

## **MEDIA AND SOUNDS**

**Sessions: Rhode Island** is an extraordinary musical journey, brought to life from the creative minds of directors Dr. Scott Borg and Adam Levin. Recorded in the heart of Rhode Island as part of the renowned URI Guitar and Mandolin Festival, this album brings together world-class musicians from across the globe, uniting diverse traditions through the universal language of plucked string instruments. These uniquely crafted recompositions capture the essence of these world cultures - the tranquil tones of the Japanese Koto, the heartfelt melodies of the Chinese Pipa, the vibrant and hypnotic instrumental layering of Javanese Gamelan, the soulful strains of Eastern European music and and the lively strumming and rhythms of the Irish fiddle. Sessions: Rhode Island transcends borders, blending rich cultural legacies into a harmonious whole. This album debuted at No.1 on the Billboard Classical Crossover Charts.

### [Kecapi Suling \(Java\) - Arranged for Mixed Ensemble by Scott Borg](#)

Simon Shaheen (Palestine) *Oud*, Jacob Reuven (Israel) *Mandolin*, Badi Assad (Brazil) *Vox*, Bridget Kibbey (USA) *Harp*, William Knuth (USA) *Violin*, René Izquierdo (Cuba) *Prepared Guitar*, Chinnawat Themkumkwun (Thailand) *Prepared Guitar*, Victor Main (USA) *Prepared Guitar*, Jim Davidson (USA) *Electric Guitar*, Adam Levin (USA) *Guitar*, Matthew Rohde (Mexico/USA) *Guitar*, Scott Borg (Australia/Malta) *Conductor and 8 String Guitar*

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### [Bacha Nagila \(Ukraine\) - Recomposed for Mixed Ensemble by Scott Borg](#)

Jacob Reuven (Israel) *Mandolin*, Silviu Ciulei (Romania) *Flamenco Guitar*, Mike Block *Cello* (USA), Badi Assad (Brazil) *Vox*, Derek Gripper (South Africa) *Guitar*, Jim Perona (USA) *Guitar*, Adam Levin (USA) *Guitar*, Matthew Rohde (Mexico/USA) *Guitar*, Victor Main (USA) *Prepared Guitar*, Jim Davidson (USA) *Prepared Guitar*, David Cobb (USA) *Bass*, Ramin Yazdanpanah (Iran) *Percussion and Didgeridoo*, Scott Borg (Australia/Malta) *Conductor and 8 String Guitar*

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### [Kudan for Two Kotos \(Japan\) - Recomposed for Mixed Ensemble by Scott Borg](#)

Jacob Reuven (Israel) *Mandolin*, Badi Assad (Brazil) *Vox*, Bridget Kibbey (USA) *Harp*, William Knuth (USA) *Violin*, René Izquierdo (Cuba) *Prepared Guitar*, Chinnawat Themkumkwun (Thailand) *Prepared Guitar*, Victor Main (USA) *Prepared Guitar*, Jim Davidson (USA) *Electric Guitar*, Adam Levin (USA) *Guitar*, Matthew Rohde (Mexico/USA) *Guitar*, Scott Borg (Australia/Malta) *Conductor and 8 String Guitar*

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### [View of A Village \(China\) - Recomposed for Mixed Ensemble by Scott Borg](#)

Jacob Reuven (Israel) *Mandolin*, Silviu Ciulei (Romania) *Flamenco Guitar*, Mike Block *Cello* (USA), Badi Assad (Brazil) *Vox*, Derek Gripper (South Africa) *Guitar*, Jim Perona (USA) *Guitar*, Adam Levin (USA) *Guitar*, Matthew Rohde (Mexico/USA) *Guitar*, Victor Main (USA) *Prepared Guitar*, Jim Davidson (USA) *Prepared Guitar*, David Cobb (USA) *Bass*, Ramin Yazdanpanah (Iran) *Percussion and Didgeridoo*, Scott Borg (Australia/Malta) *Conductor and 8 String Guitar*

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[Butterfly Jig \(Ireland\) - Recomposed for Mixed Ensemble by Scott Borg](#)

Jacob Reuven (Israel) *Mandolin*, Silviu Ciulei (Romania) *Flamenco Guitar*, Mike Block *Cello* (USA), Derek Gripper (South Africa) *Guitar*, Jim Perona (USA) *Guitar*, Adam Levin (USA) *Guitar*, Matthew Rohde (Mexico/USA) *Guitar*, Victor Main (USA) *Prepared Guitar*, Jim Davidson (USA) *Prepared Guitar*, David Cobb (USA) *Bass*, Ramin Yazdanpanah (Iran) *Percussion and Didgeridoo*, Scott Borg (Australia/Malta) *Conductor and 8 String Guitar*

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**Additional Sounds**

[Aragonesa and Cubana from Cuatro Pièzas Españolas by Manuel De Falla](#)

The Great Necks (Scott Borg, Adam Levin, Matthew Rohde). Recorded Live at Futura Productions for the 2021 Guitar Foundation of America Convention and Competition. (Online Version). The Album received the Bronze medal from the Global Music Awards.

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[Prelude XXIV by A. Scriabin. Arr. Borg](#)

The Great Necks (Scott Borg, Adam Levin, Matthew Rohde). Recorded Live at the Fine Arts Center, URI.

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[The Red Violin Caprices by J. Corigliano arr. Fisk](#)

Recorded Live in Jordan Hall, New England Conservatory, for the 2014 Boston GuitarFest

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[Zombie by the Cranberries arr. Borg](#)

Boston GuitarFest Orchestra. Recorded Live in Jordan Hall, New England Conservatory, for the 2015 Boston GuitarFest. Over 860K views on youtube.

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[Cadiz by I. Albéniz](#)

Recorded Live at the George Washington Memorial Temple, Alexandria, VA

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[Double Violin Concerto in D by J.S. Bach arr. G Nestor](#)

Recorded Live at Edwards Hall, URI Guitar Festival, South Kingston, RI. Jacob Reuven (Israel) *Mandolin*, Ekaterina Skliar (Russia) *Domra*, Dor Amran (Israel) *Mandola*, The Great Necks - Matthew Rohde (USA), *Guitar*, Adam Levin (USA) *Guitar*, Scott Borg (Australia/Malta) *Guitar*.