

Bio

Dingeman Coumou

Dingeman Coumou studied lute and classical guitar at the Utrecht Conservatory. In masterclasses and post-conservatory classes, he further developed his skills on the instruments and also developed as a composer. He played together with the legendary guitarist Julian B. Coco (1924 - 2013). He attended masterclasses by Eugen Dombois and Michel Schäfer for lute and David Russell, and Pepe Romero for guitar. Followed lessons with Stanley Noordpool and Pavel Steidl.

His first LP recording was released in 1980 and several more recordings followed. In addition to the classical genre, he is equally skilled in flamenco and fingerstyle Jazz. His versatility can be heard clearly in his own compositions and arrangements. Mr. Coumou performs regularly as a soloist and accompanist with orchestras and in recitals.

As a teacher of classical guitar, lute and theory preparatory vocational training, he was affiliated with the music school in Alphen aan den Rijn in the Netherlands for 40 years, and continues to give masterclasses and workshops today.

His compositions and arrangements find their way all over the world via the internet.

Mr. Coumou believes that "playing guitar and lute is an emotion and life experience for me. With music I say what cannot be expressed in words."