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**The finalists of the International Classical Guitar 2 in 1 Online Competition 2.0 have been selected**

The semifinal of the 2 in 1 Online Guitar Competition took place on September 18th. The competition organised by Tampere Guitar Festival from Finland and Petrer Guitar Festival from Spain had 64 applicants from 27 countries. From those, 25 guitarists were selected for the semifinals by the juries of both countries. Now the juries have selected four competitors for the finals, which are held on October 31st. All rounds are implemented by using prerecorded video performances.

The finalists in random order and for which final they are selected:

* Bruno Madeira, Brazil (Finland)
* Otto Kentala, Finland (Spain)
* Ema Kapor, Serbia (Finland and Spain)
* Katarzyna Smolarek, Poland (Finland and Spain)
* Pasquale Vitale, Italy (Finland and Spain)

The Favourite Artist of the Audience in the semifinals is Federico De Conno from Italy. The obligatory work Motivos de Son No.1 was composed by Leo Brouwer from Cuba. The work was commissioned together by Tampere Guitar Festival and Petrer Guitar Festival. Brouwer will select the best interpretation of his work from performances preselected by guitarist Ricardo Gallén. The winner will be announced on November 1st together with the final results of the competition.

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