



The School of the Arts at the University of New Orleans Musical Excursions International Chamber Music Series is pleased to announce that 桜 SAKURA, Cello Quintet, will be performing at the University of New Orleans, Performing Arts Center, Recital Hall on Saturday, March 3, 2018 at 8:00 p.m. through a partnership with the Birdfoot Festival.

SAKURA is a unique and versatile, southern California based, cello quintet made up of Michael Kaufman, Benjamin Lash, Gabriel Martins, Yoshika Masuda, and Peter Myers. SAKURA is named for the Japanese cherry tree whose flowers have five petals as well as cellist Ralph Kirshbaum whose name in German translates to cherry blossom, whom all five cellists have studied with.

In this performance, SAKURA will be playing a mix of traditional and new music, including Renaissance Madrigals, music by Beethoven and Bernstein, and Anne Wilson's "Lament in Memory of Matthew Shepard."

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Ticket sales will benefit the programming at the Birdfoot Festival. Tickets available through Birdfoot Festival <https://birdfootfestival.org/concerts-events/tickets/> or at the door: \$10.00 Students; \$25.00 General Admission; Free for UNO Students, Faculty, & Staff.