## Urxa Tilhrus in flutia

## Almusu Mludarra

First published in Serille by Juan de Leon, 1546


## MUDARRA, VIFUELA AN(D $\mathcal{T A B L A I U R E}$

$\mathfrak{A l o n s o}$ Mudarra was the 3rd of the known vifuelists with surviving publications. His Tres Libros de Musica en Cifras (1546)
followed Milan's El Maestro (1535) and $\mathcal{N}$ (arvaez'Seys Libros del $\mathcal{D e l f i n ~ d e ~ M u s i c a ~ ( 1 5 3 8 ) . ~}$
$\mathcal{A l s o n s o}$ Mudarra was Gorn ca 1510 and died in Seville, 1 April 1580. He was raised in Guadalajara in the housefiold of the third and fourth dukes of the Infantado, Diego Hurtado de Mendoza and Inigo Lopez de Mendoza, it is likely that Mudarra travelled with the latter in the entourage that accompanied Charles V to Italy in 1529. He subsequently entered the priesthood, probably in Palencia, becoming a canon at Seville Cathedral on 18 October 1546, less than two months before the publication of his vifuela book. During the following 34 years he played an important role in cathedral affairs: arranging the annual Corpus Christi celebrations, Giring wind players, negotiating the purchase and installation of a new organ, and consulting in 1572 with $\mathcal{F}$ rancisco Guerrero at the request of the chapter concerning the music commissioned from Guerrero for the coming Christmas season. From March 1568 he served as major-domo of the cathedral, in charge of all disbursements. After fis death, the money raised from the sale of his possessions was distributed to the poor according to the provisions of his will.
$\mathfrak{M u d a r r a ' s}$ Tres libros de musica en cifras para vifuela was published in Seville on 7 December 1546. Comprising 77 works (including six pieces for four-course guitar and one for harp or organ), the book contains numerous innovations. These include the earliest music published for guitar, a newly-invented 14-line tablature system for harp and organ, suite-like groupings of works by mode, and the earliest fabordon psalm printed in Spain. The most prolific genre among Mudarra's works are 27 fantasias, mainly polythematic works in imitative style with Cyrical free extensions and strong architectonic symmetry. He also included two monophonic ostinato fantasias and several of more idiomatic character. The ingenious Fantasia que contrafaze la harpa en la manera de Ludovico is a disguised set of folia variations that use cross rhythms and bold chromaticism to imitate the legendary farpist of Ferdinand III of Aragon. The short tientos are idiomatic preludes used to commence the modally-grouped 'suites' of the second book, while the glosas are parody fantasias in which Mudarra alternates intabulated vocal polyphony with original music.

Tablature orientation: Mudarra's tablature uses numbers to represent the position where the string is fretted. The top-most line in the tablature staff represents the bass-most string on the vifuela.
Vifuela tuning: The nominal tuning for the vifuela is $\mathcal{G}$ cf $\operatorname{a} d^{\prime} g^{\prime}$. The same intervals can be gotten on the guitar by tuning string 3 down a falf-step to $f \#$.
Tempo: Sudarra used 3 different symbols to indicate tempo. They were placed at the beginning of the first tablature staff.
$\mathcal{A}$ symbol which looks like a Greek phi means "apriesa" (quick(y). A "C" (which looks like our common time symbol) means a middle
tempo. $\mathcal{A}$ "C" with a vertical slash down the middle (which looks like our cut time symbol) means "despacio" (slowly). These
symbols were originally written on Mudarra's 1st, 2nd or 3rd line, but it is unclear what the different locations may imply.
$\mathcal{H e l d}$ notes: $\mathcal{A}$ caret, or hat ( ${ }^{\wedge}$ ), above a fret number in $\mathcal{M}$ udarra's tablature means to let the note ring as long as possible.
Right-fiand techinique: In a few pieces, Mudarra gives instructions for the right hand. He writes "dedi" for a "dedillo"
passage - the index finger alone plays by plucking up and down. "Dosde" is short for "de dos dedos", which means to play the
passage with alternating thumb and index finger. In some instances it is not clear exactly which fret number Mudarra's instruction is aligned with.
Ornamentation: Mudarra's tablature never showed any ornaments.
$\mathcal{F}$ inal measures: Mudarra always wrote a breve (1 breve $=2$ whole notes) as the rfythm for the last measure. $\mathcal{N}$ ote that this is twice the value of the other measures.

## EDITORIAL $\mathcal{N O T E S}$

This is the work of many successive hands. The original transcription was done by Donald Sauter in ASCII
tab. See fttp://www.geocities.com/Capito(Hill/Lobby/7049/index. html\#science for more information, and more tablature for guitar.
I personally received the files in $\mathcal{W}$. Cripps tab format from Leonard Williams who edited the original $\mathcal{A S C I I}$
and produced some nice pdf versions. Please see http://www.cs.dartmouth.edu/~wbc/tab-serv/tab-serv.cgi
For techinical and editorial reasons, I had to check the facsimile edition published by the Chanterelle editions, with an excellent preface by James $\mathcal{T y l e r}$.
$\mathcal{A s}$ Leonard puts it:
Enjoy!
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## Tres Libros de Tlusica

## Hlonso Tludarra

Fantasia de pasos largos para desen6ofuer ías manos



Fantasia para desen6ofuer las manos


Fantasia de pasos para desen6ofuer las manos


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Fantasia de pasos de contado
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Fantasiafacif



## Fantasiafacil




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## Fantasia




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La segunda parte de la gloría de la misa de faysan regres de Josquin








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Pleni de la misa de faysan regres de Josquin
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Fantasia que contrafiaza ía harpa en la manera de Luduvico es dificil hasta ser entendida．














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Romanesca: o guardame fas vacas
(Proporcion tres semibreves al compas)





## Pavana






Pavana de Alexandre





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## Fantasia def primer tono




## Fantasia deíquarto tono




Fantasia dé quinto tono


Fantasia del primer tono


Pavana



Romanesca - Oguardame las vacas


Siento (primer tono)




## Fantasia




Kyrie primero de fa missa de Beata Virgine de Josquin glosado




Glosa




Iosquin

## Fantasia (primer tono)






## Tiento (segundo tono)



## Fantasia (segundo tono)





Fantasia de sore fa, mi, ut, re (segundo ono)



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## Tiento (tercero tono)







Giosa sobre un Kyrie postrero de una misa de Josquin que va sobre Pange Lingua










## Tiento (quarto tono)



Fantasia (quarto tono)




Giosa sobre un Benedictus de una misa de Josquin que va sobre la, sol, fa, re, mi


glosa





Glosa



## Jiento (quinto tono)





Fantasia (quinto tono)






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Fantasia (quinto tono)






## Tiento (sexto tono)




## Fantasia (sexto tono)






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Glosa sobre el primer Kyrie de una misa de Fevin que va so6re Ave JMaria














Tiento (septimo tono)

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Fantasia(septimo tono)







Glosa sobre el Cum Sancto Spiritu de la misa de Beata Virgine de Josquin

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## Tiento (octavo tono)



Fantasia (octavo tono)






## Fantasia (octavo tono)








Fantasia va sobre fa, mi, fa, re, vt, sol, fa, sol, mi, re




Fin del scgundo hbro

Pater noster a quatro de Adrian Wiffiart (vocaf(ine indicated in red)










Respice in me Deus de Gomberth (vocal fine indicated in red)





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