

Lute player **Lieven Misschaert** studied classical guitar and chamber music at the Brussels Royal Conservatoire, but he is also one of the lute pioneers in Flanders. Together with Paul Rans he regularly went to Cologne in Germany to study the lute with Michael Schaeffer. He also studied with Anthony Bailes in Amsterdam and took part in numerous early music courses in various European countries. Until recently he taught lute and ensemble playing at the Conservatoire of Bruges.

For quite a few years he formed a duo with Paul Rans and they recorded an LP in 1979, entitled *Die Nachtegael int Wilde*. He also played for a long time with lutenist *Marianne Buisseret* who unfortunately died far too young. Today he concentrates a lot on contemporary lute music and does so with composer-lute player *Gilbert Isbin* in the *Meander Ensemble*.