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BIOGRAPHY FOR CONCERT PROGRAM

Douglas Niedt, Guitarist

A native of St. Louis, Mr. Niedt began his study of the guitar at the age of seven with his father, an amateur guitarist. He later polished his playing to gem-like brilliance through studies at the Juilliard School and the Segovia Master Classes in Spain, and with Christopher Parkening, Narciso Yepes, and Jorge Morel.

He made his New York debut at the age of twenty-one in Carnegie Recital Hall. Since then he has appeared before enthusiastic audiences across the country, prompting one critic to write, "Mr. Niedt is not only a brilliant master of his instrument, but a performer of great sensitivity. The wealth of sound and the dynamic finesse which he elicits from the guitar promise to make him a worthy companion of the few great guitarists such as Andres Segovia and Julian Bream."

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He has two fabulous CDs, *Pure Magic*, and his Christmas CD titled *In Heavenly Peace*.

His performance video, *Douglas Niedt--American Virtuoso*, is distributed by Mel Bay Publications. Many of his arrangements are published in two music folios, *Virtuoso Visions* and *Classic Guitar Artistry*.

His new book is titled *How to Make a Million Dollars Playing the Guitar*. It is a no-nonsense guitarist's guide to making a good living in the music business while also achieving personal fulfillment.

All of his CDs, DVD, and books are available on Douglas' official website, www.DouglasNiedt.com.

Recognized for his excellence in teaching, he is head of the guitar program of the Conservatory of Music and Dance, University of Missouri at Kansas City.

Program Credits:

Douglas Niedt plays a Jose Ramirez guitar (1973), by Sherry-Brener Ltd., Chicago, IL

Douglas Niedt's recordings, video, and published music are available for sale on the Official Douglas Niedt Website at: www.DouglasNiedt.com

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