Mp3 International String Trio - Appalachia



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A unique mix of folk, jazz, classical and world music. 12 MP3 Songs WORLD: World Traditions, FOLK: Appalachian Folk Details: The International String Trio was founded in 1999 by its musical director and guitarist, Slava Tolstoy. Ever since, the International String Trio has been gaining national recognition and has performed at over 1000 venues across the USA. The inspiration for this CD originated from music written about the Appalachian Mountains. In addition, popular pieces from several other music traditions have been included to create a well rounded and multi cultural musical experience. The International String Trio proudly presents Appalachia, a compilation of beautiful melodies played in this unique style. Slava Tolstoy Guitarist, Musical Director Slavas background includes studies of Composition and guitar performance at St.-Petersburg Jazz Conservatory, Russia. He received his Bachelor Degree in Contemporary Writing and Production from Bostons renowned Berklee College of Music, where he was a scholarship student. He founded International String Trio in 1999 and developed a unique performance concept for the ensemble. In addition to being an accomplished performer he is also a songwriter and producer with several credits under his belt. Ben Powell Violin Ben was raised in England until moving to the USA for his college education at the age of 19. In 1998 he was invited to play at the Nagano 1998 Winter Olympics in Japan as part of an international Suzuki celebration. As a soloist Ben has given recitals in The Purcell Rooms in Londons Queen Elizabeth Southbank complex. Ben is also an avid jazz violinist and has been experimenting with the style for the last seven years. In 2001 he was invited to play in a master class with jazz trumpeter Randy Brecker as part of the Cheltenham International Jazz festival. Currently Ben is finishing his studies at Berklee College of Music and performs on the regular basis with Boston Philharmonics. Ippei Ichimaru Acoustis Bassist Ippei has been a professional bass player/arranger since 1991 in Australia and America. He does more than 250 performances a year and is

one of the most active bass players in Boston. He has had the pleasure of playing with or arranging for many talented international musicians such as Gil Askey (ex-chief arranger of Motown label), Danilo Perez (Grammy Winner), Phil Wilson (Grammy nominee), George Garzone, etc. He is a member of a critically acclaimed jazz band Four Minus One. They released 3 CDs on the Fresh Sound record label. Ippei is also a member of one of the busiest New England bands Charisma. Ippei is a founding member of the International String Trio a unique string ensemble led by Slava Tolstoy, that has gained national recognition and reviews by several major publications (Boston Globe, Downbeat, etc.) People who are interested in Bla Fleck Turtle Island String Quartet Jay Ungar should consider this download.

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