



## **Shanghai Quartet Two-Week Ensemble Residency Program Links to Chamber Music Web Resources**

### **Classical Music/General Interest**

*Arts Alive:* [www.ArtsAlive.ca](http://www.ArtsAlive.ca)

Developed by the National Arts Centre in Canada, this web site features extensive teacher and student resource kits for a number of major classical composers. There are also games and activities for children and practical advice for parents whose children are studying or considering studying a musical instrument.

*Sony Music and W. W. Norton & Co.:* [www.essentialsofmusic.com](http://www.essentialsofmusic.com)

This site offers concise information about the six major eras of music history, capsule biographies of 70 classical composers, a glossary of 200 musical terms and links to audio excerpts.

*Classical Net:* [www.classical.net](http://www.classical.net)

This comprehensive web site contains information about composers, classical music and music resources, such as scores, CD's, downloadable audio clips and an extensive list of further online resources.

*Children's Music Web:* [www.childrensmusic.org](http://www.childrensmusic.org)

This general music site offers material for children, parents, teachers and performers.



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### For Teachers and Parents

*Arts Education IDEAS:* [www.aeideas.com](http://www.aeideas.com)

Articles about the integration of arts into academic curricula, workshops for teachers and administrators and early childhood home-schooling packages that help parents teach their pre-school age children through the arts.

*National Association for Music Education:* [www.menc.org](http://www.menc.org)

This web site of the professional organization for music educators, provides a collection of resources including publications and an on-line idea center and lesson plan library.

*Kennedy Center for the Arts:* [www.artsedge.kennedy-center.org](http://www.artsedge.kennedy-center.org)

A comprehensive site for arts educators at all grade levels for a variety of arts disciplines, with hundreds of sample lesson plans.

*VH1 Save the Music Foundation:* [www.vh1.com/insidevh1/savethemus/](http://www.vh1.com/insidevh1/savethemus/)

This site helps school districts throughout the U.S. restore music education programs to eligible schools by supplying musical instruments and complete band, string and keyboard programs. The program has helped several Detroit area schools.



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### **For Elementary and Middle School Students**

Several symphony orchestra web sites feature extensive education sections with valuable information for students and teachers which apply directly to the subject of chamber music. Presented in a colorful, child-friendly style, the sites include sections about musical instruments and composers, lesson plans linked to academic curricula and entertaining interactive games that allow children to compose melodies, create their own virtual musical instruments and test their knowledge.

*Dallas Symphony Orchestra:* [www.dsokids.com](http://www.dsokids.com)

This children's website has sections for teachers and children, including games, information about historical musical periods, instruments, composers, musical terms, practicing tips and classroom activities.

*New York Philharmonic:* [www.nyphilkids.org](http://www.nyphilkids.org)

The lively animated "kidzone" site features a backstage tour, instrument gallery, composer information, games, an "instrument lab" and a composition workshop. The New York Philharmonic's general website also includes an education section ([www.nyphil.org](http://www.nyphil.org)) that is devoted to teacher resources, lessons, student activities and a useful list of online resource links.