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This document, a supplement to a recital; contains biographical, historical, analytical, and performance-related information about the works that are on the program. Chapters are arranged chronologically according to their historical period, and feature the following composers/works:

Alonso de Mudarra's *Fantasia que contrahaze la harpa en la manera de Ludovico* from *Tres libros de musica en cifras para vihuela*; François Couperin's *La Convalescente* from *Pièces de clavecin*; Johann Sebastian Bach's *Preludio, Fuga, y Allegro* BWV 998; Isaac Albéniz's *Granada* from *Suite Española Op. 47*; Manuel de Falla's *Homenaje: Pièce de Guitare Écrite pour le Tombeau de Claude Debussy*; William Walton's *Bagatelle II* and *Bagatelle III Alla Cubana* from *5 Bagatelles for Guitar*; and Joseph Breznikar's Etude 3 *Free-Form Fugue*, Etude 8 *Reflective Repetitions*, and Etude 11 *Shimmering Streams* from *Twelve American Etudes for guitar*. The works feature a variety of musical elements, and their technical aspects of performance include: tremolo, tambora, right hand arpeggio formula, natural and artificial harmonics, glissando, and upper-register playing.

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