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Veterum Mvsicae medieval music











Todos los Tonos y Ayres early Chinese music

Collaborators:



DeMusica Ensemble female vocal group



Juan Francisco Ballesteros winds, percussion



Pilar Almalé viella



Kaveh Sarvarian ney, persian chant



#### Veterum Mvsicae

Ensemble specializing in Medieval and Renaissance music





### Todos los Tonos y Ayres First Spanish group specializing in early Chinese music







Concert premiered on the 3rd of June, 2017, commissioned by the Early Music Festival of Granada

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