



Long Island Guitar Festival 2017  
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Dear Friend,

The Department of Music of the School of Performing Arts at LIU Post is pleased to announce a celebration of the 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Long Island Guitar Festival April 2 - 9, 2017 at Tilles Center's Hillwood Recital Hall.

In the past, the Long Island Guitar Festival has proudly presented such distinguished guitarists as John Williams, John Etheridge, Vida Guitar Quartet, Berta Rojas, Jason Vieaux, Thibault Cauvin, Paul Cesarczyk, Derek Gripper, Vida Quartet, Paul Galbraith, Ana Vidovic, Paul O'Dette, Artesian Guitar Quartet, Jérôme Ducharme, Newman/Oltman Duo, Fabio Zanon, 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) Chieli Minucci, Jerry Willard, Howard Morgen, Bucky and John Pizzarelli, Gene Bertoncini, 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 Festival now in its 25<sup>th</sup> season will provide a unique opportunity for students and the general public to see world-class artists teaching and performing. The concerts proposed for the 2017 festival will feature **David Leisner, Benjamin Verdery, Vida Guitar Quartet, Raphaella Smits, Huy Thanh Nguyen, Gohar Vardanyan** and the **Saigon Guitar Quartet**. We also will feature the **National High School Guitar Competition**, and the **LIGF Guitar Orchestra** as well as master classes and workshops.

The Long Island Guitar Festival is an annual *Eclectic and International* festival. The festival 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.

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at the LIU Post Department of Music at (516) 299-3181 or [LIGFestival@aol.com](mailto:LIGFestival@aol.com).

Thank you very much for consideration of our proposal.

Sincerely,

Harris Becker

**25<sup>th</sup> LONG ISLAND GUITAR FESTIVAL**

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Huy Thanh Nguyen, Saigon Guitar Quartet, Gohar Vardanyan  
US National High School Guitar Competition**

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