

This first of four volumes represents award-winning guitarist Adam Levin's major collaboration with the new century's 'Spanish Masters'. Bridges to the past include medieval sources in the *Secuencia Sefardita* and Baroque in the unconventional variations of *Handeliana*. These stand alongside pastoral scenes in *Viento de Primavera* and a celebration of Albéniz from Leonardo Balada. From contemplative moods to spectacular virtuosity, this is a musical voyage both unexpected and unforgettable. Adam Levin has been acclaimed for his 'enviable technique' and a 'high musicianship which shines like a beacon through his performances'. (*Classical Guitar* magazine)

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Eduardo MORALES-CASO
(b. 1969)

1 **La Fragua de Vulcano** (2009) 6:28

Salvador BROTONS (b. 1959)

**Dues Noves Suggestions,
Op. 121** (2011)* 6:48

2 I. Siciliana 4:02

3 II. Brasilera 2:45

David DEL PUERTO (b. 1964)

Viento de Primavera (2009) 6:41

4 I. Entre la Brisa 1:26

5 II. Luz de Tarde 2:56

6 III. Danza 2:17

Carlos CRUZ DE CASTRO (b. 1941)

7 **Secuencia Sefardita** (2010)* 6:36

Ricardo LLORCA (b. 1962)

8 **Handeliana** (Variations on a theme
by G.F. Handel) (2011)* 6:59

[Theme: 'Va godendo' from *Xerxes*]

Leonardo BALADA (b. 1933)

**Caprichos No. 8: Abstractions
of Albéniz** (2010)* 11:23

9 I. Abstraction of 'Triana' 2:40

10 II. Abstraction of 'Evocación' 2:53

11 III. Abstraction of 'La Tarara' 1:09

12 IV. Abstraction of 'Cádiz' 2:15

13 V. Abstraction of 'Sevilla' 2:21

Octavio VAZQUEZ (b. 1972)

Suite: Nostos (2009)* 16:57

14 I. There was an apple tree 4:12

15 II. Intermezzo 2:57

16 III. The exact day 1:31

17 IV. Gigue 2:45

18 V. Melody 2:46

19 VI. The rest is memory 2:39

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