## Doug

omposer and bassist
Doug Lofstrom has
long dreamed of
presenting the music he
loved - without artificial
boundaries. The
embodiment of that
dream is the New
Output of Presenting the

**Quartet.** Presenting the world's great music in a chamber music setting,

the **New Quartet** features some of the Chicago area's best and most versatile musicians.

Formerly composer-in-residence for the Metropolis Symphony Orchestra and musical director of Chicago's Free Street Theater, **Lofstrom** has composed and arranged a wealth of stunning orchestral and chamber music. His works have been performed by the Atlanta, St. Louis and Milwaukee Symphony Orchestras, and the Present Music, Tales & Scales and Cube chamber ensembles. He is currently on the faculty of Chicago's Columbia College.

Violinist James Sanders is featured with his own Latin-jazz group, Conjunto, and is an active chamber and orchestral musician, regularly performing with the Ravinia Festival Orchestra and the Chicago Sinfonietta. Multi-reedist Michael Levin has performed with artists as diverse as Diane Schuur, Clark Terry, the Temptations and the Revolution Ensemble. Pianist **Leandro** Lopez-Varady, originally from Argentina, has become part of the Chicago jazz scene after touring the Far East with bassist Eldee Young. Rounding out the group is **Sarah Allen**, renowned jazz drummer and timpanist with the Northbrook Symphony.

Deliberately eclectic, the New Quartet's repertoire juxtaposes chamber music of Bartok and Debussy with early classics by Duke Ellington, tangos by Astor Piazzolla and Lofstrom's original cross-genre music. New Quartet concerts always contain a generous sampling of world music, featuring Lofstrom's arrangements of traditional pieces from Africa, Cuba, South America, the Middle East and Ireland.

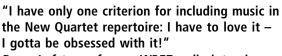
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Doug Lofstrom, from a WBEZ radio interview -



"An aesthetic risk-taker, Lofstrom straddles too many categories to be easily classified." Chicago Reader -

"Simply beautiful!"
The Intermezzo -

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