



Saturday | December 10 | 3pm Salvation Army Kroc Center

Celebrity Series of Boston presents a Neighborhood Arts performance

Stringfest with Fabiola Méndez Trio

Students from Project STEP and Conservatory Lab Charter School Javier Caballero conducting

AntonÍn Dvořák

From Terzetto, Op. 74
I.Allegro ma non troppo
II.Larghetto

Project STEP:

Aaron duFrend violin I; Nathan Chun violin II; Jason Amos viola

The Fabiola Méndez Trio will perform selections to be announced from the stage. Fabiola Méndez cuatro, vocals Juan Maldonado electric bass Miguel Martínez drums

Trad. Puerto Rican folksong

Verde Luz

(arr. Javier Caballero)

Fabiola Méndez Trio, Project STEP septet Javier Caballero conducting

Trad. Puerto Rican folksong

En Mi Viejo San Juan

(arr. Javier Caballero)

Fabiola Méndez Trio, Project STEP septet, and students from Conservatory Lab Charter School Javier Caballero conducting

Today's program will run approximately 60 minutes with no intermission.

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Students from **Project STEP lan Saunders** artistic director **Josué González** executive director

Violin I

Aaron duFrend Miguel Ángel Cano

Violin II

Nathan Chun Aaliyah duFrend Viola

Chimdiebube Anyanwu Jason Amos (faculty)

Cello

Caleb Graupera Ameerah Manigat

Students from **Conservatory Lab Charter School**, Dorchester **Brad Barrett** music faculty

Fabiola Méndez is a Puerto Rican cuatro player, educator, and composer who has taken part in a musical movement, crossing over the lines of genres such as folkloric, jazz & Latin, and taking the listener on a journey through identities, cultures, and roots. Recognized for being the first student to graduate from Berklee College of Music with the cuatro as principal instrument (2018), Fabiola has performed nationally and internationally, and works as a composer for children's shows Alma's Way (PBS Kids) and Sesame Street's Mecha Builders (HBO Max). She has received numerous awards, including the Quincy Jones Award for outstanding composition, WBUR's ARTery 25, the Brother Thomas Fellowship, Whippoorwill Arts Fellowship, and a motion from the Puerto Rican House of Representatives for her work around social justice through the arts. Her regular trio includes bassist Juan Maldonado and drummer Miguel Martínez, performing today, and she has also appeared on the Celebrity Series as a sextet, most recently in September of this year.



