

JEFFREY IRVINE, *VIOLA*

CLARKE
(1886 - 1979)

Viola Sonata
I. Impetuoso - ma non troppo - Allegro

Poppy Yu, *viola*
Tae Kim, *piano*

BRAHMS
(1833 - 1897)

Viola Sonata in F Minor, op. 120
I. Allegro appassionato

Jacqueline Armbruster, *viola*
Tae Kim, *piano*

BOWEN
(1884 - 1961)

Viola Sonata in C Minor, No. 1, op. 18
I. Allegro moderato

Yeh-Chun Lin, *viola*
Tae Kim, *piano*



JEFFREY IRVINE

Named Artist Teacher of the Year (2020) by the American String Teachers Association, Jeffrey Irvine joined the CIM faculty as the Fynette H. Kulas Professor of Viola in September 1999. He is currently co-head of the viola department. He was professor of viola at the Oberlin Conservatory of Music from 1983 to 1999 and was chair of Oberlin's string division for seven years. His students have gone on to major orchestral, teaching and chamber music posts across the country and around the world. His students have often been first prize winners in major viola competitions, including the Primrose Competition, ASTA National Solo Competition and Washington International Competition. Irvine previously taught at the Eastman School of Music and Wichita State University.

During the summer, Irvine is on the artist faculty of the Aspen Music Festival and Interlochen Viola Workshop. He previously taught at the Bowdoin International Music Festival, Heifetz International Music Institute, ENCORE School for Strings, Meadowmount School of Music, Killington Music Festival, Park City Chamber Music Festival, Idyllwild School of Music and the Arts, Castleman Quartet Program and Perlman Music Program.

Irvine is well known as a violist and chamber musician. As a member of the New World String Quartet, Irvine performed throughout the US and Europe, including concerts at Weill Recital Hall at Carnegie Hall and at the Kennedy Center. Irvine was the principal violist of the Wichita Symphony from 1977 to 1981 and has also been a member of the Aspen Festival Orchestra and Aspen Chamber Symphony. He has published numerous articles on viola pedagogy in *American String Teacher* and *Journal of the American Viola Society*.

The first prize winner in both the 1979 Aspen Music Festival Viola Competition and 1976 Cleveland Quartet Competition (as a member of the Carmel Quartet), Irvine received his Bachelor of Music degree from the Philadelphia Musical Academy and his Master of Music degree from the Eastman School of Music. His teachers have included Heidi Castleman, Charles Castleman, David Cerone, Dorothy DeLay, Martha Katz, William Primrose, Margaret Randall, Karen Tuttle and Donald Weilerstein.

He is married to Cleveland Orchestra First Assistant Violist Lynne Ramsey with whom he has two grown children, Hannah and Christopher. He plays a viola by Hiroshi Iizuka, made in 1993. He is also an avid runner.