



Fyrish String Quartet

January 25th 2020

Someone once said it takes a lot of research to write a good review - then no-one reads it. This is just a report, not a review. of a lovely afternoon, spent in a warm comfortable room in Kilmory Castle, listening to wonderful music. The young Fyrish String Quartet musicians played to a packed room and their programme of different composers was beautifully balanced.

Their joyous performance could not help but bubble over and give the audience enormous pleasure. Haydn and Puccini were followed by a Burns tribute, in which the special arrangements of four songs were so skilfully played that one could imagine the instruments actually singing the well-known words.

In the second half, the-Grieg string quartet in G minor was evocative of Norwegian landscapes. This was followed by a clever choice of contrasting folk song inspired music from Denmark. It was interesting to note clear similarities with our Scottish dance music.

The players shared their enthusiasm and love of their instruments with amazing tone control and lifted every-one's spirits and energy levels.

It was well worth the effort getting to the January Mid Argyll Arts Association concert.

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