

Dr. Isaac Lausell – Professor of Classical & Jazz Guitar

Since 2012 Dr. Lausell leads the guitar program at Southern Illinois University Carbondale School of Music. At SIUC Lausell teaches courses in classical and jazz guitar, oversees the guitar area, performs and composes music for the jazz ensemble in residence the New Arts Jazztet. As a recording artist and clinician Dr. Lausell is active teaching and performing across the U.S., Latin America and Europe.

As a writer Dr. Lausell has developed methods for jazz improvisation and for guitar technique. His approach combines lute, classical and electric guitar technique along with modal, tonal and post tonal music theory models. His writings integrate various academic disciplines such as ethnomusicology, history, physical training and visual arts.

Dr. Lausell has played with artists such as Altgeld Chamber Players, Ray Anderson, Ignacio Berroa, Coco Freeman, Kenwood Dennard, Ricky Encarnación, Jon Faddis, Frank Gambale, Eddie Gómez, Rick Latham, Eric Mandat, Matt Margvulio, Charles McPherson, Paoli Mejias, Fidel Morales, Zvonimir Tot, Marcello Pellitteri, Marco Pignataro, Proyecto EVIF, Luis "Perico" Ortiz, Bill, Smith, Oscar Stagnaro, Norbert Stachel, Stony Brook Baroque Players and Douglas Worthen.