

WILLIAM PATERSON UNIVERSITY GUITARFEST 2015

Saturday, May 2nd, 2015

Anna Mnich, guitarist

Tia Roper/Gabriel Handy, flute-guitar duo

Paul Meyers, finger-style jazz master

WILLIAM PATERSON UNIVERSITY GUITARFEST 2015 EVENTS

11:00-12:30: William Paterson University Guitar Student Concert

1:30-2:30: Tia Roper/Gabriel Handy, flute-guitar duo in concert

3:00-4:00: Paul Meyers: Creating playable, great sounding arrangements for solo guitar

4:30-6:30: Anna Mnich Master Class

8:00-9:30: Anna Mnich, guitarist in concert

All Guitarfest Events will take place in the Hobart Manor, 2nd floor at William Paterson University, 300 Pompton Road, Wayne NJ 07470



Anna Mnich of Poland is a recipient of the Andres Segovia Award and a prizewinner of numerous competitions throughout Poland

(Kielce, Sanok, Koszalin) and international competitions in Rust, Austria, and in the USA. Ms. Mnich performed for the New York Historical Society, the Long Island Guitar Festival, the Pilsudski Institute of America in New York and the 9/11 Commemoration Ceremony. In addition, as a member of Silesian Guitar Octet she gave concerts in Poland, Slovakia, and Hungary. She has made recordings with with the Polish Radio National Symphonic Orchestra of Katowice. Ms. Mnich holds a Master of Music Degree from Manhattan School of Music where she studied with David Starobin and a Master of Music Degree from Academy of Music in Katowice, Poland, where she studied with Wanda Palacz.



Tia Roper-Gabriel Handy Duo

Tia Roper and Gabriel Handy form a flute/guitar partnership founded on their virtuosic playing and diverse experiences as soloists and chamber musicians. Each of them has performed across the USA and they have both been prize-winners in competitions on both sides of the Atlantic, Mr. Handy at

the Admira International Guitar Competition in Bath, England and Dr. Roper at the New York Flute Club Competition. Mr. Handy is professor of guitar at William Paterson University and Dr. Roper is Adjunct Assistant Professor of Ethnomusicology at Medgar Evers College, The City University of New York. Both are on the faculty at the Bloomingdale School of Music in New York City. At Guitarfest 2015, they will present an exciting program including works by Ibert, Molino, David Leisner and more.



Paul Meyers is a finger style jazz guitar master who has performed and/or recorded with an ever growing list of jazz greats such as Geri Allen, Harry Allen, Kenny Barron, Ron Carter, Ray Drummond, Eliane Elias, Clare Fischer, Sonny Fortune, Eddie Gomez, Annie Ross, Wynton Marsalis, Bill Mays, Rufus Reid, David Sanchez and Steve Wilson. He's also toured for years with two of the greatest jazz singers ever - Jon Hendricks since 1993, and Andy Bey from 1997 to 2008. Mr. Meyers has released several solo CD's and is a professor of guitar at William Paterson University. At Guitarfest 2015, he will share his ideas on making great sounding, playable arrangements of tunes for solo guitar.

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