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Homage to “El Quijote” ***Spanish Guitar Recital by Francesc de Paula Soler***

Francesc de Paula Soler, a guitarist from the Catalonian province of Spain, will be at Olympic Auditorium at South Seattle Community College on December 2. The public is invited to attend a day of free events.

Francesc de Paula Soler will be on campus to celebrate the 400 years that have passed since the first publication of the world famous novel “Don Quixote de la Mancha.” Soler is an amazing guitarist with a classical music background inspired by a family of violinists. He has been all over the country giving performances in honor of Miguel de Cervantes Saavedra's novel.

Soler has a number of activities planned for the day. He will begin at 10:00 a.m. with an informal chat. Following this, at around 10:50 a.m., he will give a workshop for students of guitar. Soler is a very down to earth musician and enjoys inspiring up and coming guitarists by showing them the history of Spanish guitar and music through various activities. He was a maestro and professor of music at the University of Barcelona for thirty years before showcasing his skills.

At 6:30 p.m., Soler will give a performance, which will begin with readings from “Don Quixote de la Mancha” in the different languages. He will be playing guitar compositions from before, during and after the publication of the novel in 1605. Attendees will hear the passing of the musical trends from the time and get an idea of the impact of a novel that has been published in numerous languages, including Portuguese, French, English, German, Chinese, and Japanese.

This event is sponsored by South Seattle Community College’s Academic Programs, the United Student Association (student government) and the Office of Diversity & Retention.

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