

# Eric Garces, M.M.

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## Education

M.M. MASTER OF MUSIC: Guitar Performance  
Southern Methodist University / 2017 – 2019

B.A. BACHELOR OF ARTS IN MUSIC Concentration: Classical Guitar  
University of North Texas at Denton / 2011 – 2015

A.A. ASSOCIATE OF ARTS IN MUSIC Field of Study: Music  
Mountain View College / 2004 – 2010

## Honors and Awards

Alice Jones Berding Award in Music / 2008

## Teaching Experience

ADJUNCT PROFESSOR  
University of North Texas at Dallas/ August 2024 – PRESENT

- Adjunct professor of Music Appreciation and American Music at the University of North Texas at Dallas.
- Teaching the fundamentals of music, surveyed and examined in music literature, from Medieval music to the present day.

TEMPORARY FULL-TIME PROFESSOR  
Mountain View College / August 2021 – May 2023

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#### ADJUNCT PROFESSOR

Tarrant County College / August 2019 – PRESENT

- Adjunct professor of Music Appreciation and Guitar classes at Tarrant County College, Northeast campus
- Teaching the fundamentals of music, surveyed and examined in music literature, from Medieval music to the present

#### GUITAR INSTRUCTOR & TEACHING ASSISTANT

Southern Methodist University / August 2017 – May 2019

- Guitar instructor for group guitar classes aimed at beginner guitarists and those Minor in Music
- Teaching Assistant to renowned classical guitarist Professor Robert Guthrie
- Teaching the fundamentals of classical guitar-playing to non-Music Major college students beginning guitar
- Teaching private lessons to more experienced students minoring in Music, advancing students' aural skills and theoretical proficiency through practical disciplines

#### GUITAR INSTRUCTOR

RBR Muzik / October 2017 – October 2024

- Guitar instructor for group guitar class and private lessons from ages 6 to adult
- Teaching English and Spanish group guitar classes to children
- Preparing students for music competitions and auditions into competitive music programs
- Teaching private classical and electric guitar lessons in a one-on-one setting, applying Classical techniques to modern methods

#### GUITAR INSTRUCTOR

Music Kids Conservatory at Win Kids Learning Center / January 2014 – January 2021

- Teaching private instruction for acoustic, classical, and electric guitar to children ages 6 and above of all experience levels and abilities, including special needs students
- Tailoring curriculum with engaging and comprehensible methods personalized to students' learning style and abilities, including student with Autism
- Preparing students for annual recitals to showcase progress and advancement

#### GUITAR AND MUSIC INSTRUCTOR & RETAIL ASSISTANT

Music World / September 2012 – January 2014

- Educated students of all skill levels in music theory for classical and electric guitar
- Merged classical with contemporary techniques for modern approach to instruction
- Personalized lessons in Spanish to students with limited English
- Assisted music store customers with retail purchases and equipment inquiries
- Maintained relevant knowledge of all gear, accessories and brands carried in store

#### GUITAR AND MUSIC INSTRUCTOR

Mountain View College / Spring 2008 – Fall 2011

- Instructed Continuing Education group guitar classes to older adults with little-to-no background in music
- Fostered discipline in the development of new musical skills to beginner musicians
- Taught complex music theory concepts with simple, comprehensible methods

#### GUITAR TEACHER & PRAISE AND WORSHIP LEADER

C.A.F.E. Church / July 2011 – December 2011 & Summer 2010 – Spring 2017

- Taught educational music courses open to the community
- Tutored beginning-to-advanced students in sight-reading of musical score and guitar tablature

#### PRIVATE GUITAR INSTRUCTOR

Garcés Guitar Studio / Summer 2006 – Spring 2019

- Private guitar lessons spanning diverse genres, including but not limited to, Classical, Pop, Rock, Blues, Latin Jazz, Tejano, Flamenco, and Heavy/Progressive Metal
- Focus on development of Classical and practical technique and improvisatory skills
- Fostered unique objectives like songwriting and performance technique

## **Performances**

Composer's Recital

Tarrant County College / May 2025

Faculty Recital: Music Through the Centuries

Tarrant County College / November 2023

MEMORIAL PERFORMANCE FOR ROBERT GUTHRIE

Meadows School of the Arts at Southern Methodist University / May 2023

SONATA SOCIETY

Tarrant County College / Spring 2020

ELECTORAL RECITALS

Southern Methodist University / Spring & Fall 2018

Performed works by J.S. Bach, Sylvius Leopold Weiss, Domenico Scarlatti, Agustín Barrios Mangore, Joaquín Rodrigo, and Astor Piazzolla.

GRADUATE RECITAL

Southern Methodist University / Spring 2019

Performed works by John Dowland, Sylvius Leopold Weiss, J.S. Bach, Domenico Scarlatti, Fernando Sor, Agustín Barrios Mangore, Joaquin Rodrigo, Astor Piazzolla, and Leo Brouwer.

MISCELLANEOUS PUBLIC & PRIVATE PERFORMANCES

Various locations / 2001 – Present

PERFORMANCES WITH ENSEMBLES:

Meadows Guitar Ensemble / Fall 2017 – 2019

UNT Guitar Ensemble / Fall 2011 – 2014

MVC Latin Jazz Ensemble / Fall 2007 – 2010

MVC Guitar Ensemble / Fall 2006 – 2010

## **Master Classes:**

Active Participant of Master Classes and or Private Lessons with world-renowned artists:

Sergio Assad (Brazil)

Jason Vieaux (USA)

Robert Guthrie (USA)

Stephen A. Lochbaum (Canada)

Yoban Quijano (Columbia)

Enric Madriguera (USA)

## **Computer/Software Skills**

Proficient in Microsoft Office (Word, PowerPoint, Excel, Outlook)

Proficient with learning management systems (Blackboard, Canvas, and Brightspace D2L)

Proficient in music notation software, Finale

## **Other Skills**

-24 years Performance Experience

-17 Years Teaching Experience (Private & Group Instruction)

-Guitar Lutherie Apprenticeship

## **Languages**

Fluent in English & Spanish