

with Todd Boston

Celebrate the winter solstice and its warm traditions with a concert of original and traditional acoustic music drawn from the multi-platinum selling Winter Solstice series as well as their many solo releases. Windham Hill founder and Grammy-winning guitarist, Will Ackerman, and Grammy Award-nominated singer, fiddler, pianist, and songwriter Barbara Higbie, and the Grammy-nominated guitarist and composer Alex de Grassi come together to lead joyous holiday concerts.

## About Windham Hill

William Ackerman founded Windham Hill Records in Palo Alto in 1975. The label's audiophile recordings were a run-away success with critics and audiences alike. Musicians including Michael Hedges, George Winston, Will Ackerman, Alex de Grassi, Barbara Higbie and Darol Anger and their group Montreux, Liz Story, Mark Isham, and Tuck and Patty quickly became internationally recognized. The name "Windham Hill" became synonymous with the best in acoustic music in the 1980s and 90s. Windham Hill's 10 Winter Solstice compilation recordings, selling in the many millions, "changed people's conceptions of seasonal music" (John Diliberto, Echoes radio show host). The Winter Solstice Concerts bring the music of Windham Hill full circle, 40 years after it was originally conceived on the Stanford campus.

## **Press Quotes**

"...Will Ackerman's ... pieces have that timeless introspection that has made his music so enduring."—Billboard

"Barbara Higbie is one of the most exciting musicians I have heard, full of life and brilliant in her playing."—S.F. Examiner/Chronicle

"Alex de Grassi's intricate finger-picking technique with an uncanny gift for melodic invention." —Billboard."