



# MINNEAPOLIS GUITAR QUARTET

## JOSEPH HAGEDORN

As one of the Minneapolis Guitar Quartet's founding members, Joseph Hagedorn has largely been responsible for the growth and development of this ensemble since its inception in 1986. His gift for arranging has produced dozens of musical opportunities for the MGQ, from the sought-after *Windy* by Piazzolla and *Danzas Argentinas* by Ginastera to the recent arrangements of jazz and pop music by Hiromi and Prince. He also performs on all of the group's five recordings. Joseph's solo and concerto appearances have taken him to more than 25 American cities and to Canada. He has been heard twice on the nationally broadcast radio program *Saint Paul Sunday*, once with the MGQ and again with violinist Leslie Shank.

In 1990, Joseph was the winner of the prestigious Guitar Foundation of America solo competition, resulting in a concert tour throughout the United States. This native Iowan received his Bachelor of Music degree from Cornell College and his Master of Music degree from the University of Minnesota. Joseph was a student of Richard Stratton, Christopher Carrington, Nelson Amos, and Jeffrey Van. He has been on the music faculty of the University of Wisconsin-River Falls since 1988.