



THE SHANGHAI QUARTET A 25-YEAR HISTORY

- ❖ **1983**
The Shanghai Quartet is formed at the Shanghai Conservatory.
- ❖ **1985**
 - The Quartet takes second place at the London International Competition.
 - The Quartet makes European debut.
- ❖ **1987**
 - The Quartet wins the prestigious Chicago Discovery Competition.
 - The Quartet performs with Yo-Yo Ma at Avery Fisher Hall, New York.
 - The Quartet makes a New York debut and first European tour.
- ❖ **1993**
 - For the 10th Anniversary, the Quartet premieres a Lowell Lieberman Quartet.
 - The Quartet releases its acclaimed debut disc on the Delos label featuring the Grieg and Mendelssohn Quartets.
- ❖ **1996**
The Quartet is nominated for the Asahi Broadcasting Company's International Music Award after first Far East tour.
- ❖ **1998**
The Quartet performs at Sydney Opera House, Australia.
- ❖ **2002**
A collection of Chinese folk songs, titled ChinaSong, is released, featuring music arranged by the Quartet's own Yi-Wen Jiang reflecting his childhood memories of the Chinese Cultural Revolution.
- ❖ **2003**
The Quartet celebrates its 20th Anniversary with the "Beethoven Project: East Meets West" marking the first time the complete Beethoven quartet cycle is performed in China.
- ❖ **2004**
The Quartet releases their 18th and 19th compact discs: Mendelssohn Octet and Dvorak "American" Quartet (Camerata); and Zhou Long "Poems from Tang" (BIS).
- ❖ **2005**
The Quartet appears on screen for Woody Allen's new film, "Melinda and Melinda" (release date, April 2005).
- ❖ **2008**
The Quartet commissions new works from three continents: Chen Yi, Krzysztof Penderecki, and Dick Hyman.