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THE EDINBURGH QUARTET IS DELIGHTED TO
ANNOUNCE THE INSTATEMENT OF THEIR NEW LEADER
TRISTAN GURNEY

Tristan joins the Edinburgh Quartet after spending some years in the Northern Sinfonia as first violin. He studied the violin at the Royal Northern College of Music, Manchester, with Yossi Zivoni and then at the Royal Conservatory of Music, Toronto, with Lorand Fenyves. He was a leader and soloist with the RNCM orchestras and led the Gurney Quartet, which performed widely across the country, appearing at many prestigious festivals, including the BBC Proms Composer Portraits series where they were broadcast live on BBC Radio 3.

Tristan regularly gives concerto and recital performances around the UK and is the Head of Strings at The University of Newcastle upon Tyne. He plays on a Ferdinand Gagliano violin kindly on loan from Philip Langridge.



“I am honoured to join this established and dynamic ensemble, and eagerly look forward to making music with such inspiring and talented musicians.

When I was first invited to play with the quartet, I was immediately struck by the homogenous quality of sound and unique musical understanding which has been built up over a long and illustrious history together. Most stimulating, however, is the way in which the Quartet is reflective and open to new interpretive ideas for its performances.

I invite you to join us as we begin our musical journey together, creating fresh interpretations of some of the greatest chamber music masterpieces ever written.”

**Tristan’s inaugural concert takes place at
7.30pm on Wednesday 10 October, 2007
at Stockbridge Parish Church, Edinburgh, EH3 5BN
For tickets please contact 0131 668 2019 or for further information
email beth@edinburghquartet.com**