

# Ronn McFarlane

## LUTENIST

GRAMMY-nominated lutenist, Ronn McFarlane strives to bring the lute into today's musical mainstream and make it accessible to a wider audience. At thirteen, upon hearing "Wipeout" by the Surfaris, he fell madly in love with music and taught himself to play on a "cranky sixteen dollar steel string guitar." He graduated with honors from Shenandoah Conservatory and continued guitar studies at Peabody Conservatory before turning his full attention and energy to the lute in 1978. The next year, Mr. McFarlane began to perform solo recitals on the lute and became a member of the Baltimore Consort. Since then, he has toured throughout the United States, Canada and Europe with the Baltimore Consort and as a soloist. McFarlane was a faculty member of the Peabody Conservatory from 1984 to 1995, teaching lute and lute-related subjects. In 1996, Mr. McFarlane was awarded an honorary Doctorate of Music from Shenandoah Conservatory for his achievements in bringing the lute and its music to the world. He has over 35 recordings on the Dorian/Sono Luminus label, including solo albums, lute duets, flute & lute duets, lute songs, the complete lute music of Vivaldi, a collection of Elizabethan lute music and poetry, and recordings with the Baltimore Consort. He has composed new music for the lute, building on the tradition of the lutenist/composers of the past centuries.



## Sunday, August 13th at 3:00 pm

A Free Will Offering To Be Collected

Reception To Follow In The Fellowship Hall

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