

GUITAR - MM Program Outline

The Artist/Scholar

Year One:

Review of BM Applied Theory Topics Contrast Method of Improvisation Guitar Pedagogy Commercial Music Techniques and Applications Polyrhythms and Odd Meters Post-Romantic Harmony Mixed Motion Compositions

Legacy Project:

An intensive performance/research project concentrating on two or three *contrasting* players or composers OR one specific composer/player. Performance and analysis of transcriptions, or multiple works, final presentation of music performance and written analysis. Legacy performances must take place before graduation.

Year Two:

Composition for Guitar Solo Guitar Performance 20th Century Classical Repertoire Modality and Chromaticism Parallel Modal Compositions Variations on Coltrane Changes Atonal and Chromatic Music Effects and Sonics

Artistic Development Project:

Preparation of student choice program for performance and recording. Must contain at least some original material. Focus on developing artistic concept for guitar and group sound. This constitutes the Masters Recital.