

# STRING ORCHESTRA OF NEW YORK CITY (SONYC)

*No conductor, no bow ties, just strings.*

## Press Quotes

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"A Feisty String Orchestra... played with an appealing deftness."

-Allan Kozinn, *New York Times*

"two short, deliciously moody pieces by Sibelius received warm and absorbing performances, and Elgar's soaring Introduction and Allegro found the players,... soaring"

-Tim Smith, *The Baltimore Sun*

"SONYC is a composer's dream come true. Their amazing virtuosity, comprehensive artistic intelligence and passionate spirit combine to make brilliant music on every level. SONYC is an avatar of all that is right and true in our musical universe."

-Paul Moravec, 2004 **Winner of Pulitzer Prize for Music**

"SONYC is a rarity among instrumental ensembles of its size, its members possess the vision and talent to communicate with great authority the full breadth and emotional power of the string repertoire."

-Robert Spano, **Music Director**, *Atlanta Symphony*

"Groups like this are opening up the world again for the audience to become more emotionally and experientially involved"

-Aaron Jay Kernis, 1998 **Winner of Pulitzer Prize for Music**

"The ripe lushness inherent in ...Elgar's Introduction and Allegro, was more than merely approximated by SONYC's generous vitality. The technically adroit instrumentalists clarified the Allegro's tricky cross rhythms and their vigorously expansive reading evoked fond memories of Barbirolli, Toscanini and other large-orchestra readings. I trust that SONYC will be making a substantial contribution to the city's musical health; an auspicious concert."

-Harris Goldsmith, *New York Concert Review*

"The group's efforts are paying off...they are the subject of a recently released documentary by William McKenna, *Breathing Together*."

-*Strings Magazine*

"...no-frills, unpretentious approach to classical music."

-*The Park Record*

"They are so into it, so good. The cleanness of the sound, so sweetly, one-on-one, alive right here..."

-*The Daily Herald*

"SONYC are possessed of a full, radiant sound ... expressive and smart"

-Adam Baer, *New York Sun*



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