

Matthew Fagan (Australia) Lord of the Strings



From Bach to Beatles, Spanish to Blues to Led Zeppelin and Celtic Harp music on unique 10 string guitar, Lord of the Strings is the ultimate music journey packed with humour.

Come and experience Matthew Fagan's ultimate multi-instrumental and genre show **Lord of the Strings!** which has wowed fans all over the globe in over 120 countries. Matthew's shares behind the scene stories of life on the road with an extraordinary array of celebrities he has toured with, including **Billy Connolly, Michael Crawford, Shirley Bassey, Natalie Cole** and **The original Buena Vista Social Club**. Audience participation is encouraged in the zany Guitar Challenge where Matthew spontaneously performs a medley of audience guitar requests including some of his own, interspersed with a selection from 300 sounds from his guitar synth.

Music will be performed from the special album in the making **A Song for Billy** which will feature **Billy Connolly's** own banjo given to Matthew from Billy himself after their 53 night tour of Australia together. Billy was so impressed he said **'Matthew is the best Guest Artist I have ever had'**. A Song for Billy is a fundraising project for the album and Parkinsons Disease awareness, support and research to improve the life for people living with Parkinson's.

<https://igg.me/at/ASongforBilly/x/14481742>

Other music highlights include Matthew's virtuosic hit rendition of J S Bach's *Tocatta* on Celtic Steel String Guitar which featured on ABC TV in Australia. Tubular Bells for one with synths, loop pedals and guitar magic. Spanish, Celtic and Classical music from Matthew's American recordings *Virtuoso – A Homage to my Ancestors and Solstice*.

Matthew performs on a unique handmade 10 String Spanish Guitar, Celtic Steel String Guitar, Godin Nylon Synth Guitar, Maton Tenor Ukulele and Banjo.

'Matthew has a Latin Soul and we love his playing so much that we want to take him back home to Cuba' *Ibrahim Ferrer, Original Buena Vista Social Club*

'I felt mesmerized and drawn into his ultimate world of guitar as if I was playing along with him. His love for the audience is as great as his love for the guitar. Matthew performs with charisma and a gentle humour that people love. He is affectionate with the audience and wins them

Listings Information

Venue	C scala, venue 166, Edinburgh Festival Fringe
Dates	14-29 Aug
Time	21:10 (1h00)
Ticket prices	£8.50-£10.50 / concessions £6.50-£8.50 / children £4.50-£6.50
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