

## ***Michael Geddes, Guitar***

*Michael Geddes has been a guitar instructor for over 40 years. He began his training at the Hartford Conservatory and later continued his musical education, as a trombone major with a minor in guitar, at Hart School of Music in Hartford, Connecticut. Michael continued guitar studies with renowned classical guitarist Andrew Caponigro, in Boston Massachusetts, voice at the Carbonell Conservatory of Music in Tampa, Florida, and James Madison University. He taught guitar for ten years (1992 until 2001) as adjunct instructor at Eastern Mennonite University in Harrisonburg, VA, in both the university and preparatory music departments. There, in 1997, he received a scholarship to study the Suzuki Teaching Method, a method for children from 6 to 12 years old, designed to make learning more fun and productive. As a professional performer and singer, Michael incorporates his rich musical experience into his own very unique and successful comprehensive teaching method. This method incorporates high level of reading skills, ear training, guitar, vocal performance, and musical theory. His annual recitals include students performing guitar pieces and vocal performance, as well.*