

Freedom High School
Performing Arts Department
Presents

Spring Guitar Concert No. 2



Featuring the
Freedom High School Guitar Orchestra
with special guest soloist
Dr. Stephen Robinson, Stetson University

Thursday, May 16, 2013
7:00 p.m.

Freedom High School Performing Arts Center
Dr. Harold Border – Principal
Christopher Perez – Guitar Ensemble Director

Solo & Small Ensemble Program

- Romanza.....Anon. (19th C.)
Ricardo Albornoz – Soloist (9th Grade IGE member)
- Caprice No. 4 “Allegro” (from Six Caprices)...Matteo Carcassi (1792-1853)
Cristian Rivera – Soloist
- Daydream (1989).....Gian Paolo Lopresti (b. 1964)
A guitar trio featuring: Sabrina Giordano, Christian Sousa and Matthew Sturniolo

Dr. Stephen Robinson, Solo Guitar

- AsturiasIsaac Albéniz (1860-1909)
- Koyunbaba, Op. 19Carlo Domeniconi (b. 1947)
- ImagineJohn Lennon (1940-1980)
- Fuoco.....Roland Dyens (b. 1955)



Taking in the nightlife at Times Square, NYC

FHS Guitar Orchestra Program

Flight of the Dragon (2010).....Jeffery Tanner
Middle Fork (2006).....Dr. Leo Welch
Lotus Eaters (1990).....Andrew York
Fresco (for guitar solo and trio) (2009).....Rex Willis
Featuring guest soloist: Dr. Stephen Robinson – Stetson University
All in a Day’s Work (2012).....Rex Willis
 I. Crack of Dawn
 II. Daily Grind
 III. Outta Here
Kalimba (1995/2001).....Jürg Kindle



Guitar Orchestra’s “paparazzi” moment, post FMEA Concert Performance.

Guitar Orchestra Personnel (grade):

Christopher Azuaje - 10	Danny Kalaw – 10
Kenneth Brock - 10	Andy Lau Koo - 11
Steven Castillo - 10	Kindell Medilien - 12
Patricia De Andrade - 10	Ashley Melendez - 12
Valeria Demshin - 9	Elver Ortiz - 11
Donald Dominguez – 12	Shirlee Ortiz - 12
Christopher Dyshek – 11	Sergio Pitta - 10
Daniel Font - 10	Nicholas Rasmussen - 11
Marta Fuentes - 10	Cristian Rivera - 11
Alexander Garcia - 12	Carlos Sanchez - 10
Sabrina Giordano - 10	Luis Sanquirico - 10
David Gomez - 10	Christian Sousa - 12
Yulia Gomez Diaz - 10	Matthew Sturniolo - 12
Diego Gonzalez - 12	Gloria Tewari - 10
James Head - 10	Tiffanie Tran - 9
Afia Joarder - 10	John Varela - 12

Front picture titled “LOS MUSICOS” 1934 by Tamayo Rufino (1899-1991) – from the Cummis Catherwood Collection, Saratoga Springs, N.Y.

Our Guest Artist:



A native of New York, **Dr. Stephen Robinson** began his guitar studies with Bruce Holzman at Florida State University, and worked closely with Andrés Segovia, who called him “a magnificent guitarist, one of the most brilliant guitarists of our times.” After pursuing graduate work at the Yale School of Music, Florida State University awarded Robinson the first Doctor of Music Degree in Guitar Performance.

Dr. Robinson is a Professor of Music at Stetson University in Florida, where he is the founding director of the Guitar Program (since 1983). His graduates have excelled in the finest graduate programs of Yale University, The Eastman School of Music, The Peabody Conservatory, Florida State University, and The University of Southern California, among others, and many now hold prominent positions in the professional music world.

Of his multi-faceted career, *Guitarra Magazine* says “Robinson’s career as a teacher is well known. He founded and runs the guitar program at Stetson University. At the same time, he has won a bunch of competitions, recorded a score of CDs, and continues touring regularly. What you have with Robinson is a player who has married the two opposite ends of the guitar experience (teaching and performing) by finding a way to express the impetus for both simultaneously. It’s a remarkable feat and one to aspire to.” Stephen Robinson resides in DeLand, Florida with his wife, Patrece, and together they have raised four sons.

The FHS Guitar Program - Our Future:

To quote a line from Rush’s recent hit *Caravan*: “I Can’t Stop Thinking Big...” I work and dream about providing music experiences that I never had in school (and I had several incredible teachers). I’m always pushing my limits as a teacher and musician to be better and in that same vein, the musical, technical and artistic limits of my students for them to be greater musicians; better people.

Six years ago our program did not exist and I soon imagined what a top notch guitar program could and should be. With the support of our Administration, fellow guitar teachers, parents and the hard work of our students, it has been a very fast climb; many new skills developed and shared through countless rehearsals, clinics, master classes, workshops, festivals and concerts here at FHS and around Florida.

Through our collective, diligent work, we are now known and recognized as a very high profile guitar program and a member of the international guitar community. Due in part to our many musical performances, we have received numerous invitations to perform in concert at different guitar festivals from across the U.S. and actively plan on traveling to participate and perform at several in the coming years.

As mentioned recently at the 9th Grade Orientation, Dr. Border committed funds to purchase 10 new professional luthier guitars from the Hill Guitar Company in California and to allow scheduling of a new “Guitar Conservatory Class” within the FHS Guitar Program to prepare our growing number of students for collegiate auditions in preparation for a life of playing guitar professionally and/or teaching guitar.

2013-14 will prove to be another active and exciting school year for the FHS Guitar Program as we will participate in numerous clinics, master classes and concerts with some of the best guitar teachers and performers in the world and include Dr. Stephen Robinson (Stetson University), William Kanengiser (Los Angeles Guitar Quartet/University of Southern California), Harris Becker (Long Island University), Christopher Gotzen-Berg (Molloy College) and Andrew York (LAGQ and international artist).

~ Mr. Perez

NOTE: To ensure an enjoyable concert experience for all, please refrain from talking, entering or exiting while musicians are performing. Food and drink are prohibited in the Performing Arts Center. Please turn off cell phones and other electronic devices. Thank you for your cooperation.