The University of Wisconsin –La Crosse College of Liberal Studies School of Arts & Communication Department of Music

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# Fred Davis

In a Senior Guitar Recital

2:00 p.m., Saturday November 13, 2010 Annett Recital Hall Center for the Arts

This recital is presented in partial fulfillment of the Bachelor of Science in Music with Emphasis in Classical Performance. Mr. Davis is a student of Dr. Richard Pinnell

# **Program Notes**

Note: Please turn off phones and other devices

## PROGRAM

Selections from *El Maestro* Pavane I Pavane V

Selections from *Lute Suite in A minor* (BWV 997) Prelude Johann Sebastian Bach Gigue (1750-1685)

*Trio in A minor* I. Andante molto II. Larghetto III. Allegro

#### INTERMISSION 10 MINUTES

Asturias

Leyenda

Douze Etudes Etude I Suite Populaire Brésilienne Valse-Choro

Koyunbaba

I. Moderato II. Mosso III. Cantabile IV. Presto Isaac Albéniz (1860-1909)

Heitor Villa-Lobos (1887-1959)

Carlo Domeniconi (1947- )

(c1500-c1560)

Antonio Vivaldi (1678-1741)

Luis Milán

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**Luis Milán** played and wrote for the Vihuela, one of the guitar's predecessors. He authored *El Maestro*, in 1536. It was the first published instructional method book for any instrument. The Pavanes in it are stately, slow, and modal. They offer a taste of the High Renaissance style in Spain.

Johann Sebastian Bach wrote three suites and other pieces for lute, though much of that was likely originally for cello, violin or lute-harpsichord, as Bach rewrote them himself for the lute. Consequently, most of this repertoire is in not native to the guitar, which makes it difficult. The prelude and gigue performed today are characteristically motivic and contrapuntal, though necessarily less so than Bach's keyboard works. They are transposed to A minor for the guitar.

**Antonio Vivaldi** was an Italian composer and musician known for his contributions to instrumental technique and Baroque style. The Trio in A minor played today was originally for violin, lute and bass, and was played in G minor. Today I will play the trio on a stunning replica of a 17<sup>th</sup> century nine-string Baroque guitar. **Isaac Albéniz** was a Spanish composer and pianist during the late Romantic period. Of his piano solos, he wrote a set based on his tours of the Spanish regions; *Asturias* represents that region. Many of these would be famously arranged for the guitar by Andrés Segovia, such as the one I will perform today.

**Heitor Villa-Lobos** was a 20th century Brazillian composer, the most prolific in the history of Latin American music. Villa-Lobos enjoyed a special relationship with Andrés Segovia for whom he composed some of the most popular guitar repertoire in the world. Today, you will hear the first of twelve concert etudes or studies that Villa-Lobos composed, and the third movement of a suite of Brazillian choros.

**Carlo Domeniconi** is a contemporary Italian composer with Eastern influences. Among his most famous compositions is *Koyunbaba*, a piece in four movements inspired by Domeniconi's improvisations. The piece is rhythmically free, harmonically simple, very dynamic and very engaging. This piece reveals much of the guitar's potential, depending heavily on the guitar's timbre and sustain and implements interesting tremolos and other right hand legato techniques.

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