

# MATT WITHERS

**Australian Guitarist**



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Matt is an ambassador for Australian music, a well-established pedagogue, performer and mentor for musicians globally.

His career has seen him perform with esteemed artists including Sally Whitwell, Acacia Quartet, William Barton, and national orchestras whilst maintaining strong commitments in the leading Australian chamber music group Guitar Trek alongside Timothy Kain.

Matt has a strong history of performing, recording and commissioning Australian works from distinguished composers and his generational peers. With studio albums released on Naxos, ABC Classics and Soundset Recordings (USA), he thrives on reaching wider audiences.

His innovative activities include the creation of the Matt Withers Australian Music Composition Competition which gives an avenue of support for composers to have their music reach the ears and hearts of their audience. Matt has presented lectures in Europe on his passion The Entrepreneurial Guitarist to blossoming artists, eager to also find their niche in the musical world.

Matt has performed across the globe including being featured as a Rising Star at the World Expo in Shanghai (China). He has given showcase performances across Australia, New Zealand and Europe with highlights at embassies, universities, festivals and more. He has been invited as an adjudicator for major competitions including the Melbourne International Guitar Festival (Australia) and the Uppsala Guitar Festival (Sweden).

