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KEVIN VIGIL PERFORMS for WGS on August 5

WGS president, Kevin Vigil will be performing for the August 5 program of the Washington Guitar Society. His performance will be dedicated to guitar maker Thomas Rein who is leaving the Washington, DC area and is relocating in St. Louis. Kevin currently plays one of Rein's instruments and would like to show his appreciation with this farewell performance. (For more information about Thomas Rein, see interview on page 3).

Kevin will be playing works by Andrew York, Heitor Villa-Lobos, Y. Yocoh, Kevin Vigil and others. He will also give the world premiere of his most recent solo piece *Sardis*.

This performance will take place on Saturday, August 5 at 2 p.m. at the Bethesda Public Library, 7400 Arlington Rd., Bethesda, MD. Admission is FREE and open to the public.

Since completing his formal studies in 1990, Kevin Vigil has become widely recognized as a performer, composer and teacher. His articles have been published in international guitar journals such as *Soundboard* and the *European Guitar Teachers Association Journal* as well as others. He has performed on television and radio as well as numerous recitals as a soloist and chamber musician.

Kevin holds a B.M. from the University of Memphis, where he studied under John Stover and a M.M. from Yale University, where he was the student and teaching assistant of Benjamin Verdery. He also spent a summer studying with guitarist/composer David Leisner at the Bodo Music Festival.

Kevin is currently a very active guitarist in the Washington, DC area. He performs frequently as a soloist and chamber musician as well as being a member of Duo Con Brio with his wife, Barbara (flute/piccolo). He teaches on the faculty of Northern Virginia Community College (Manassas) as well as privately in studios at The Guitar Shop (Washington, DC) and Springfield Music Center (Springfield, VA).

"His competence as a technician and ease of playing take a backseat to his compositional brilliance as a wordless storyteller. Like all the best music, you need not be a musician to hang on every word (oops!) note." **John Stix, Guitar FTPM**

"a very gifted classical guitarist and interesting composer..."
Guitar Player Magazine

"Modern classical guitar exemplified in bold, new music."
Notes on Call

"Natural, both technically and conceptually."
Efrin Tinoco, FM 90 WEVL (Memphis)

"As a classical guitarist, Vigil may play the Boy Scout to his road-bashed, Alice Cooper look-alikes on the magazine page. But when it come to the fretboard of his guitar, his fingers dance with the best..." **Chris Lasonde, The Potomac News**



KEVIN VIGIL, Guitar

Kevin Vigil performs for WGS August program.

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