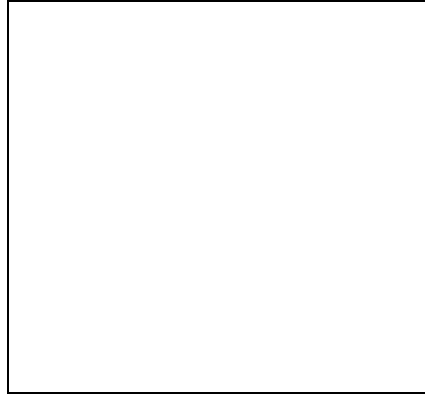


# **Wilma van Berkel**

## **Guitar**



**Wilma van Berkel** was born in 1965 in The Hague, the Netherlands. At the age of ten she began playing the classical guitar. She obtained her Teacher's Degree with Hans van Goch and her Performer's Degree with Jorge Oraison, both at the Rotterdam Conservatory. She was awarded two consecutive Foreign Exchange Scholarships from the government of Czechoslovakia and a grant from the Dutch Ministry of Culture to study in the Czech Republic with Stepan Rak at the Prague Academy of Fine Arts. She has participated in master classes with many outstanding teachers and performers including David Russell, Stepan Rak and Leo Brouwer.