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## **CELLIOLA – VIOLA/CELLO DUO – AND FRIENDS TO PERFORM AT POMONA COLLEGE**

**Celliola** members, Cynthia Fogg (viola) and Tom Flaherty (cello) will present their annual fall concert on **Sunday, September 20 at 3 p.m.**, in Pomona College's Bridges Hall of Music. The concert is free and open to the public.

This married couple (both Pomona College music faculty members) has performed together since the 1980s, and as Celliola since 2003. Flaherty comments, "Throughout history there has not been a lot of music written for viola and cello together, but it is a great combo and we love the sound of the two instruments together. So we've taken the initiative over the years, and have commissioned over 30 pieces by a wide variety of composers, performing them in a wide variety of venues, including Kennedy Center."

The ensemble will also be heard on a Naxos Records CD to be released later this year, performing Lentini's "Scenes from Sedona." Recorded in Detroit's Orchestra Hall, this is just one of the many works written for or commissioned by the duo.

In this recital they'll perform Bialosky's "Suite on Jewish Folk Songs," also composed for them. Additionally, for this program violinist Rachel V. Huang will join Flaherty in Kodaly's *Duo, Op. 7*. Other works include "Artifacts" by Pierce, which Flaherty describes as, "an audibly funny piece, as brief spoken preludes, followed by its musical counterpoint describe treasures found on a make-believe archeological dig. It is full of special effects that really work."

The program also premieres two new works by Flaherty. The first, "Triphoria" unites violin, viola and cello; and the second "Peace of the River," is based on the folk song of the same name, and will unite additional friends, Pomona College faculty members and audience members through participation in this piece that Flaherty calls "compassionate and touching."

This recital will be held in Bridges Hall of Music (150 E. Fourth St., Claremont). For more information, call: (909)-607-2671, e-mail: [concerts@pomona.edu](mailto:concerts@pomona.edu), or visit: [www.music.pomona.edu](http://www.music.pomona.edu).

This performance is sponsored by the Pomona College Department of Music, Elizabeth McLeod Geiger Memorial Fund.

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**Tom Flaherty is available for interviews.**

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**Program:** *(subject to change)*

Triphoria .....	Tom Flaherty
Suite on Jewish Folk Songs .....	Marshall Bialoksy
Artifacts.....	Forrest Pierce
Duo, Op. 7 .....	Zoltan Kodály
Peace of the River.....	Tom Flaherty