

DUO SPIRITOSO

Duo Spiritoso [guitarists Jeffrey McFadden and Andrew Zohn] was formed in 2004 and has performed in three countries and two continents to high audience praise. Considered widely to be among the top new guitar duos in the world, they continue to delight with unique programming and a characteristic energy in their performances. *Guitar* magazine raved about a recent performance saying, “*their shared musical sensibilities, technical prowess and unwavering standards provided a performance that was at once audacious, dynamic, moving and powerful*”.

Duo Spiritoso has been invited to perform at major guitar festivals in Canada and the United States including the Toronto Guitar Symposium and the Guitar Foundation of America Convention. Their unique programming has included such diverse composers as Rossini, Bartok, Sergio Assad, and Celso Machado. Their first recording will feature concerti by Antonio Vivaldi.

Andrew Zohn is both an acclaimed performer and composer. He has won prizes in five international competitions including the Guitar Foundation of America and the Stotsenberg International. Zohn has been a featured solo artist, orchestral soloist, and lecturer throughout North America and in Europe. In addition to his position of assistant professor of music at Columbus State University, he also serves on the faculties of the *Guitar on the Mediterranean Festival* in Italy, and the *GuitareLachine Festival* in Canada each summer. His numerous compositions and arrangements for guitar are widely distributed through Les Productions d'Oz, Canada.

Jeffrey McFadden has performed across North America and Europe. He has recorded seven highly celebrated CD's with the Naxos label which have sold in the tens of thousands of copies. He regularly performs as a member of Toronto's acclaimed New Music Concerts Ensemble and is heard frequently on CBC radio in Canada and NPR in the United States. A lecturer in guitar at the University of Toronto, McFadden is also a sought-after clinician and editor of pedagogical materials.