

GUITAR NOTES

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News from the SLCGS!

Winter-Spring 2017

Greetings and Happy New Year! We now begin the second half of our Season of International Artists. Read on for lots of exciting news!

Duo Noire

Returning to St. Louis for a fourth time, St. Louis favorites Thomas Flippin and Chris Mallett of Duo Noire continue to impress, having performed across the world in distinguished venues such as the Norfolk Music Festival, the 92nd Street Y, the Times Center, Peking University (Beijing), and the Avaloch Farm Music Institute as Resident Artists. Their groundbreaking and genre-bending programming choices, commissioned premieres, and original arrangements have been featured in articles by *Acoustic Guitar* and *Classical Guitar* Magazines, *Gendai Guitar*, and on the cover of the Guitar Foundation of America's quarterly journal *Soundboard*.

In 2015 the duo began their "Women of Guitar Commissioning Project," to remedy the lack of gender diversity in classical guitar repertoire, having commissioned several of the most talented female composers of their generation to write for two guitars, including Clarice Assad, Courtney Bryan, and Gity Razaz.

The Duo will be visiting nine public schools prior to their performance, with special funding from the Boeing Employees Community Fund and the National Endowment for the Arts.



Duo Noire

At the Ethical Society
January 28, 2017
8:00 pm

Presented in Collaboration with
The Cheshire



The Romeros!

March 4, 2017 8:00 pm

Presented in Co-Sponsorship with the
Department of Music, Washington
University, at the 560 Music Center

The Romeros

Known to millions around the world as "The Royal Family of the Guitar," for over 40 years three generations of Romeros have delighted audiences everywhere. Formed in 1956 by Celedonio Romero with his sons Celin, Angel, and Pepe, the Quartet now consists of Celin Romero; his son Celino (who joined in 1990); Lito Romero, son of Angel Romero (who joined in 1996); and the world renowned Pepe Romero. They have given hundreds of concerts all over the world, dazzling countless audiences and consistently winning the raves of reviewers. This is the ultimate Spanish Guitar Family! Meet them all at the post-concert reception hosted by the Hispanic Arts Council!

Augustine Foundation *To Again Fund Classical Guitar* *in Ferguson Schools!*

The Augustine Foundation of New York City is again partnering with us in support of our *Guitar Horizons* program in Ferguson, Missouri! The Foundation is again providing \$25,000 to fund both high quality classical guitars and an educational specialist we provide to the classrooms. The grant allows for the continuance of the programs at Central, Duchesne, Griffith, Holman, Johnson Wabash and Walnut Grove elementary schools, and provides instruments for new classes at Airport, Parker Road, and Vogt elementary schools. An additional \$20,000 was granted us for other operations. Big thanks to The Augustine Foundation!

The 2017 Visionaries

We give great thanks to two groups of donors. First are the 20 following stakeholders who agreed as a group to match all donations to the SLCGS by December 31, 2016, dollar for dollar up to \$20,000! We thank them for their vision and commitment! We raised \$45,070!



THE 2017 VISIONARIES!

The following people are the VISIONARIES who will collectively match all donations to the SLCGS by Dec 31, 2016, dollar for dollar, up to \$20,000!

\$1,000 CHALLENGE TEAM:

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We will match all individual donations up to \$20,000 that the Society receives by December 31, 2016!

* Indicates Members of the Sustainers' Circle Who Have Given a Three Year Pledge of \$1,000 per year!

A BIG THANK YOU TO ALL WHO DONATED IN RESPONSE TO THE CHALLENGE!

We acknowledge ALL of you at:
www.GuitarStLouis.net

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Our Visionary Donors

We're Growing!

The success of the Visionary Campaign now allows us to add a new Executive Director and continue to effectively support our growing *Guitar Horizons* education program!

We now employ six outstanding guitar teachers who team teach with classroom music teachers in fourteen school programs in underserved areas. Thanks to your support we will be expanding into more each year!

Schools We Support

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Johnson Wabash Elementary School
Walnut Grove Elementary

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Elementary
Jennings Junior High School

NORMANDY SCHOOL COLLABORATIVE

Jefferson Elementary School

CONFLUENCE CHARTER SCHOOLS

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MATHEWS-DICKEY BOYS' AND
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Professional Development for Classroom Music Teachers!

On Saturday mornings 9:30-11:30 am, local classroom music teachers may learn all about the new on-line *GuitarCurriculum.com* that we use so successfully in the classrooms we support. We also share teaching and classroom management tips. Guitars can be provided and there is no charge to participate! Just email williamash@guitarstlouis.net for full information.

Did you know Guitar Society Student Members get free tickets to our guest artists? Just click on Membership Benefits on our website to see more!



David Russell March 25, 2017

At the Ethical Society
9001 Clayton Road 63117

8:00 pm

Presented in Co-Sponsorship with
The D'Addario Foundation

Winner of multiple international competitions, since 1995 David Russell has an exclusive recording contract with Telarc International, with which he has recorded sixteen CDs up to now, among them *Aire Latino*, which received a GRAMMY award in 2005 for his CD *Aire Latino*, in the category of best instrumental soloist in classical music. David is an international superstar in just his third visit to St. Louis!

Attention All Bach Lovers!

Hear some beautiful Bach melodies transcribed for guitar! Featured artists include former St. Louisans, soprano Mary Henderson with guitarist Rod Stucky. Hear local guitar ensembles plus the Society's guitar orchestra!

May 7, 2017 3:00 pm at Salem
United Methodist Church,
1200 S Lindbergh Blvd, 63131.

Patron seating \$50; general admission \$15, \$10 FT students.

Check Us Out on Facebook!

For the latest happenings in classical guitar activities in St. Louis, just visit our website at www.GuitarStLouis.net, and click on our Facebook icon on top. Also check out our YouTube channel where we continue to post performances by our residency artists, and students in the schools we support!

Assistive Listening Devices

Thanks to a matching grant from the Missouri Arts Council, we now have some wonderful assistive listening devices at the Ethical Society. The sound quality is amazing! They may be picked up in the front lobby before any performance. There is no charge for their use.

Ongoing Quartet Performances

Our Official Hotel, The Cheshire, 6300 Clayton Road, St. Louis MO 63117 is presenting four members of our Guitar Orchestra every second Wednesday in the comfort of the downstairs lodge room by the fireplace, with the next appearances Wed, January 11, February 8, March 8, and May 10, 6:30-8:30 pm.

Inside Classical Guitar!

Did you know that we have a weekly radio program on Radio Arts Foundation at 107.3 FM? Tune in Monday at 7 pm, or Thursday at 11 pm to get John Clayton's take on city-wide guitar activities and hear some beautiful guitar selections. Each month we preview our upcoming artists! Also at: <http://rafstl.org/listen/>

All past episodes archived at:
www.GuitarStLouis.net

KJEA Memorial Fund

Have you considered a donation to Kathy's Fund in memory of a loved one of your own? Or as a tribute to a worthy person or significant achievement? Visit <http://www.guitarstlouis.net/donors.jsp> to see some recent examples. Donations may be made directly on our website, or by check to: SLCGS, POB 11425, St. Louis MO 63105.

Master Class Series Continues

We've had great master classes this year conducted by Thibaut Garcia, Pavel Steidl, and Grisha Goryachev. These classes are not just for guitarists; everyone is welcome to join us to listen and learn as outstanding local students play for the masters! **Upcoming:** Duo Noire January 29, The Romeros on March 5, and David Russell on March 26, all 1:00-3:00 pm at Washington U's Music Dept, 560 Trinity Ave. in U-City. Admission \$5, free to Members.

Guitar Raffle

We have a beautiful Alvarez CY117 (1990) classical guitar donated by Francis Baumli on raffle at all our events, with winner to be chosen at the last concert featuring David Russell. Tickets just \$10, or 5 for \$40, available only at our events. All proceeds will support our *Guitar Horizons* education program!

Many Thanks to:

The Arts and Education Council
The Augustine Foundation
Boeing Employees Community Fund
The Regional Arts Commission
The Missouri Arts Council
The Cheshire
The D'Addario Music Foundation
Music Folk, Inc.



Order Form

Concert tickets may be ordered on our website, **GuitarStLouis.net**, by mailing in this form, or charge by phone at (314) **229-8686**. Concerts held at the Ethical Society or at The 560 Music Center, 560 Trinity in University City. All seats reserved.

Membership: \$20 single, \$30 couples, \$35 Families, \$15 FT students: (please give us all names) = \$_____

Duo Noire Jan 28, 8:00 pm at the Ethical Society, 9001 Clayton Rd \$28; \$24 members, students, 62+.
Quantity _____ @ \$_____ = \$_____

The Romeros Mar 4, 8:00 pm \$40; 32; 28; FT students \$15 at 7:00 pm as available.
Quantity: _____ @ \$_____ = \$_____

David Russell Mar 25, 8:00 pm \$28; \$24 mbrs, students, 62+
Quantity _____ @ \$_____ = \$_____

Contribution to Guitar Horizons Education Program = \$_____
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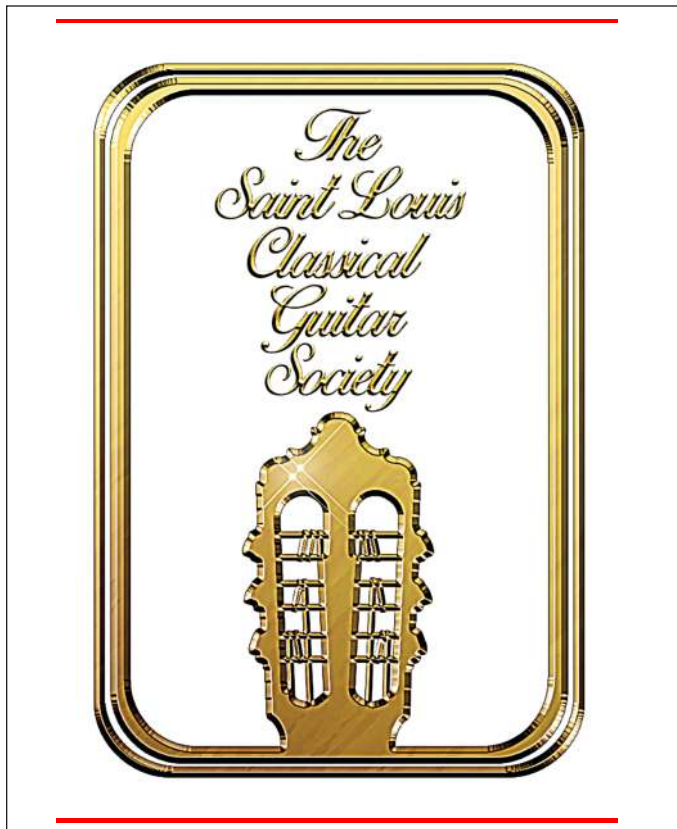
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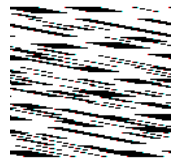


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