



# A LITTLE DINNER MUSIC

MISTLETOE & WINE



STARRING:



MARK HAAR



JENNIFER  
NOVAK-HAAR

## ABOUT THE MUSICIANS

**Mark Haar** is an active freelance bassist in the Omaha area. He has played with the Omaha Symphony and was the Principal Bassist of the Sioux City Symphony, and he is currently a member of the Lincoln Symphony Orchestra. Mark has performed with many different jazz ensembles, everything from duos to big bands including the Nebraska Jazz Orchestra, the Bluffs Big Band, the Las Vegas Lab Band, the Omaha Big Band, and numerous small groups. He has also performed with blues bands, pop/rock bands, worship bands and musical theater pit orchestras including the Broadway touring productions of *Wicked*, *The Book of Mormon*, *Billy Elliot*, *Chicago*, *White Christmas*, *The Phantom of the Opera*, *Beautiful*, *Something Rotten*, *The Sound of Music*, *Pippin*, and *Grease*, as well as for numerous musical theater productions at the Omaha Community Playhouse. With Mark's own jazz group, *Novak & Haar*, he has recorded *A Summer's Carol*, *A Winter's Carol*, and *Old Friends*. All three of these albums have received both national and international attention. In November of 2019, Mark joined *Mannheim Steamroller's* 35th Christmas tour. Along with performing, Mark has taught electric bass guitar and double bass at the University of Nebraska at Omaha, Iowa Western Community College, Grace University, and Nebraska Christian College. He received a Bachelor of Arts degree from Coe College in Cedar Rapids, IA and a Masters of Music degree from the University of Nebraska at Omaha.

**Jennifer Novak-Haar** performs frequently with the Omaha Symphony, the Omaha Chamber Music Society and as a collaborative pianist throughout the Midwest. She music directs shows in Omaha and Lincoln and plays keyboard for Broadway touring productions as well as local theater. She plays with various jazz combos including her own group, *Novak & Haar*. Jennifer has performed at the *Kulturnacht Festival* in Braunschweig, Germany, played for the U.S. tour of the Irish singing duo *Fír*, and was the featured keyboard artist for the *Mannheim Steamroller Christmas* national tour. She graduated from the Oberlin Conservatory and was a Fulbright scholar at the *Musikhochschule* in Würzburg, Germany.