



Colorado Springs Guitar Society Newsletter

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Last Month's Meeting

Last month's CSGS meeting was held Monday, March 8th, at ASUUC. The performers and pieces were:

- Group ensemble (Ashley Lutton, Angela Pilgrim, Bonnie Moffitt-Clark, Jim Bosse, Greg Playle, Bert Bradford, Jim Smith, Mike Richard, Tom Stringer, and Mike Zimmerman, director): "Green Holm Jig", "Sea Reivers", and "The Pavane of Welburn".
- Paula Olmstead (recorder) and Mike Richard (guitar): Siciliana (J. S. Bach)
- Mike Richard: Rondo in G (Fernando Carulli)
- Charles Rann (voice-Bassist) and Jim Bosse (guitar): arias from "The Man of La Mancha" (the title song, "I Am I", "Dulcinea", "Little Bird, Little Bird", and "The Impossible Dream") (guitar acc. arr. J. Bosse)
- Jim Bosse: "Temple Canyon Suite", 1st movement (J. Bosse)
- Bert Bradford: Estudio no. 13 in D minor (Fernando Sor) and Study no. 13 (Matteo Carcassi)
- Mike Zimmerman: "Lament for his Second Wife" (Neil Gow)
- Tom Stringer: Nocturne, Op 4, no. 2 (J. Mertz), "Melancholie", Op 51, and Scherzando, Op 38, no. 8 (Napoleon Coste)

CSGS Officers:

- **Mike Zimmerman**, President
- **Jim Bosse**, Vice President
- **Bruce Downs**, Secretary
- **Greg Playle**, Webmaster
- **Tom Stringer**, Newsletter Editor
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 - **Ross Trottier**
 - **Ashley Lutton**

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The Next Meeting of the CSGS

Meetings are always the second Monday of each month, at All Souls Unitarian Universalist Church (ASUUC), 730 North Tejon, at 7:30 PM. The next meeting is **Monday April 12th**.

All guitarists that wish to may join in playing a set of four easy ensemble pieces. This will be a group activity at the start of the meeting. The first two pieces are "The Pavane of Welburn" and "Sea Reivers" (attached with newsletter). The last two group pieces are "The First Day of Spring" (an Icelandic folk song) and "The Giant in the Woods" (a Catalan folksong). Both of these may be found on the Eythorsson website as numbers 1 & 2 from the "Guitar Trios for Beginners", Volume II at

<http://www.classicalguitarschool.net/en/Download.aspx?id=3001>

If you are going to join in on these, please pick and practice the parts you would like to play, if possible please print and bring the sheet music, and please have your guitar tuned to standard pitch before the meeting begins.

Music Quotes

"In no other art did the Bach miracle occur. To strip human nature down to its divine core; to endow with spiritual fervor that is most universally human; to give divine wings to the flight of the ethereal; to render the human divine, and the divine human; this is Bach: the highest, purest musical pinnacle of all time."

--Pablo Casals

"I want to make of my life something that is straight and simple, like a hollow reed, so that god may fill it with music."

-- Ida Presti (Genius guitarist - 1924-1967)

"Music is a manifestation of love... If you are touched by music you are touched by love in a very pure way."

--Pepe Romero

"One cannot become a guitarist if he has not bathed in the fountain of culture."--Agustin Barrios Mangore

"The guitar is a wonderful instrument which is understood by few." - Franz Schubert

Upcoming Concerts

- Watch this newsletter and the website for announcements of the upcoming CSGS-sponsored guitar concerts. Denver classical guitarist Ben Cantu will appear as a soloist on Sunday July 11, 2010 at 5:00pm. This concert is co-sponsored by a generous donation by CSGS member, Sam Cogburn, and the Colorado College Summer Arts Festival. It will be in Packard Hall. Michael Nigro will appear on Saturday September 25, 2010 at 7:30pm at All Souls Church. *(Editor's note: CSGS President Mike Zimmerman and Vice President Jim Bosse ask that each member buys, in advance, two season tickets for \$20 each, to help assure that the performers are paid for their performance, and recognizing that, if we are to continue providing guitar concerts, it is necessary to have the requisite financial support of the members--TAS).*
- Classically Alive presents; an all J. S. Bach Concert featuring Jim Bosse - guitar, Paul Nagum - flute, Jan Eklund - violin, Carl Eklund and Abe Minzer - piano. Thursday April 29, 2010 at 6:30pm. Admission \$25 includes concert and dinner. Reservations - 719-229-2239 or aminzer@comcast.net



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Musicians wanted for Sunday Services at All Souls Unitarian Universalist Church

ASUUC occasionally requests classical guitar performers for their Sunday services. The agreement with ASUC is that the CSGS is allowed use of the church facilities for the monthly meetings in exchange for the CSGS providing music during their services. Solos, duets, etc are welcome. Please contact Mike Zimmerman if you would like to perform occasionally at ASUUC services. *(Editor's note: if you play for a service, we will, if you wish, include a photo and a brief note about the pieces you played--TAS).*

Last month, the trio of CSGS members pictured below (left to right, Mike Zimmerman, Dena Zimmerman, and Tom Stringer) played for the ASUUC service. Because it was close to St Patrick's day, a set of pieces appropriate for that occasion were played: "Sea Reivers", "South Wind" and "Follow me up to Carlow".



Status of the New CSGS Website

Greg Playle continues to work on and update the CSGS website. He has placed several back issues of the CSGS newsletters on the site, as well as some recent photos of members and recent concerts on it as well. If you have any relevant photos for the gallery, please contact Greg at Webmaster@ColoradoSpringsGuitarSociety.org to arrange to send them to him. Also, if you have any ideas about what you would like to see added to the website, please contact Greg the above email address, or come to next Mondays' meeting and discuss the ideas with him in person.

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