

The Freedom High School Performing Arts Department
Presents our

Spring Guitar Concert



**Featuring our Guitar Ensembles:
Tasto, the Guitar Orchestra and Artist-in-Residence
Dr. Ulisses Rocha,
University of Campinas, São Paulo, Brazil**

**Ms. Cheryl Neely – Principal
Christopher Perez –Director of Guitar Studies**

**Freedom High School Performing Arts Center
Thursday, October 10, 2019, 7:00 p.m.**

Program

Guitar Conservatory:

Etude #1.....Hector Villa-Lobos
Soloist – Gabriel Quintero

TASTO:

Ama Gachoa.....Yvon Rivoal/arr. Francis Goudard
Fire and Ice.....Rex Willis

Guitar Orchestra:

Hewlett.....Turlough O’Carolan/arr. Derek Hasted
Chippewyan Naildance.....Annette Kruisbrink

Artist-in-Residence – Dr. Ulisses Rocha

Mar Aberto
Calango
Jabuticaba
Desatino
Habana vieja

Combined FHS Guitar Ensembles featuring Dr. Ulisses Rocha

World Premiere Performance of “Trip to Freedom”, a three movement concerto written by Dr. Ulisses Rocha and dedicated to the Freedom High School Guitar Program

Trip to Freedom (2016)
On the Edge of the Creek (2019)
Strong Winds Approaching (2019)

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

About our Artist-in-Residence:



Considered one of Brazil's finest guitarists/composers in the past twenty years, Dr. Ulisses Rocha hails from Rio de Janeiro, Brazil and has performed and recorded with some of the country's best-known artists, including Gal Costa, Cesar Camargo Mariano, and Hermeto Pascoal. He has also shared the stage with Egberto Gismonti, Al Di Meola, Eliane Elias, Marco Pereira, and Paulo Belinatti.

He began playing and studying classical guitar at a young age but also took up electric guitar and began to explore rock and roll music. In the early 1980's he united with fellow guitarists André Geraissati and Mozart Mello to form the Group D'Alma, a musically eclectic trio that influenced the formation of the enormously successful trio of John McLaughlin, Paco de Lucia, and Al di Meola. Dr. Rocha has released twelve CDs and participated on numerous other recording projects.

Dr. Rocha has been a professor at the Unicamp Faculty of Music since 1990 and is was a visiting professor of guitar in the School of Music at the University of Florida from 2012 to 2016 and is the 2012-2013 Bacardi Eminent Scholar through UF's Center for Latin American Studies. He recently defended his thesis on compositional etudes and received his Doctoral papers from the Universidad Estadual de Campinas in São Paulo, Brazil.

We are a member of the Education Collective with D'Addario. The Freedom High School Guitar Program endorses and exclusively uses D'Addario guitar strings for our Classical, Requinto, Acoustic, Electric, Acoustic Bass and Electric Bass Guitars.



The Freedom High School Guitar Program are proud endorsers of the NEW WORLD "Player Series" by the Hill Guitar Company of Ben Lomond, California.



2019-2020 Guitar Orchestra and Tasto Personnel:

**Ava Acosta
Ashley Albanes
Alessandra Arevalo
Justin Baeli
Andrew Bates
Gabriel Barmaksoz Ordonez
Samuel Baxter
Jaime Breeden
Hazel Cabrera
John Cates
Scott Clerge
David Duarte Reyes
Aadhitya Varshan Durgadevi
Samuel Duque Salas
David Espinal
Antonio Fernandez
Camila Garcia-Sabatier
Ryan Gibson
Fabrizio Gomez Lomparte
Corinne Griffin
Ismael Guevara-Gonzalez
Daniel "Joshua" Ibadlit
Andrew Jeune
Kliever Joseph
Grace Knudson
Arshia Mafi-Nezhad**

**Ignacio Martucci
Lorenzo Mergenthaler
Sergio Mora Penagos
Matthew Moscoso
+ Diego Namnum
Leonardo Nascimento
Darian Nong
Neilo Navarez
Clara Padua Cruz
Ramey Pennington
Javier Pertillo-Hernandez
+ Gabriel Quintero
Luis Ramos-Grateron
Alexandra Saa
Marco Saavedra
Leo Sainfils
Lucca Sbardelotto
Maxim Scheslavsky
Adriel Segara-Campos
Dennis Sinclair
Dominic Statuto
Andrew Sullivan
Jordan Vaknin
Abner Vazquez Jr.
Nicholas Weissmuller
Xinling Yang**

+ denotes 2019 NAFME Guitar All-National Honor Ensemble Participant

