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Michigan-based Folias Duo breathes new life into classical music for 2022 tour

The Michigan-based DIY classical flute and guitar ensemble Folias Duo returns to the western United States for concerts and new music this May. With concerts in intimate settings, they share their instrumental compositions inspired by life on the road and impressions left by the natural world.

“Coming out of the pandemic, we can’t tell you how thrilled we are to make our yearly journey across the country for live in-person concerts in the West,” says Maret.

Since April of 2020, Bergeron and Maret have adapted their creative efforts by presenting over thirty live stream concerts from their home featuring original flute and guitar music resulting in dozens of new pieces that they will take on the road this summer.

“We like to keep this cyclical feeling in our artistic life,” says Bergeron. “This summer, we will enjoy playing concerts of our own music, but we’ll also take a few weeks in the great outdoors for what we call a ‘DIY Composing Residency,’ writing music in rustic cabins.” Maret adds, “Since we do everything (booking, composing, performing) it’s important for us to stay connected to nature and ultimately each location inspires the next round of compositions.”

Entering its nineteenth season, the Folias Duo consists of a husband and wife duo with Carmen Maret (flute) and Andrew Bergeron (guitar), who before the pandemic performed live together in 50+ concerts a year. Maret and Bergeron met in graduate school at Michigan State University through a mutual love of writing original classical music and playing tango dances. They have performed on stages throughout the United States, South America, and Europe.

“We’ll be taking our listener on a journey of our new and recorded music from the past two decades,” says Maret. Folias Duo has seven albums of original compositions and arrangements, including five albums on the Blue Griffin Recording label (2004-2014) and two on their own Folias Music label: Dreaming to Live (2017) and Delicate Omens (2019).

Folias Duo May Tour Dates

May 6 Tour Send-Off - Grand Rapids, MI
May 10 Silco Theater - Silver City, NM
May 13 West Charleston Library - Las Vegas, NV
May 14 Mount Charleston Library - Mt. Charleston, NV
May 15 Clark County Main Theater - Las Vegas, NV
May 18 Encinitas Library - Encinitas, CA
May 19 Jefferson Classical Guitar Society - Talent, OR
May 21 Chico Guitar Project - Chico, CA
May 22 Yuba Sutter Arts - Yuba City, CA
May 24 San Luis Obispo Library - San Luis Obispo, CA
May 25 Ventura County Classical Guitar Society - Camarillo, CA
May 29 Private House Concert - Boise, ID

For more information, please visit www.foliasmusic.com/events