

KENNESAW STATE UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF MUSIC

# *Classical Guitar & Jazz Guitar Ensemble*

Mary Akerman, Trey Wright  
DIRECTORS



Wednesday, November 1, 2017 at 8 pm

Dr. Bobbie Bailey & Family Performance Center, Morgan Hall

Thirty-seventh Concert of the 2017-18 Concert Season

# program

## *Classical Guitar*

ALFONSO MONTES (b. 1955)

**Preludio de Adios**

JOSE LUIS MERLIN (b. 1952)

**Joropo**

Aldo Cardenas, guitar

MAXIMO DIEGO PUJOL (b. 1957)

**Suite "Buenos Aires"**

1. *Palermo*

2. *Microcentro*

Aldo Cardenas, guitar

Ruth Bearden, flute

## *Jazz Guitar Ensemble*

**"A tribute to Django + more!"**

CHRIS BUZZELLI

***Unexpected Leisure Time***

DJANGO REINHARDT / arr. Dave Frackenpohl

***Nuages***

DJANGO REINHARDT

***Minor Swing***

JOHN LEWIS / arr. Dave Frackenpohl

***Django***

Luiz Bonfá / arr. Trey Wright

***Samba de Orfeo***



MARY AKERMAN, *Director*

Aldo Cardenas, guitar

Ruth Bearden, flute

TREY WRIGHT, *Director*

Christian Moore

Trey Dunnahoo

Simon Needle

Chris Marks

Robert Herrington, guitar

Drew Lloyd, bass

Zack Smith, drums

## biographies

*Lecturer of Guitar*

**M**ary Akerman teaches classical guitar at Kennesaw State University. Her educational credits include Bachelor's (*cum laude*) and Master's degrees in Performance from the University of Georgia. She continued her performance studies at Florida State University where she was a graduate teaching assistant.



She was the recipient of Atlanta Music Club Scholarships and two scholarships for summer study in Spain with the Jose Tomas. Additionally, she was selected by audition to perform in a masterclass with Andres Segovia.

While at Florida State University, Mary Akerman won first prize in the Guitar Foundation of America Competition and subsequently gave the first winner's tour. She also won first prize in the Casa de Espana of Puerto Rico competition and was a bronze medalist in the Radio France competition.

Mary Akerman is active as both a soloist and chamber musician. She has performed with the Atlanta Symphony, Cobb Symphony, Gainesville

Symphony, and Macon Symphony. She has performed on NPR's "Performance Today" and has recorded with Robert Shaw and the Atlanta Festival Singers. She also concertizes frequently with duo partner guitarist Robert Teixeira.

She has performed, adjudicated, and taught at the following guitar festivals: Guitar Foundation of America, Southwestern Guitar Festival, East Carolina Summer Guitar Workshop, Festival de Guitarra in Paracho Mexico, and Festival Internacional de Guitarra del Noreste, Saltillo, Coahuila, Mexico.

Since winning the Guitar Foundation of America Competition Mary Akerman has been an active supporter of that organization. She has been elected to three consecutive terms on their Board of Trustees.

Mary's Kennesaw graduates have been accepted to Master's and Doctoral programs in Performance at Peabody Conservatory, University of Texas at Austin, Florida State University, Shenandoah Conservatory, University of Texas at San Antonio, and Middle Tennessee State University.

*Senior Lecturer In Jazz Guitar and Jazz Studies*

**T**rey Wright is a jazz guitarist, composer and recording artist based in Roswell, Georgia. Initially inspired by the blues, Trey was exposed to jazz early in his development by a private instructor. While studying Sociology at the University of Georgia, Wright furthered his study of jazz improvisation with pianist and composer Steve Dancz. In 1994, he co-



founded the Athens/Atlanta based jazz band, Squat. The group is a six-time winner of *Best Jazz Band* at the Flagpole Athens Music Awards and has been a featured artist at the Atlanta Jazz Festival, Bel Chere, the Twilight Athens Jazz Festival, the Cherry Blossom Festival, Harvest Midtown and Athfest. Several of Trey's compositions with the group have received international airplay and have been featured on *Sirius* radio and NPR's *All Things Considered*.

Trey also performs freelance in the Athens and Atlanta area and has performed with Yellowjackets' bassist Jimmy Haslip, John Patitucci, Joe Lovano, Corey Christiansen and Darmon Meader of the *New York Voices*. Trey has performed at the Montreux Jazz Festival; Jazz A Vienne; the International Festival of University Theatre of

Casablanca Morocco; the World Sacred Music Festival in Bangalore, India; and in Montepulciano, Italy. As a solo guitarist and with his trio, Trey has been a featured performer at the Athens Music and Arts Festival, the Lake Oconee Jazz Festival, and the Atlanta Jazz Festival. In early 2008, Trey began playing with the Georgia Symphony Jazz Orchestra.

In December of 2002, Trey completed a Master of Music degree in Jazz Studies at Georgia State University and he currently teaches Applied Jazz Guitar, Jazz Theory and Composition, Jazz Guitar Ensemble, Jazz History, Jazz Improvisation and The History of Rock at Kennesaw State University. Trey has also taught at LaGrange College, Gainesville College, the Atlanta Institute of Music and Media, and was a Jazz Artist in Residence at the University of Georgia. In addition, Trey writes a column on Jazz Harmony for the Guitar for the quarterly print magazine, *Just Jazz Guitar*.

In 2006, Trey released his first CD, *Where I'm Calling From*, receiving rave reviews and airplay throughout the United States, New Zealand, England, Australia, Germany, Italy, Canada, Luxembourg, Scotland and the Netherlands. The Trey Wright Trio released *Thinking Out Loud* in the summer of 2009 on Blue Canoe Records. In 2010, The CD was included in the first round Grammy Nominations for *Best Jazz Instrumental Album*. In the Fall of 2012, the Trey Wright Trio's version of Thom Yorke's "Analyze" was included on the compilation *Head Radio Retransmissions: A Tribute to Radiohead* on the German label ESC records. Trey's long awaited collaboration with Grammy winning saxophonist Mace Hibbard *The Hibbard/Wright Project* was released to rave reviews in May 2013 and Trey's most recent release, *Songs From Oak Avenue*, was released on Blue Canoe Records in Spring 2015.



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Todd Skitch, *Flute*  
Christina Smith, *Flute*  
Cecilia Price, *Flute, Chamber Music*  
Barbara Cook, *Oboe*  
Elizabeth Koch Tiscione, *Oboe*  
John Warren, *Clarinet, Chamber Music*  
Andrew Brady, *Bassoon*  
Sam Skelton, *Saxophone*  
Luke Weathington, *Saxophone*

### Brass & Percussion

Doug Lindsey, *Trumpet, Chamber Music*  
Ryan Moser, *Trumpet*  
Mike Tiscione, *Trumpet*  
Jason Eklund, *Horn*  
Richard Williams, *Horn*  
Tom Gibson, *Trombone*  
Nathan Zgonc, *Trombone*  
Brian Hecht, *Bass Trombone*  
Jason Casanova, *Tuba / Euphonium*  
Paul Dickinson, *Tuba / Euphonium*  
Marja Kerney, *Percussion*  
John Lawless, *Percussion*

### Strings

Helen Kim, *Violin*  
Kenn Wagner, *Violin, Chamber Music*  
Stephen Majeske, *Orchestral Studies*  
Catherine Lynn, *Viola*  
Paul Murphy, *Viola*  
Charae Krueger, *Cello*  
James Barket, *Double Bass*  
Joseph McFadden, *Double Bass*  
Elisabeth Remy Johnson, *Harp*  
Mary Akerman, *Classical Guitar*

### Voice

Jessica Jones	Valerie Walters
Eileen Moremen	Todd Wedge
Oral Moses	Jana Young
Nathan Munson	

### Piano

Judith Cole, *Collaborative Piano*  
Erika Tazawa, *Collaborative Piano*  
Julie Coucheron  
Robert Henry  
Huu Mai  
John Marsh

### Jazz

Justin Chesarek, *Jazz Percussion*  
Wes Funderburk, *Jazz Trombone, Jazz Ensembles*  
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Tyrone Jackson, *Jazz Piano*  
Marc Miller, *Jazz Bass*  
Sam Skelton, *Jazz Ensembles*  
Rob Opitz, *Jazz Trumpet*  
Trey Wright, *Jazz Guitar, Jazz Combos*

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Georgia Youth Symphony Orchestra and Chorus  
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Summit Piano Trio  
KSU Community and Alumni Choir



# about the school of music



Welcome to the Bailey Performance Center!

The School of Music at Kennesaw State University is an exciting place! We have a wonderful slate of performances planned for this year's *Signature Series*, and if you have not yet purchased your season tickets, I encourage you to do so as soon as possible. The Atlanta Symphony returns again this year as well as a wonderful slate of other performances.

The Dr. Bobbie Bailey & Family Performance Center is celebrating its 10th Anniversary Season this year. When this building opened in October of 2007, it was transformational for the School of Music and for KSU! It continues to be a jewel in our crown and musicians from around the world love to perform here because of the wonderful acoustic properties of Morgan Hall.


We would love to have you join us the weekend of October 7th-8th. We will have an alumni recital on the 7th and a grand celebration Sunday afternoon October 8th, with full choir and orchestra to celebrate all this Center has meant to us these past 10 years! In honor of the Bailey 10th Anniversary, we will officially launch our *Name a Seat Campaign* during our celebration in October. What a wonderful way to honor a loved one or to provide for future programming for Morgan Hall.


I look forward to a long and rewarding relationship with you. With your continued support of music and the arts, I look forward to all that we will accomplish together!


A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Stephen W. Plate".


Stephen W. Plate, DMA  
Director, KSU School of Music

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