John Lehmann-Haupt, Guitarist

John Lehmann-Haupt, a New York-based guitarist and writer, has been playing since he was five years old. Known equally for his arrangements of popular and traditional songs and for his classical interpretations, he has released two acclaimed CDs, *Songs of the Guitar* and *Songs of the Guitar II*. He has performed in concert throughout the Northeast, and his 12-year engagement at Windows on the World (atop the former World Trade Center) was cited for musical excellence by *The New York Times*. John's arrangements have been published by Mel Bay, and his writings on music have appeared in *The New York Times* and several other publications. He was a staff instructor at New York's American Institute of Guitar from 1982 until its 2008 closing, and since 2006, he has served on the Board of Directors of the New York City Classical Guitar Society.