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Kemal Belevi's music is steeped in the colours and atmosphere of the eastern Mediterranean, and his aim is 'to create beautiful music' based on melodies and rhythms that have been absorbed from the folk music of Greece, Turkey and the Middle East. Belevi's own arrangements of works such as the evocative *Suite Chypre* and the richly varied *Cyprian Rhapsodies* have significantly extended the repertoire for two guitars. The Duo Tandem are drawn towards this composer's skilful modernity and his celebration of traditional heritage reimagined within the sound world of the classical guitar.

Kemal BELEVI (b. 1954) Guitar Duos

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| 1 <i>Cyprian Rhapsody No. 1</i>
(2011)† | 3:55 | Turkish Suite (1999)* | 6:17 |
| Suite Chypre (2001)†* | 11:50 | 8 I. Danza | 1:57 |
| 2 I. Lapta | 3:12 | 9 II. Song | 2:30 |
| 3 II. Elegie | 3:35 | 10 III. Hicaz | 1:46 |
| 4 III. Çiftetelli | 4:59 | 11 <i>Romance (1997)‡*</i> | 5:26 |
| 5 <i>Vals No. 1 (1999)†*</i> | 3:24 | 12 <i>Cyprian Rhapsody No. 3</i>
(2012)‡* | 7:00 |
| 6 <i>Cyprian Rhapsody No. 2</i>
(2006)† | 5:35 | Three Fragments (1997) | 4:44 |
| 7 <i>Vals No. 2 (1985)†*</i> | 5:39 | 13 I. Fragment I | 1:29 |
| | | 14 II. Fragment II | 1:36 |
| | | 15 III. Fragment III | 1:35 |
| | | 16 <i>Cyprian Rhapsody No. 4</i>
(2006)‡* | 8:33 |

† Version for 2 guitars, 2017

‡ Version for 2 guitars, 2018

* WORLD PREMIERE RECORDINGS

Duo Tandem

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