



# Long Island Guitar Festival

April 26 to 30, 2023

Harris Becker, Director

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Dear Friend,

Eclectic and International, the 31st annual Long Island Guitar Festival will be held April 26-30, 2023 at the Setauket Presbyterian Church in Setauket, NY. The 2023 guitar festival is presented in partnership with the Setauket Presbyterian Church and the Oberon Foundation.

In the past, the Long Island Guitar Festival has proudly presented such distinguished guitarists as John Williams, David Russell, John Etheridge, Laura Snowden, Vida Guitar Quartet, Berta Rojas, Jason Vieaux, Thibault Cauvin, Beijing Guitar Duo, Chinnawat Themkumkwun, Paul Cesarczyk, Derek Gripper, Rene Izquierdo, Vida Quartet, Gohar Vardanyan, Huy Thanh Nguyen, Evan Taucher, Paul Galbraith, Ana Vidovic, Paul O'Dette, Artesian Guitar Quartet, Jérôme Ducharme, Newman/Oltman Duo, Fabio Zanon, Saigon Guitar Quartet, Denis Azabagic, The Los Angeles Guitar Quartet, Gyan Riley, Raphaella Smits, Adam Holzman, Roland Dyens, Dougals Back, David Leisner, Frederic Hand, Carlo Domeniconi (U.S. Debut), Manuel Barrueco, Michael Lorimer, Eduardo Fernandez, Cecilia Siqueria, Hayley Savage, Jorge Caballero, Celia Linde, Howard Alden, Mark Elf, Eliot Fisk, Douglas Back, Ben Moran, Frank Vignola, Mare Duo (Annika Hinsche, Mandolin & Fabian Hinsche, Guitar) Chiel Minucci, Jerry Willard, Howard Morgen, Bucky and John Pizzarelli, Gene Bertocini, Pat O'Brien, Dennis Koster, Harris Becker, Amanda Cook, Ernesto Tamayo, Kevin Dolen, Pasquale Bianculli, Dennis Cinelli, Dušan Bogdanović, John Zaccari, David Starobin, Benjamin Verdery and Lutenist Ronn McFarlane.

The Long Island Guitar now celebrating its 31<sup>st</sup> season will provide a unique opportunity for students and the public to see world-class artists teaching and performing. scheduled performers include **Berta Rojas, Laura Snowden, João Luiz (guitar quartet), Boyd Meets Girl (Rupert Boyd, guitar & Laura Metcalf, cello), Huy Thanh Nguyen, Harris Becker & Friends and Penelope Shvarts, winner of the 2022 LIGF High School Classical Guitar Competition.**

**Ensembles scheduled to perform include the NJMEA HS Honors Guitar Orchestra, New Jersey Guitar Orchestra, Susan E. Wagner HS Guitar Ensemble, and the Metropolitan Guitar Academy.**

**Featured events at Festival 2023 will include the US premieres of pieces for large ensembles – Trois Rêves composed by Laura Snowden and Crépuscule Rustique by Canadian composer Michael Spiroff. as well as master classes and workshops.**

The Long Island Guitar Festival is an annual *Eclectic and International* festival. It represents a continuing commitment to reach out to the artistic community and continue an established tradition of excellence in guitar performance and pedagogy.

We are asking individuals to be part of our festival by making a donation. We will thank you in our program book which is distributed at all festival events.

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact us at [LIGFestival@aol.com](mailto:LIGFestival@aol.com).

Thank you very much for consideration of our proposal.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'H. Becker', with a long, sweeping underline that extends to the right.

Harris Becker

**31st LONG ISLAND GUITAR FESTIVAL**

**April 26-30, 2023**

Berta Rojas, Laura Snowden, João Luiz (guitar quartet), Boyd Meets Girl (Rupert Boyd, guitar & Laura Metcalf, cello), Huy Thanh Nguyen, Pavel Ralev (US debut), Harris Becker & Friends  
US National High School Guitar Competition

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