Foreword EMBASSY OF FINLAND

It gives me great pleasure to introduce Mr Petri Kumela who is, at present, one of Finland's most well-known classical guitarists. He has a varied repertoire of periodic and contemporary performances and recordings under his belt and tonight's programme is a very good example of it.

Although he is making his debut here at the Royal Festival Hall's Purcell Room, he is no stranger to these shores. He has previously performed in Stafford, Derby and Southampton and recorded in the UK as well.

I sincerely wish to thank all those who have made this unique concert possible.

I wish to convey my special gratitude to Latin American and Caribbean Cultural Society (LACCS) for their continuing efforts in staging such events and hence strengthen the cultural relationships and mutual understanding between various cultures.



Pekka Huhtaniemi

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Ambassador