



## Guest Artist Recital



Duo Quixotic  
Mike Nguyen, saxophone  
Max Borah, saxophone



Astrid Morales Torres  
Piano

**Thursday October 17, 2024**  
**7:00PM Van Cliburn Concert Hall at TCU**  
**-Free Admission-**

**Works by:**  
Marc Melits, Nina Shekhar, Warren Benson,  
Karalyn Schubring, Junichi Murata

Duo Quixotic  
Recital Program

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Tachycardia (2014)

Marc Melits  
(b. 1966)

Urban Development (2017)

Nina Shekhar  
(b. 1995)

Aeolian Song (1971/2023)

Warren Benson  
(1924 - 2005)

Max Borah, soprano saxophone  
Mike Nguyen, alto saxophone  
Astrid Morales Torres, piano

Powerhouse (2021)

Karalyn Schubring  
(b. 1999)

Max Borah, soprano saxophone  
Mike Nguyen, alto saxophone  
Astrid Morales Torres, piano

Rotte No. 2 (2013)

Junichi Murata  
(b. 1985)

## Bios

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“In order to attain the impossible, one must attempt the absurd.”

Founded in 2024, **Duo Quixotic** is comprised of saxophonists from the Dallas-Ft. Worth area Maxwell Borah and Mike Nguyen. The name of the group is derived from the famous Spanish novel entitled *Don Quixote* by Miguel de Cervantes. Much like the eccentric duo in the novel, Duo Quixotic is committed to exploration and providing an imaginative spin on the genre. By performing new works that promote the saxophone duo, this duo seeks to collaborate with musicians and composers in pursuit of pushing the boundaries artistically in a jovial manner.

**Maxwell Borah** is an active performer and educator in the North Texas area. Currently, Borah is pursuing a DMA at the University of North Texas studying with Dr. Eric Nestler and serves as a saxophone Teaching Fellow instructing undergraduate students.

**Mike Nguyen** is a Vietnamese-American saxophonist from the Dallas Fort-Worth metroplex. An energetic collaborator, Nguyen is passionate about enriching his community through performance and education. He performs in numerous ensembles across the metroplex. Currently, Nguyen teaches at the University of Texas at Arlington and Tarrant County Community College.

**Astrid Morales Torres** is an internationally recognized and acclaimed Mexican pianist who currently serves as the Adjunct Assistant Professor of Piano Pedagogy at the University of Texas at Arlington. Torres is a multifaceted artist that has performed as a soloist and collaborative pianist in Europe, North America, and South America. Torres serves as the Executive Director of Pedagogy for the Piano Industry Professionals and Producers Affiliated.

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