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AMATEUR MUSIC NETWORK ANNOUNCES CHORO: THE MUSIC OF RIO WORKSHOP AND INTERACTIVE CONCERT

Concert artists invite audience members to join in music-making

Brazilian music artists "Duo Violão Plus 1" lead a special music-making event



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SEPTEMBER 11, 2019 – Amateur Music Network (AMN) is proud to announce a special interactive concert event: *Choro – the music of Rio.*

Before the concert, audience members are invited to join a workshop with members of **Duo Violão Plus 1**: guitarists **Rogerio Souza** and **Edinho Gerber** from Rio de Janeiro, and San Francisco's **Ami Molinelli**. Together they will explore Brazilian Choro and will learn and rehearse a song for performance during the concert.

"Choro" (Portuguese pronunciation: "sh-oro") means "cry" or "lament" and is also popularly called chorinho ("little cry" or "little lament"). Chorinho is a popular Brazilian instrumental music genre which originated in 19th century Rio de Janeiro.

Duo Violão Plus 1 began as an organic extension of Duo Violão, the project of Brazilian guitarists Rogério Souza and Edinho Gerber. During their second visit to the Bay Area in 2016, they met percussionist Ami Molinelli and the musical connection was immediate. Over the following years, they traveled up and down the West Coast, performing and developing a unique sound while navigating the rhythms, styles, and sub-genres of Choro music. The recently released album *Historia do Choro* captures their exciting collaboration and the new musical arrangements developed in their work together over the last three years.

"I'm so honored to be working with these wonderful artists for our upcoming tour," says Molinellli. The trio has long been eager to do an interactive concert "that will expose our audience even more deeply to the infectious traditional music of Rio de Janeiro, from polka to samba and everything in between." Amateur Music Network hopes this will be a great occasion for the whole community.

Calendar editors, please note:

Choro – The Music of Rio

October 23, 2019 Workshop 6pm Concert 7:30pm

Drew School, San Francisco (2901 California St.)

Registration: \$45 (concert and workshop), \$25 (concert alone)

A partnership of Amateur Music Network and Drew School.

Details and registration information available at amateurmusic.org/workshops.

About Amateur Music Network

Amateur Music Network (AMN) brings people together to experience the joy of music-making. **AMN workshops** give musicians opportunities to develop their skills and try new musical genres. The **AMN website** is a hub where musicians can connect with one-other and find ensembles and classes that suit their interests. A monthly **AMN newsletter** highlights music-making opportunities throughout the Bay Area and beyond.

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