

# The Asia International Guitar Festival & Competition 2018 @The Sukosol,Bangkok



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7 - 10 June, 2018

at Kamolmart Room, The Sukosol Hotel Bangkok

BANGKOK, Thailand (June, 2018) — The Sukosol Hotel and The Thailand Guitar Society in association with Savarez Strings are once again proud to present South-East Asia's finest assembly of international guitar players, makers and enthusiasts. Now in its twelfth illustrious year, the Asia International Guitar Festival & Competition is the biggest and most vibrant event for classical guitar aficionados and music lovers in the region. This year's agenda includes master classes, guitar exhibits, competitions and concerts by acclaimed world-class musicians hailing from around the globe. This event is sponsored by Siam Commercial Bank, Bangkok Bank, Goethe Institut, Visenut, Kohnomusic, Guitar Paradiso, Aranjuez Strings (official sponsor) and LACG.

A varied program sees four days of activities, each day culminating in a concert by one or more celebrated guitar maestros.

The event will also feature a guitar competition open to all, with the winner receiving a free guitar, case, string sets, certificate and performance rights at four prestigious events.

The full list of internationally-acclaimed guests include Gérard Abiton (France), Paul Cesarczyk (USA/Poland), Roberto Aussel (Argentina), Giovanni Grano (Italy), Luciano Pompilio (Italy), Ruben Parejo (Spain), Gen Matsuda (Japan), Bruno Pancek (France), Andres Madariaga (Chile), Huy Thanh Nguyen (Vietnam), Jorgos Panetsos (Austria), Anton Isselhardt (Germany), Woratep Rattanaumpawan (Thailand), Pongpat Pongpradit (Thailand), Ruttasart Weingsamoot (Thailand), Apichai Chantanakajornfung (Thailand).

All concerts are performed in The Sukosol's Kamolmart Room.

Evening concert tickets are Bht 600 for adults and Bht 400 for students (with valid I.D.), inclusive of coffee break. Afternoon concert tickets cost Bht 300 for all audiences, excluding coffee break. Observers of master classes and competitions pay Bht 200.

To book, please call 022-470-123, ext 1916-1918. For further details please go to <http://aigf.weebly.com/> or <http://www.facebook.com/pages/Asia-International-Guitar-Festival-and-Competition-Bangkok>.

Festival Program (Date & Time)

Thursday, 7th June 2018

08.00 Registration

10.00 Competition first round

17.00 Festival Opening and Free Concert by CGO (Classical Guitar Orchestra)

Conductor – Apichai Chantanakajornfung, Soloist – Gen Matsuda

20.00 Concert: Jorgos Panetsos, Gérard Abiton

(followed by announcement of the finalists competition)

Friday, 8th June 2018

09.30 Masterclass: Gérard Abiton, Ruben Parejo

14.00 Free Concert by Pongpat Pongpradit (guitar) & Anton Isselhardt (flute),

Rattasart Weingsamoot

16.00 Afternoon Concert: Andres Madariga, Bruno Pancek

18.00 Masterclass: Giovanni Grano

20.00 Concert: Luciano Pompilio, Gen Matsuda

Saturday, 9th June 2018

10.00 Junior Competition

14.00 Guitar Presentation & Guitar Recital by Woratep Rattana-umpawan & Billy Arcila

16.00 Afternoon Concert: Huy Thanh Nguyen, Paul Cesarczyk

20.00 Concert: Roberto Aussel

Sunday, 10th June 2018

09.30 Masterclass: Roberto Aussel

14.00 Competition Final

19.00 Concert: Ruben Parejo, Giovanni Grano

(followed by the announcement of the 2018 prize winners of the competitions and award ceremony)