by a virus
- Discovered blood groups, improving the safety of blood transfusions
- Isolated and first successfully tested natural antibiotics
- Developed methadone maintenance to treat opioid addiction
- Developed the combination drug therapy for treatment of AIDS
- Showed that an adult brain of a higher species can form new nerve cells
- Discovered an obesity gene and the weight-regulating hormone leptin
- Discovered the dendritic cell, a key regulator of the immune system
- Identified the molecular mechanisms controlling circadian rhythm
- Developed assays that paved the way for drugs that cure hepatitis C
- Discovered GLP-1, the basis of revolutionary weight-loss drugs

### An Exceptional Place to Learn

Rockefeller's Ph.D. program offers training in the biomedical and physical sciences. With neighboring Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center and Weill Cornell Medicine, the university also offers one of the nation's top M.D.-Ph.D. programs. In addition, Rockefeller provides intensive postgraduate training. At any one time, more than 200 postdoctoral investigators conduct research in university laboratories. Rockefeller's acclaimed Clinical Scholars Program, a three-year master's degree program, provides a unique opportunity for recent M.D. or M.D.-Ph.D. recipients to begin careers in patient-oriented research. Working with senior faculty members, clinical scholars develop and implement translational research studies at The Rockefeller University Hospital.

### Infrastructure that Fosters Collaboration and Interaction

Rockefeller invented the modern bioscience institute, and has spent the past 124 years perfecting it. The university's beautifully landscaped 16-acre campus includes nine research buildings containing roughly 500,000 square feet of laboratory space, where investigators employ the latest technology to answer the most challenging questions in their fields. The Stavros Niarchos Foundation-David Rockefeller River Campus, which opened in 2019 and features the Marie-Josée and Henry R. Kravis Research Building, provides a state-of-the-art laboratory space, a river view dining commons, academic and conference centers, and magnificent rooftop gardens.

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