

The **Ibison Guitar Duo**, Chad Ibison (USA) and Janet Grohovac (Canada) have been performing together since 2010 and are based in Austin, Texas. Both hold Doctor of Musical Arts degrees from The University of Texas at Austin where they met.

Dr. Ibison, originally from Houston, Texas, has won many top prizes in competitions including the prestigious Guitar Foundation of America 2013 and the JoAnn Falletta Concerto Competition in 2014, as well as 1st prizes at the CU International Guitar Festival 2015, Tennessee Guitar Festival and Competition 2013, Boston GuitarFest 2012, Texas Guitar Competition in Dallas 2012, A&M Guitar Symposium 2010, and CSU Guitar Symposium 2009. In 2010 Dr. Ibison completed his undergraduate degree with Dr. Zohn at Columbus State University.

Dr. Grohovac, from Victoria, Canada, was awarded 1st prizes at the Southern Guitar Competition 2015, and the Northwest Guitar Competition 2009, and was a top prize winner in the Tennessee International Guitar Competition 2015, the Lone Star Guitar Festival and Competition 2015, the Dallas International Guitar Competition 2015, Montreal International Guitar Festival 2014 and the Texas Music Festival “Classical Minds” Competition 2010.

The Ibison Guitar Duo performs in North America and abroad. Recent engagements include sold out shows for the Christ Church Cathedral series in Canada and the UpClose series for ACG in the US, recitals for the Festival Internacional de Guitarra de Taxco, Mexico, Ticino Musica’s concerts in Lugano, Switzerland, and Greater-Houston Guitar Guild concert series. Special appearances include being featured in Austin’s radio stations KMFA and KVRX and an episode of Austin’s Notes In Time. The duo also collaborated as clinicians for Carnegie Hall’s Lullaby Project in partnership with Austin Classical Guitar.

In addition to performing, the duo is strongly committed to the education of their students. Dr. Ibison was the Teaching Assistant to Professor Adam Holzman at UT-Austin for 5 years and was the professor of guitar at Texas Lutheran University. Dr. Grohovac is on faculty as Professor of Guitar at Concordia University Texas and Huston-Tillotson University. They now manage their own very successful Austin-based guitar studio, Hyde Park Guitar, where the duo teaches close to eighty students a week. The Ibison Guitar Duo performs exclusively on Blackwell Guitars from the Sunshine Coast of British Columbia, Canada.