

There is no doubt that the ARTIS GuitarDuo has secured a permanent place in the international concert world. On stage their communication beyond words as well as their lively, emotional style of playing, create an intense, intimate atmosphere and turns a concert into a unique experience

True to the motto „the guitar is an orchestra“ both musicians cover the full color range of their instruments and play completely by heart. The result is a communication and liveliness on stage that leaves a lasting, deep impression.

Numerous invitations to international music festivals and concert tours took the duo as artists, teachers and jurors to Italy, Belgium, Lithuania, Slovenia, Croatia, Scotland, Czech Republic, Kosovo and Poland. Invited by the Goethe-Institute, they already concerted as cultural ambassadors in Brazil, China and Andalusia. As Soloists they played concerts together with the Leipziger Symphonieorchester, Frankfurter Solisten, new Chamber orchestra of Dresden or the Camerata suevica. The duo also join the Frankfurt Opera House regularly on selected productions.

Several first and second prizes at international chamber music competitions in Italy, Spain, Liechtenstein and Germany as well as many audience awards confirm the outstanding quality of the duo.

The guitar legend Pepe Romero praises the duo as „exceptional guitarists and extraordinary musicians“. The newspaper RP writes: „A musical unity in a most perfect way“. During the years 2019, 2021, 2022 and 2023 the prestigious radiostations SWR and HR broadcasted full-length concert recordings.

They successfully graduated with distinction from the universities in Stuttgart, Frankfurt and in Hamburg, where they earned the honor of being the first guitar duo in the history of the university to acquire the highest postgraduate degree with distinction.

At the Age of 19 they had already recorded their first CD with premiere recordings of Beethoven and Pujol. In 2013 their second CD „Portrait“ was released by karlklang. In 2016 they both released solo CDs: “Versus“ and “Solo“, strengthening their quality as individual artists.

In 2019 they released their newest CD-project „Baroque Masterpieces“ with NAXOS and received great critical acclaim from the trade press. During the pandemic they produced a DVD with a program called „Guitaromanie a deux“ filmed in the beautiful hall of the Wiesbaden-Biebrich castle.

Julia Zielinski teaches at the university of music in Saarbrücken and Frankfurt a.M. and with much enthusiasm also fosters young musicians at the music school in Wiesbaden. Christian Zielinski is Professor for guitar and head of the study department at the music academy in Wiesbaden.

Julia and Christian Zielinski, both born in 1987, have been scholarship holders of the highly skilled foundations ING DiBa and the DAAD. Furthermore, they regularly performed in charitable organizations for the Yehudi Menuhin Society "Live Music Now".