



The Aquarelle Guitar Quartet are delighted to announce the imminent release of their latest disc for Chandos Records....'Cuatro'....their *fourth* album for Chandos, comprising *four* works, performed on *four* guitars by the Aquarelle Guitar *Quartet!*

The disc features the music of Spain, and though not in every case by a Spaniard, each piece is Spanish at heart. Spain is the spiritual home of the classical guitar, and its music makes an irreplaceable contribution to the repertoire of the instrument. From the genteel excitement of Fernando Sor's virtuosic compositions to the passionate improvisations of the gypsy flamenco tradition, the guitar has deeply influenced the musical history of Spain. So vibrant is Spanish music that composers throughout the world have paid tribute to it with their own compositions – pastiches of the Spanish style.

Cuatro begins with an inspired arrangement of Fernando Sor's Grand Solo, made by the legendary Sergio Assad. This is followed by William Kanengiser's marvellous arrangement of Capriccio Espagnol - one of the most colourful pieces of the orchestral repertoire and one that lends itself beautifully to interpretation on the guitar. It is then our huge privilege to premier on Cuatro a new arrangement by David Roe of La Vega, by Isaac Albeniz. The album concludes with Ian Krouse's epic tribute to musical theme 'La Folia'...Folías.

Cuatro: A Tribute to the Music of Spain Aquarelle Guitar Quartet CHAN 10786

Grand Solo - Fernando Sor (1778-1839), arr. Sergio Assad

Capriccio Espagnol - N.Rimsky-Korsakov (1844-1908), arr. William Kanengiser

La Vega - Isaac Albeniz (1860-1909), arr. David Roe

Folias - Ian Krouse (b.1956)

The Aquarelle Guitar Quartet is a dynamic and innovative ensemble known for its extraordinary ensemble in performance, expansive repertoire and ground breaking work in developing the guitar quartet medium. The quartet has performed extensively across the UK and abroad to critical acclaim, and is admired for its original arrangements of music from a wide range of styles, periods and cultures.

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'this British ensemble seems incapable of playing with less than a glorious range of sound, perfect ensemble, and exquisite taste. This is superb playing, and the music is ravishing' **American Record Guide** on CHAN 10723



'After a first hearing, I felt as if I had musically travelled all over the world and was more than ready to get back on the plane for another round-trip. The recording has a warm presence, rich tone and a real sense of depth' **International Record Review** on CHAN 10609



'With outstanding playing and infectious spirit, this is no mere niche guitar CD, but a luscious and lively general-appeal winner' **BBC Music Magazine** on CHAN 10512

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