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Time:  
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Morton  
**FELDMAN**  
(1926-1987)

1 String Quartet (1979)

78:35

**The Group for Contemporary Music**

Benjamin Hudson, Violin  
Carol Zeavin, Violin  
Lois Martin, Viola  
Joshua Gordon, Cello

WORLD PREMIERE  
RECORDING

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American flag, folk artist, 1880s.



AMERICAN CLASSICS

Morton Feldman met John Cage at a concert of Webern's music in 1950, and the two became firm friends. Like Cage, Feldman experimented with non-standard notation and elements of chance in his early compositions, but he is best-known for his later "long pieces", of which the 1979 *String Quartet* was his first. The work is typical of Feldman in its use of muted instruments, soft dynamics and slowly unfolding musical structures.

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