

Folias Duo “Heartdance”

What Stands Out: Folias Duo returns with a collection of new pieces highlighting the 25 years of artistic and life partnership between members flutist Carmen Maret and guitarist Andrew Bergeron. While touring around the Southwest on their annual summer travels, the duo crafted these songs on camping trips and cabin stays that pushed their creativity to new heights. It shows in the expert arranging for each instrument, the added folklore and storytelling through their imaginative writing, and even academic nuggets that will no doubt delight music scholars while also highlighting their shared careers as music educators. “Heartdance” is a wonderful tango between two artists with passion for their craft as strong and evident as their continuing partnership, and it translates to some beautiful listening experiences throughout.



Digging Deeper: A quote from their Bandcamp page sums it up best, Folias Duo makes “conversational chamber music, exploring the sonic possibilities for flute and guitar within their modern classical music background, experimenting with Argentine folk, jazz, and world music, engaging both ecological and existential themes.” It’s a beautiful blend of intellect, cultural and sonic exploration, a deep love and commitment to one another through life and song, and a shared joy in exploring and adding to the repertoire of music for classical guitar and flute. Whether it’s leaving your seat to indulge in some tango or marveling at the intricate, virtuosic ensemble musicianship in the twilight hours, this album is sure to inspire and delight when it officially releases May 5.

Perfect For: Anyone looking to sit down and enjoy the full, multi-course sonic feast that Andrew and Carmen so lovingly prepared in their home. So many cool flutes. – *Dutcher Snedeker*

Website: <https://www.foliasmusic.com/>

Upcoming Shows: May 5 at The Stray in Grand Rapids (album-release with Brian Oberlin and Sallie Bacon); May 7 at C3 Spiritual Community in Grand Haven (10 a.m.); May 7 at Artworks in Big Rapids (3 p.m.)

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