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**THE MAXWELL QUARTET FROM SCOTLAND
TO GIVE TWO VIRTUAL PERFORMANCES JUNE 6 & 10
PERFORMING MUSIC BY DVOŘÁK AND POPULAR SCOTTISH FOLK SONGS**

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BURLINGAME, CA (May 13, 2021) — **Music at Kohl Mansion** presents the world acclaimed **Maxwell Quartet** of Scotland in their Bay Area debut with two virtual concerts on Sunday, June 6 at 7 p.m. and repeated Thursday, June 10 at 6 p.m. As previously announced, the repertoire will include Antonin Dvořák's String Quartet No. 13 in G Major, Opus 106, and transcriptions of popular Scottish folk songs.

The Maxwell Quartet, formed in 2010 in Glasgow, Scotland, is now an internationally prizewinning string quartet (2017 Trondheim International Chamber Music Competition) with performances hailed by the *New York Times* as “eloquent performers ... they bring the same sense of charisma and adventure to their performing ... the sound of traditional fiddle carried over beautifully into fresh readings of Haydn and Beethoven.” The ensemble is firmly regarded as one of Britain's finest young string quartets, with a strong connection to their folk music

heritage and a commitment to bringing together wide-ranging projects and programs to expand the string quartet repertoire. The Maxwell Quartet has worked with many contemporary composers including Gareth Williams, Anna Meredith and Nico Muhly. The quartet's highly praised new album, released in January, features music of Josef Haydn and traditional Scottish folk music.

The ensemble holds the distinguished position of Associate Artist at the Royal Conservatoire of Scotland in Glasgow and the Music at Paxton Festival in the Scottish Borders.

The Maxwell Quartet members, **Colin Scobie** and **George Smith**, violin; **Elliott Perks**, viola; and **Duncan Strachan**, cello, are known not only for their "... stylishly engaged" performances, but also for their dashing and colorful concert attire of tartan and kilts.

Tickets are \$20 per household and are now on sale by visiting www.musicatkohl.org or calling the Music at Kohl Mansion Box Office (650) 762-1130. An insightful commentary on the evening's program will be given by musicologist **Kai Christansen** (www.earsense.org), thirty minutes prior to the virtual concert, including an interview with the quartet hosted by MAKM Executive Director **Patricia Kristof Moy**. The Maxwell Quartet performances will conclude Music at Kohl Mansion's 38th season.

MUSIC AT KOHL MANSION: Inspired by the belief that the arts strengthen communities, Music at Kohl Mansion presents world-class chamber concerts in the historic Kohl Mansion and music education in public schools on the San Francisco Peninsula. Outreach programs provide access to interactive musical experiences for diverse populations of all ages. Located on the Mercy High School campus in Burlingame, California, the Kohl Mansion is a jewel-like setting for fine music. Listed in the National Register of Historic Places, this 1914 landmark features a gracious setting in the Elizabethan style Great Hall for intimate music on a grand scale.

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