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THE GRAND CANYON MUSIC FESTIVAL PRESENTS

The 36th Season

August 23 - September 7, 2019

The Newman & Oltman Guitar Duo

Grand Canyon National Park Centennial Celebration

On August 23 and 24, 2019, the Grand Canyon Music Festival kicks-off its 36th season and Canyon National Park Centennial Celebrations with performances by The Newman & Oltman Guitar Duo with Clare Hoffman, flute, and Robert Bonfiglio, harmonica.

What: Grand Canyon Music Festival 36th Season Opening Weekend

Who: The Newman & Oltman Guitar Duo with Clare Hoffman, flute, and Robert Bonfiglio, harmonica.

When: August 23 and 24, 2019, 7:30 p.m.,

Where: Shrine of the Ages, Grand Canyon South Rim

Guitar phenom Michael Newman has been a part of the Grand Canyon Music Festival's story since it's beginning, when he joined the festival's founders, Clare Hoffman and Robert Bonfiglio, in a benefit concert in New York City to raise funds for the festival's inaugural season in 1983. Since then Michael Newman and Laura Oltman have established the Newman & Oltman Guitar Duo as a chamber ensemble of world renown. A "revelation to hear" – The Washington Post

Join them, along with festival founders, flutist Clare Hoffman and harmonica virtuoso Robert Bonfiglio, for two evenings of music featuring **Cuban legend Leo Brouwer's New Guitar Duet, *El Libro de los Seres Imaginarios (The Book of The Imaginary Beings)*, a tribute to Argentine author Jorge Luis Borges, composed for the Newman & Oltman Guitar Duo, part of Brouwer's 80th birthday international celebration for 2019, with readings from Jorge Luis Borges's descriptions of the Beings.**

There will also be performances of past favorites, like Katherine Hoover's *Canyon Echos*, and music by John Williams, Jacques Ibert, Heiter Villa-Lobos, Manuel de Falla, Pablo de Sarasate, and Francisco Tárrega.

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