

Dr. Andrew Flory

Dr. Andrew Flory is an American classical guitarist, theorbo player, lutenist, and educator based in Antwerp, Belgium. In 2024, Andrew received his Doctor of Musical Arts in Classical Guitar Performance, Certificate of Advanced Achievement in Early Music, and Performer's Certificate in Classical Guitar from the Eastman School of Music in Rochester, New York. As a multi-instrumentalist and Early music specialist, Andrew captivates audiences around the world with his colorful and nuanced musicality in his repertoire that spans over 500 years across many instruments. Along with his solo career, Andrew is a veteran continuo player with years of experience playing with the Eastman School of Music Collegium Musicum Baroque Orchestra and the Schola Cantorum at Christ Church in Rochester, NY.

Notable recent solo performances include a nine concert West Coast Tour with performances in Seattle, Portland, Boise, Reno, Phoenix, LA, and San Francisco; concerts at the University of Arkansas, the Connecticut Guitar Guild, the Great Lakes Guitar Society, and the Rochester Classical Guitar Society. As a continuo player, Andrew has performed works by Monteverdi, Purcell, Alessandro Scarlatti, William Byrd, and more.

Andrew is currently the Vice President of the Lute Society of America and is on the Education Committee for the LSA as well. For his "musical excellence" and "outstanding academic record", Andrew was inducted into the Pi Kappa Lambda Music Honor Society in 2023. At Eastman, Andrew studied guitar with Naxos recording artist Nicholas Goluses and he studied lute and theorbo with world renowned lutenist and pedagogue Paul O'Dette. Andrew received his Master of Music degree from the Royal Conservatoire of Scotland in 2020 under the direction of Allan Neave and Matthew McAllister. It was at RCS where Andrew began his lute and theorbo studies with Jamie Akers. He received his Bachelor of Music degree from the University of Arkansas in 2015 where he studied with Dr. James Greeson.

Andrew's theorbo is a reproduction of a 17th century Schelle theorbo which was built by Daniel Yost of Buffalo, New York in 2021. Andrew plays a 2016 Stephan Connor guitar.