

Mark Eden & Chris Stell – The Eden/Stell Duo

Mark Eden and Christopher Stell graduated from the Royal Academy of Music as recipients of the Principal's Prize and the Julian Bream Prize. They continued their studies in Brussels with the Brazilian Guitar Duo, Sérgio and Odair Assad with the aid of a grant from the Worshipful Company of Musicians.



Now Internationally renowned for their dynamism, innovation and breathtaking virtuosity, the Eden Stell Guitar Duo have 'breathed new life into the world of the classical guitar' (Rotterdam Dagblad).

Widely regarded as one of the world's leading guitar ensembles, the duo's chameleon-like ability to communicate in a multitude of musical styles makes them a constantly evolving entity with a unique creative voice.

Likened to a 'miraculous single guitarist blessed with an impossibly wonderful technique and an exceptionally delicate touch' (The Observer), the Eden Stell Guitar Duo have been invited to perform at venues and music festivals around the world; including Germany, France, Netherlands, Belgium, Austria, Sweden, Spain, Portugal, Italy, Romania, Turkey, USA, Canada, Mexico, South and Central America and Australia, plus numerous radio and TV appearances on ITV, BBC and European and North American networks.

Nicola Russell — Flute

Nicola Russell studied the flute with Simon Hunt at the Guildhall school of Music, then at the Colchester Institute. After developing a keen interest in authentic performance this led to further study of the Baroque flute with Stephen Preston. Nicola has combined a long career in teaching the flute in Avon, and Gloucestershire where she was head of woodwind. She is a regular solo, chamber, and orchestral performer on both modern and baroque instruments. Nicola is currently co-principal flute in the Bath Symphony Orchestra and a member of the Baroque Ensemble 'Sonority 18 C' which is based in Wiltshire.



Concert Programme

7pm — 26 November 2023

WAGO



Wyvern Afinado Guitar Orchestra

Concert Ticket & Programme
(Entry by Voluntary Contribution)

Hewish and Puxton Village Hall

WAGO — Concert Programme

Solo : Tango de la Casada Infiel
a homenaje a Federico García Lorca
: Vicente Ascencio y Ruano (1908—1979)

Guitar : Luke Bartlett

Duet: Mountain Songs : Robert Beaser (b.1954)

Flute : Nicky Russell

Guitar : Luke

Quartet : Pastorelle

Hiking Boat Blues : Ivan Andrews

WAGO: Triple Violin Concerto BWV 1064R
J.S Bach (1685—1750)

Allegro, Adagio, Allegro

Arranged for WAGO by Steve Gordon

Soloists : Jay, Vince, John

----- **20 Minute Intermission** -----

A free glass of wine, juice, or water is available

Duet: Suite No.1 — Chris Stell

Flute : Nicky Russell

Guitar : Mark Eden

Quartet:

From Lulworth : Chris Stell

a Furiosa : Paulo Bellinati (b.1950)

(Guitars: Mark, Chris, Jay, Vince)

WAGO: Lorca Concerto for 2 Guitars : Gerald Garcia

Soloists : Luke Bartlett and Thorben Louw

Bonus Piece : Folguedo — Celso Machado (b.1953)

Percussion : Phil Bunce

**We are pleased to welcome you to Hewish & Puxton
Village Hall tonight and hope you enjoy our concert**



The Wyvern Afinado Guitar Orchestra (WAGO) was formed in 2020 as a group of amateur guitarists who enjoy playing the classical guitar together. A 'Wyvern' is the 2 legged dragon, a version of which is on the flag of Somerset, and 'Afinado' is a Spanish word meaning 'in tune' or 'polished'

Today represents our 7th concert and, with it, we are privileged to be supported by Mark Eden and Chris Stell, and to have benefited in earlier workshops from the support of Berta Rojas, Stephen Gordon and Gerald Garcia, composers and arrangers of some of the music played tonight. We also welcome back our wonderful guest flautist Nicola Russell.

Our programme showcases the guitar in a range of formats including: solos, duets, quartets, and full WAGO ensemble. In some of our arrangements and performances WAGO uses a range of non-standard guitars which can include : a Requinto (perfect 4th above a standard guitar tuning), a Quint/Alto (perfect 5th above), a Soprano (octave above), and a Contrabass (octave below). This mix of guitars offers more scale, tonal range, and colour, providing wider musical possibilities.

Guest — Concert Directors

Chris Stell & Mark Eden

Guest — Flute

Nicky Russell

WAGO Lead

Vince Smith

Guitar

Cari Aplin

Guitar

Ciaran Elster

Guitar

Jay Huff

Guitar

Ivan Andrews

Guitar

John Edwards

Guitar

Luke Bartlett

Guitar

Rob Blackwell

Guitar

Peter Smith

Guitar

Sarah Mackie

Guitar

Tony Mulholland

Guitar

Thorben Louw