

Cypress String Quartet Returns to Gualala Arts Sunday, April 15 at 4 p.m.

Cecily Ward and Tom Stone, violins, Ethan Filner, viola, and Jennifer Kloetzel, cello, are artists in residence at San Jose State University and have been widely praised for virtuoso performance, innovative programming, and dedication to musical education.

Founded in 1996, the Quartet has appeared frequently on the National Public Radio show, *Performance Today*, and has performed in prominent venues around the world. The Chamber Music Series proudly presents the Cypress Quartet for a third engagement at Gualala Arts.

Tickets are \$20 for advance purchases, or \$25 on the day of the concert. Children and young people ages 7 through 17 are admitted free. Advance tickets are available at the Gualala Arts Center or at the Dolphin Gallery in Gualala. For advance credit card purchases by telephone, call the Arts Center at 707-884-1138. For further information visit our website, GualalaArts.org. Those unable to furnish their own transportation may call the Arts Center to request rides to the concert.



Lecture Series: Parasitic Diseases of Stranded Marine Mammals with Murray Dailey Monday, April 16, at 7 p.m.



Parasitic diseases are one of the most prevalent causes for the stranding of marine mammals throughout the world. In California, sea lions, seals, dolphins, whales and otters are afflicted by these organisms through a variety of means. This presentation will look at the biology of the parasites, the diseases they cause in marine mammals, man's role in their transmission, and how they contribute to strandings along our coast.

Murray Dailey was born in Breckenridge, Minnesota and grew up in Storm Lake, Iowa. He served four years in the U.S. Air Force, then attended the University of Nevada where he earned a B.S. degree in Zoology. He then attended graduate school at the American University of Beirut in Lebanon, receiving an M.S. in Parasitology and Epidemiology. He then continued his education with a Ph.D. degree in Parasitology from

Colorado State University, with a dissertation on hookworm disease in northern fur seals on the Pribiloff Islands off the coast of Alaska. After completing his Ph.D. he accepted an academic position with the California State University at Long Beach where he specialized in teaching and research on parasitic diseases of marine mammals.

During his tenure at Long Beach he also served as Director of the Ocean Studies Institute, a consortium of six state universities in southern California. Upon retirement he spent time as director of The School for Field Studies in the Caribbean, as well as 8 years as research parasitologist for The Marine Mammal Center in Sausalito, before moving to The Sea Ranch in 2006. A \$5 donation is requested.

"Wild Moments, Wild Places" Lecture by Ralph Lee Hopkins Monday, April 23 at 7 p.m.

Ralph Lee Hopkins will present this lecture in conjunction with an exhibit of his photographs in the Jacob Foyer from April 14 through May 6. These are teamed up with his workshop, Creative Digital Photograph – the Next Step, a class with daily field trips from Tuesday, April 24th through Saturday, April 28th.

Santa Fe-based photographer, Ralph Lee Hopkins, is Director of Photography Expeditions for Lindblad Expeditions, an adventure travel company that operates 6 ships worldwide, including the National Geographic Endeavour. His travels with Lindblad span the last 18 years leading nature and photographic expeditions to the world's wild places. He also teaches photography workshops with *Arizona Highways*, National Geographic Expeditions, and the Santa Fe Workshops, and is co-lecturer on tour with the National Geographic Traveler magazine series, "Travel Photography in the Digital World." The National Geographic Image Collection and Lonely Planet Images represent his work worldwide. His fine art prints are represented by Verve Fine Arts in Santa Fe, New Mexico. For more information please go to Ralph's website at wilderlandimages.com. A \$5 donation is requested.

