

SIROTIN-CHANG DUO



Former member of the Grammy award-winning "Moscow Soloists," Concertmaster of the Harrisburg Symphony Orchestra, [Peter Sirotin](#), and pianist, Ya-Ting Chang, began their artistic collaboration at Peabody Conservatory in 1997, where they co-founded the Mendelssohn Piano Trio. With this group they performed over 500 concerts and recorded 15 CDs including most recently the complete Haydn piano trios for Centaur Records. The highlights of the Mendelssohn Piano Trio 20th Anniversary Season include performances of the Beethoven Triple Concerto with the Harrisburg Symphony, and all-Mendelssohn Anniversary concert at the Smithsonian American Arts Museum, as well as collaboration with Central Pennsylvania Youth Ballet on a creation of new ballet "Quindectet" choreographed by Alan Hineline to the dramatic score of the Piano Trio No. 2 by Dmitri Shostakovich. Sirotin and Chang gave a world premiere of Ching-Ju Shih's *Double Concerto for Violin and Piano* at the National Concert Hall in Taipei, Taiwan, as well as a world premiere of Jeremy Gill's *Duo for Violin and Piano* at Whitaker Center in Harrisburg, PA.

The couple has toured North America, Europe and Asia both as soloists and chamber musicians. Critics have described their performances as "impressive", "stylistically refined" and "electrifying." Their multiple recordings have received critical acclaim and can be heard on many major classical radio stations in the U.S. including NPR's *Performance Today*, as well as WETA's *Front Row Washington*. Sirotin and Chang have collaborated in performance with world-renowned performers such as violinist Earl Carlyss, former member of the Juilliard Quartet, pianist Ann Schein and cellist Ronald Leonard. The couple has given masterclasses in the U.S. and abroad and served as adjudicators in competitions. In 2006 they co-founded Chamber Music in Grantham, a summer program for young performers and composers, held annually at Messiah College, where the couple has been artists-in-residence since 2002. Sirotin and Chang serve as Co-Directors of Market Square Concerts in Harrisburg, PA since July 2011.