

Anna Maria Mendieta

Harpist

Biography

Recent Review Clip

“...an exceptional soloist, harpist Anna Maria Mendieta, was even more impressive. A charismatic player, she ranged through her instrument: exquisite, finger flicked dustings up and across the strings; or guitar-like strums, crisp and percussive; or rich-blooded low notes or brilliant high ones. The interwoven sound of Mendieta and the orchestra was luminous...”

- Richard Scheinin, San Jose Mercury News

8/29/07 Review Excerpt (59 words)

Portions of the full review were selected for nation-wide publication by the American Symphony Orchestra League 8/30/07

“Harp at its best! ... an extremely talented woman!”

- CD Review Magazine

(Formal)

Anna Maria Mendieta, harpist, enjoys a busy career as a soloist, orchestral musician, recording artist and teacher. In recognition of her Spanish heritage, she has been invited to perform for the King and Queen of Spain and for concerts for National Hispanic Week in Washington, D.C. In a career that has earned her prestigious awards and performances with many top name recording artists, Ms. Mendieta has also been invited to perform for dignitaries and heads of state. She has appeared in motion pictures, on television, and has been featured on national radio. Her albums are currently available through her website: www.AnnamariaMendieta.com.

Short Publicity Bio: (100 words not including quote)

(Casual)

Anna Maria Mendieta, harpist, enjoys a busy career as a soloist, orchestral musician, recording artist and teacher. She is the principal harpist with the Sacramento Philharmonic, the Sacramento Opera, and plays with orchestras and chamber music groups across the country. She has performed for the King and Queen of Spain; for National Hispanic Week in Washington D.C.; and as soloist with *Theater Flamenco*. Anna Maria is recognized as a pioneer performing Argentine Tango music on the harp with a review featured internationally by *The American Symphony Orchestra League* as “*an exceptional and charismatic soloist*”. Her creation of “Tango del Cielo” is the focus of a documentary film. Anna Maria has appeared on TV, movies, NPR, and the Emmy Awards. She has shared programs with Federica von Stade, performed with Frank Sinatra Jr., Josh Groban, and Barry Manilow calls her his favorite harpist. When she’s not pulling strings, Anna Maria is out on the dance floor.

Short Bio - also appropriate for Tango and Spanish Music Programs: (155 words)

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