

# CAPPRICHO

A one-hour solo programme by Robert Bekkers

Etude no. 7	H. Villa-Lobos (1887 -1959)
El Catédral	A. Barrios-Mangore (1885 - 1944)
movement from El Decameron Noir	L. Brouwer (b. 1939)
Chaconne	J. S. Bach (1685 - 1750)
one of Five Bagatelles	W. Walton (1902 - 1983)
Quatre Piezas Breves	F. Martin (1890 - 1974)
Cappricho Diabolico	M. Castelnuovo-Tedesco (1895 - 1968)



Based in Utrecht, widely considered the centre of the Netherlands, Robert Bekkers is active as a soloist and ensemble musician, performing regularly throughout the country. Robert started his musical education at an early age and acquired training on various instruments before choosing the guitar at age 12. After obtaining his diploma in electronics, he spent the next seven years at the [Conservatory of Maastricht](#) where he earned his teaching and performance degrees in classical guitar. During this time, he also studied contemporary music with [Angelo Gilardino](#) in Italy on a full scholarship.

Robert's musical curriculum has spanned a wide range of genres, with classical guitar as the centrepiece. Parallel to his performing career, he has been a songwriter, arranger, composer, producer, and sound engineer, most recently at the 3rd [Cortona Contemporary Music Festival](#) in Italy. To satisfy his curiosity in flamenco music, he accompanied flamenco dance classes and then formed the group "IMPETU" consisting of 9 musicians who played his arrangements mixing classical music with flamenco rhythm and styles. He has performed throughout

Europe with the mariachi band [Serenata Mexicana](#) and Amstel Guitar Quartet which he co-founded with [Erik Otte](#). For more than ten years, Robert was the guitarist and bass player of the [Berdien Stenberg Orchestra](#) which toured the Netherlands, Belgium, Indonesia, Curacao, and Oman.

After the 40-day coast-to-coast concert tour of mainland USA in 2010 with his piano guitar duo, Robert heads east from Maui to Boston in mid-February 2011 on a solo guitar concert tour. Plans for the near future include multi-disciplinary research on the training of guitarists for speed and volume as well as publishing his many sought-after arrangements for piano guitar duo, violin and guitar, guitar duo, guitar quartets, and other guitar plus works.

## ROBERT BEKKERS REPERTOIRE LIST

### GUITAR SOLO:

**Isaac Albéniz:** Suite Español, **Johan Sebastian Bach:** Luite suite nr 1 & 4, BWV 998, BWV 1001, BWV 1007. **Augustin Barrios:** Waltz 3 & 4, La Cathedral, Ultimo Tremolo, **Lennox Berkeley:** Theme and Variations, **Leo Brouwer:** Fugue, Decameron Noir, **Hector Dodgson-Quine:** 20 studies, **Carlo Domeniconi:** Koyunbaba, **Enrique Granados:** Suite Español, **Mauro Giuliani:** Studies, Grande Sonata, Different works, **Antonio Lauro:** El Marabino, Vals No 1 - 3, **Federico Moreno-Torroba:** Sonatina, **Mario Castelnuovo Tedesco:** Cappricho Diabolico, **Astor Piazzolla:** Adios Nonino, **Joaquin Rodrigo:** Tres Piezas Españolas, Invocación y Danza, **Fernando Sor:** Studies, **Francisco Tarréga:** Cappricho Arabe, María, Recuerdos de la Alhambra, Lagrima, **Joaquin Turina:** Fandanguillo, Nocturne **Heitor Villa-Lobos:** 12 Etudes, 5 Preludes, Mazurka Choro, Scottish Choro, Choros No. 1, **William Walton:** Five Bagatelles.....

### GUITAR CONCERTOS:

**Paco Peña:** Missa Flamenca, **Joaquin Rodrigo:** Concierto de Aranjuez, Concierto Para Un Gentil Hombre, **Mario Castelnuovo Tedesco:** Concierto no. Romancero Gitano, **Antonio Vivaldi:** Concierto in D, Four Seasons, **Heitor Villa-Lobos:** Concierto No. 1

### PIANO AND GUITAR:

**Henk Alkema:** Sailor talk, **Johann Amon,** Serenade Op. 123, No. 1, **Johann Sebastian Bach:** Badinerie **Ferdinando Carulli:** Sonata 1 & 2, Variazionen uber ein tema von "Die Zauberflöte", Variazione Op. 167, Grand Duo Op. 70 **Gijs van Dijk:** Abstract and Dance, **David Dramm:** Post zero Roll, **Mauro Giuliani:** Rondo 1 & 2, Variazionen Op. 113 (65), Duo Concertant, Grand Potpourri National, **David Harvey:** Little Suite, **Hans Haug:** Fantasia, **Johann Nepomuk Hummel:** Potpourri Op. 53, **Joke Kegel:** 7 Haikus, **Lan-Chee Lam:** Drizzle, **Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart:** Eine Kleine Nachtmusic, Piano Concerto k448, **Erik Otte:** Suite Rio de la Plata, **Marcella Pavia:** Kuntur, **Manuel M. Ponce:** Sonata, **Alan Segall:** When JS Bach, Igor Stravinsky and The Who Met, **Mario Castelnuovo Tedesco:** Fantasia, **Federico Moreno Torroba:** Sonatina, **Heleen Verleur:** Fire

### GUITAR AND VIOLIN OR FLUTE:

**Johan Sebastian Bach:** Air, **Charles Gounod:** Thais, **Jacques Ibert:** Entr'act, **Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart:** Clarinet Concerto, **Francesco Molino:** Sonatine, **Mario Castelnuovo Tedesco:** Sonatina, **Astor Piazzolla:** Histoire du Tango, Libertango.....

### GUITAR AND VOICE:

**Manuel de Falla:** Siete Canciones, **Charles Gounod:** Avé Maria, **Garcia Lorca:** Canciones, **Enrique Granados:** Tonadillas, **Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart:** Opera Arias, **Franz Schubert:** Avé Maria, **Heitor Villa Lobos:** Bachiana Brasilieras no. 5....

### GUITAR DUOS:

**Johann Sebastian Bach:** Inventionen, Air, **Ludwig van Beethoven:** Adagio, **Fernando Sor:** L'encouragement, **Gabriel Fauré:** Pavane, **Mauro Giuliani:** Variazioni Concertant, **Manuel De Falla:** Spanish Dance, **Edvard Grieg:** Peer Gynt Suite no.1, **Pierre Petit:** Tarentelle, **Peter Ilvitch Tshajkovski:** Nutcracker Suite....

Press photos: <http://www.pianoguitar.com/press/robert.htm>

Bekkers Piano Guitar Duo website: <http://www.pianoguitar.com>

### Videos of Robert Bekkers live in concert:

- A. Barrios-Mangore Ultimo Tremolo: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VYvR20WnStQ> Voorschoten, NL
- JS Bach Chaconne: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jaB6qMZr1JE> Houston, TX
- F. Tarrega Recuerdos Al'hambra: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LRWIZmezK-g> London, UK

### Radio interviews:

KUHF Houston Public Radio The Front Row 31 Dec 2010:

[http://app1.kuhf.org/houston\\_public\\_radio-news-display.php?articles\\_id=1294270213](http://app1.kuhf.org/houston_public_radio-news-display.php?articles_id=1294270213)

KPFT Houston Pacifica Radio Living Arts 12 Nov 2010: <http://www.pianoguitar.com/usa/kpft.mp3>

KUHF Houston Public Radio The Front Row 17 Dec 2007:

[http://www.kuhf.org/site/News2?page=NewsArticle&id=22540&news\\_iv\\_ctrl=1202](http://www.kuhf.org/site/News2?page=NewsArticle&id=22540&news_iv_ctrl=1202)