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GUEST ARTIST RECITAL SERIES

VLADISLAV BLAHA

GUITAR

KATZIN CONCERT HALL
Monday, March 4, 2002 • 7:30 p.m.



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Vladislav Blaha studied at the Brno Conservatoire with Arnost Sadlik before going to the Liszt College of Music in Weimar, Germany, where he graduated as a student of Roland Zimmer. Masterclasses with Costas Cotsiolis, Abel Carlevaro and, with the aid of British Council Fellowship, study in England with Gordon Crosskey (Royal Northern College of Music) and John W. Duarte in London completed his formal learning.

Mr. Blaha achieved international recognition as winner in four international guitar competitions in: Volos/Greece, Esztergom/Hungary, Kutna Hora/Czech Republic and Markneukirchen / Germany. He received the bronze medal in the Radio France International Competition in Paris.

Now, he is Professor of Guitar at the conservatory in Brno and he frequently gives masterclasses and performs in international festivals. Additionally, he is President of Czech Classical Guitar Society and, since 1992, he has been Director of the International Guitar Festival in BRNO.

Mr. Blaha has given concerts in most European countries in addition to the U.S. In 1996 he obtained Honorary Citizenship of the city of Dallas/, Asia and Latin America. His richness of expression, together with his brilliant virtuosity and stylish interpretation give cause for much critical acclaim throughout the musical world. Mr. Blaha's repertoire ranges from the Renaissance to the avant-garde. Twenty-seven composers from 16 countries have been so inspired by Blaha's performances, that they have dedicated works to him.

PROGRAM

Two Sonatas Niccoló Paganini
E Minor, No. 6, Op. 3 (1782-1840)
A Major, No. 1, Op. 3

Cithara poetica Jan Novák
Ad apollinem - Ad faunum - Threnus et (1921-1984)
quintillium - Ad Melophenen - Ad Mercurium

Moraviana, Op. 142 John W. Duarte
(V. Blaha dedicated 2001) (b. 1918)

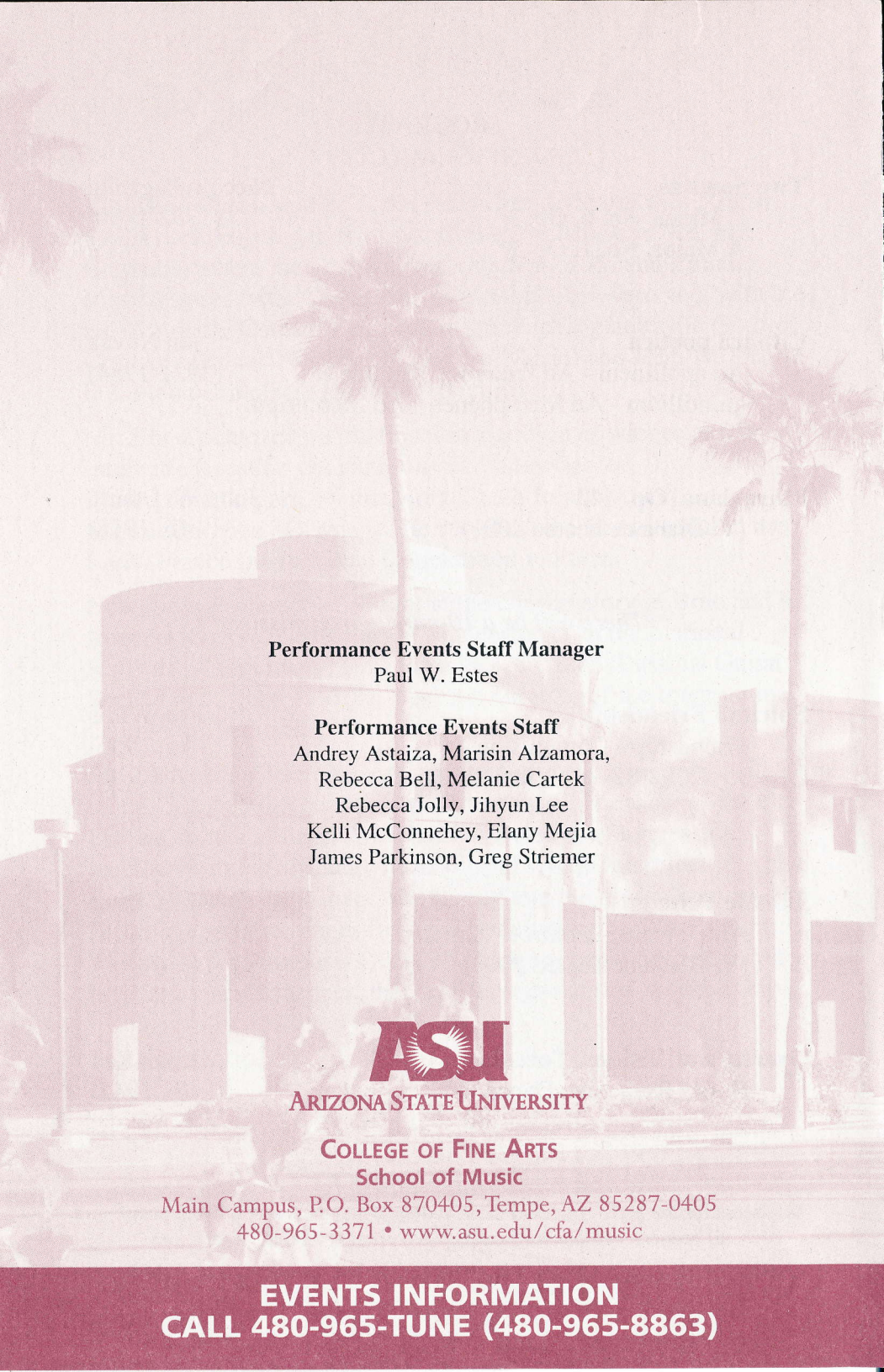
There will be a 10-minute intermission

Spirit of Friendship Rex Willis
Friendship - Compassion - (b. 1956)
Joy/2002-02-22 - Vladislav Blaha

Jumble Suite Milan Tesar
Aria - Waltz - Foxtrot - Jumble (b. 1938)
(V. Blaha dedicated 2000)

Overture of Visions, Toccata Stepan Rak
Hora - Romanian Dance (b. 1945)

In respect for the performers and those audience members around you, please turn all beepers, cell phones, watches to their silent mode. Thank you.



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