

## **SIU Guitar Ensemble**

**Audition date:** Wednesday August 18, 2021 (by appointment from 1:00 to 5:00)

All applicants enrolled in applied guitar lessons at the MUS 140 level and above do not need to audition for the guitar ensemble.

For all other applicants the audition for other will be comprised of:

- Assigned pieces
- Improvisation
- Sight reading

Prepare and present the following two pieces:

1. Prelude VII – Manuel Ponce (to be played on a classical nylon string guitar)
2. Billie's Bounce – Charlie Parker (can optionally be performed on electric guitar or bass guitar)

In order to prepare the Billie's Bounce selection:

- Learn the melody
- Learn the chords & compatible scales.
- Be prepared to accompany the selection using suitable chord voicings and to improvise over the chord changes.

To schedule your audition, for questions and to obtain the music parts contact Dr. Isaac Lausell at: [isaac.lausell@siu.edu](mailto:isaac.lausell@siu.edu)