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## **PRESS RELEASE**

*EuroStrings – the European Guitar Festival Collaborative*

is pleased to announce

### **HARMONIA CORDIS INTERNATIONAL GUITAR FESTIVAL 2019**

**6–11 August 2019**

The 14th Harmonia Cordis International Guitar Festival 2019 in Târgu-Mureş, Romania,  
will feature *SIX* EuroStrings Artists:

**Hart Gábor**, Hungary  
**Peter Graneis**, Germany  
**Dimitris Soukaras**, Greece

**Radu Vâlcu**, Romania  
**Zuzanna Wężyk**, Poland  
**You Wu**, China

### **Concerts**

#### **Tuesday 6 August 2019**

**Gábor Hart** – solo

**Gábor Hart with Radu Vâlcu quartet**

**Radu Vâlcu quartet**: guitar, violin, piano and percussion

will play in the **Opening Concert** at medieval fortress of Târgu-Mureş, 19.00

#### **Wednesday 7 August 2019**

Masterclasses: **EuroStrings Artists** at University of Art, Târgu-Mureş, 10.00–13.00

**Gábor Hart and Peter Graneis** at Museum, Odorheiu Secuiesc, 18.00

#### **Thursday 8 August 2019**

**Judicaël Perroy** gives masterclasses to the EuroStrings Artists  
at Small Concert Hall, Cultural Palace, Târgu-Mureş, 10.00

**EuroStrings Artists** in Hospital, Child cardiology, 16.00

**You Wu** at Museum, Odorheiu Secuiesc, 18.00

#### **Friday 9 August 2019**

**Marco Tamayo** gives masterclasses to the EuroStrings Artists  
at Small Concert Hall, Cultural Palace, Târgu-Mureş, 10.00

**EuroStrings Artists** in nursing homes/orphanage, 16.00

**Zuzanna Wężyk and Dimitris Soukaras** at Museum, Odorheiu Secuiesc, 18.00

#### **Saturday 10 August 2019**

Concert Hall, Cultural Palace, Târgu-Mureş, 19.00

Featuring: **Dimitris Soukaras, You Wu, Zuzanna Wężyk, Peter Graneis,**

**EuroStrings Artist Guitar Quartet** with Dimitris Soukaras, You Wu, Zuzanna Wężyk and Peter Graneis

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### About the EuroStrings Artists

The EuroStrings Artists are a selected group of young professionals, winners of international competitions, which took place at the various EuroStrings Platform member festivals. These artists are awarded a year-long touring programme, focusing on festival visits within Europe, following a carefully curated programme, including the creation of audience development opportunities – the EuroStrings Curriculum.

**Gábor Hart** has been working at the Szeged National Theatre since 2016, playing not only classical guitar but also electric guitar and sometimes even banjo. This varied background brings him success at international classical guitar competitions.

**Peter Graneis** has completed a Masters degree at the Royal Conservatory in The Hague. He performs as part of Yehudi Menuhin's Live Music Now scheme and recorded his first CD, *Portraits* in 2017.

**Dimitris Soukaras** is presently a Masters student at the Royal Academy of Music, London. Among his recent competition successes, he won First Prize at the 2018 Mottola International Guitar Competition and Festival. Dimitris is also interested in music composition, especially for the theatre. Since 2016, he has been cooperating with the Theatrical Organization of Hiliomodi at Corinth (Greece) and has already composed music for three theatre productions.

**Radu Vălcu** began playing the violin but soon

switched to the classical guitar, to which he has become devoted, and this devotion has led him to win many awards for his playing.

**Zuzanna Węzyk** was born in Gdańsk in Poland where she started playing guitar at the age of seven. In June 2018, she completed her Bachelor of Arts degree, studying with the Marco Diaz-Tamayo at Mozarteum University Salzburg in Austria. She is currently based in London, where she is working on her Master's degree in Composing For Film and TV at Kingston University in London.

**You Wu** was born in 1993 in Lishu, China. After graduating from the Shanghai Conservatory of Music, he was accepted by the guitar programme in University of Music and Performing Arts Vienna, where he continues to study with Prof. Alvaro Pierri. You Wu has won multiple awards and has had a scholarship from Thyll Durr Foundation in Switzerland since 2015.

For full **EuroStrings Artists profiles**, visit: <https://eurostrings.eu/young-stars/eurostrings-artists-of-2018-2019/>

### EuroStrings Scholarship

EuroStrings offers the opportunity for a young guitarist of modest means to attend one of the **17 EuroStrings festivals**, where in addition to attending concerts, they participate in workshops, masterclasses and outreach activities. The **EuroStrings Scholarship** to attend the **Harmonia Cordis International Guitar Festival 2019** has been awarded to the young guitarist **Nino D'Amico**.

**EuroStrings**, which is co-funded by the Creative Europe Programme of the European Union, is proud to be a part of the Harmonia Cordis International Guitar Festival and Competition 2019 from 6–11 August 2019. EuroStrings is the **first global collaborative platform of Classical Guitar Festivals**, focusing on fostering European musical excellence. It is an ever-expanding collaboration of **17 European Festival partners with global partners in the USA and Asia**. EuroStrings fosters excellence in musicianship, outreach work within the community, the creation of audience development opportunities, networking and, last but not least, world-class education for emerging young guitarists.

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### About Harmonia Cordis International Guitar Festival 2019

The featured artists at this year's Harmonia Cordis International Guitar Festival 2019 are:

- flamenco guitarist **Vicente Amigo and his quintet** (Sunday 11 August, 20.00, medieval fortress of Târgu-Mureş)
- **Stochelo Rosenberg and Antal Pusztai** (Tuesday 6 August, 19.00, medieval fortress of Târgu-Mureş)
- **Gabriel Bianco** in duo with **Michaela Hrabankova (oboe)** (Wednesday 7 August, 19.00, Cultural Palace)
- **Gabriel Guillén, István Ferenc Beke; Atanas Ourkouzounov and Mie Ogura (flute)** (Thursday 8 August, 19.00, Cultural Palace)
- guitar duo of **Dávid Orosz and Gliga Tudor**; guitar duo of **Péter Girán and András Csáki; Judicaël Perroy** (Friday 9 August, 19.00, Cultural Palace)
- **Marco Tamayo** (Saturday 10 August, 19.00, Cultural Palace).

For the **complete programme**, please visit [www.harmoniaccordis.org](http://www.harmoniaccordis.org)

### About Harmonia Cordis International Guitar Festival and *Competition*

The Harmonia Cordis Association was established in 2007 in order to organise cultural events involving music. In that same year, it held its first Harmonia Cordis International Guitar Festival in Târgu Mureş, Romania, which was so successful it has become an annual festival each August. The Harmonia Cordis Association organises two other guitar festivals in Romania during the year, and broadcasts its most important events live (see <http://harmoniaccordis.org/live>).

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**International Guitar Festival**

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