

DUENDE SAXOPHONE AND GUITAR DUO

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Biography

Duende is an exciting duo based in Cleveland, OH which combines the sounds of the classical guitar and the saxophone. A collaboration between saxophonist Ethan Miller and guitarist Krystin O'Mara, Duende frequently performs on established concert series throughout the United States including concerts at the US Navy Band International Saxophone Symposium, Kent State University, the Cleveland Classical Guitar Society's Local Artist and Rising Stars series, and Baldwin-Wallace College's Summer Garden Series at Playhouse Square. Their first CD, "Travel Notebook" was released on Centaur Records in 2016. Through creative programming, Duende represents a fresh, new direction in contemporary classical music. The group's musical philosophy is derived from traditional Flamenco terminology in which "duende" is defined as having soul, a heightened state of emotion, and authenticity. Duende performs a mixture of traditional classical repertoire, contemporary compositions, and works with spanish, flamenco, jazz, brazilian, and world music influences. This vibrant variety allows Duende to perform highly entertaining, dynamic performances with a focus of audience accessible repertoire.