

DUO MANTAR

to Premiere Avner Dorman's Double Concerto in 2022



Adam Levin, Guitar

Jacob Reuven, Mandolin

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Duo Mantar – comprised of mandolinist Jacob Reuven and guitarist Adam Levin – is thrilled to perform the world premiere of award-winning composer Avner Dorman's new Double Concerto with the Raanana Symphonette Orchestra (Israel) in September 2022. Written specifically for Duo Mantar, the Double Concerto is exemplary of Dorman's ongoing exploration of the mandolin and guitar, following his popular, GRAMMY-nominated Mandolin Concerto (2006) and *How to Love* for guitar and string quartet (2016).

The Double Concerto is a musically multicultural work, drawing on influences from Israeli music, traditional classical composition, and jazz. Reuven and Levin have each respectively graced the world's largest stages and bring their thorough knowledge and passion for Israeli music to this groundbreaking premiere and following performances.

Both Reuven and Levin are passionate advocates for new works, actively expanding the repertoire for mandolin and guitar by continually commissioning new music from established and emerging composers from all around the world. In June 2021, Duo Mantar released its Billboard Charting (No. 1) debut album, *Music from the Promised Land*, on the Naxos Label featuring newly commissioned and arranged music by Israeli composers. With Dorman's Double Concerto, Duo Mantar is set to take their ongoing collaborative work with multicultural composers and bring it to the big stages around the world.



MUSIC FROM THE PROMISED LAND

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Artist Biographies

Avner Dorman

Avner Dorman writes music of intricate craftsmanship and rigorous technique, expressed with a soulful and singular voice. A native of Israel now living in the United States, Dorman draws on a variety of cultural and historical influences in composing, resulting in music that generates an emotional impact while exploring new territories. Dorman's music is championed by conductors including Zubin Mehta, Christoph Eschenbach, Ricardo Chailly, and Andris Nelsons, and by soloists such as Pinchas Zukerman, Gil Shaham, Martin Grubinger, and Hilary Hahn. He won the 2018 Azrieli Prize for Jewish Music, and his debut opera, *Wahnfried*, was named a finalist in the category of World Premiere at the International Opera Awards.

www.avnerdormanmusic.com

Duo Mantar

Duo Mantar is comprised of two virtuosos – American classical guitarist, Adam Levin, and Israeli mandolinist, Jacob Reuven. They have commissioned renowned composers including Avner Dorman, Josef Bardanashvili, Ittai Rosenbaum, Oren Lok, and Jan Freidlin. Duo Mantar's debut recording on the Naxos Label (June 2021) topped the Billboard Traditional Classical Album Chart with a US tour to follow. Upcoming engagements include a performance of all 8 seasons by Vivaldi and Piazzolla in the summer of 2022. Jacob performs on an Arik Kerman mandolin and Adam Levin performs on Stephan Connor and Dominique Field classical guitars.

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