

Two Latin Grammy Nominations for VC Composer Miguel del Aguila

Camarillo, Calif., Sept. 15, 2010 - The Latin Recording Academy announced its nominations for this year's Latin Grammy awards. Included among the nominees was composer Miguel del Aguila's CD: Salon Buenos Aires (Bridge Records), recorded by Camerata San Antonio in 2009. Aguila has lived in Ventura County since 1992 and teaches courses on music history and composition at the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute of California State University Channel Islands. He has written over a hundred published works and has been recognized with a long list of awards including the prestigious Kennedy Center Friedheim Award. His music is regularly performed and recorded worldwide, (Salon Buenos Aires is his 21st.CD). He is a graduate of San Francisco and Vienna conservatories.

"I am deeply honored to receive not one, but two, Latin Grammy nominations," said Miguel del Aguila. "I am also extremely proud to represent Ventura County and CSU Channel Islands in this way. "Clocks", which was nominated for Best Contemporary Work, was commissioned by Burns Taft for the Ventura Music Festival and premiered here".

Recorded 2008 in San Antonio, Texas, Salon Buenos Aires was released late 2009 by Bridge Records. Within months it was being broadcast regularly by classical radio stations worldwide and received enthusiastically by audiences and reviewers:

"This is vibrant, colorful music, often pulsating with a tremendous rhythmic vitality." Fanfare Magazine

"Miguel del Aguila's infectiously groove-laden and tuneworm saturated pieces mask their highly original maverick quirkiness." New Music Box

"Miguel del Aguila's chamber music is that rarest of things: unmistakably modern music built around a core of fundamental grace." CD Hotlist for Libraries

"Aguila's Latin American roots are apparent in this high energy ostinato-driven music, but there are also touches of the avant-garde, as well as a tongue in cheek approach that sends up South American culture. This is music that is fun to listen to and simply defies categorization, played with infectious high spirits by Camerata San Antonio" Bridge Records.

Additional information about Aguila can be found at www.migueldelaguila.com.

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