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SAITARG'S GQ (GRAVITAS QUOTIENT)

Gravitas Quotient is a measure of one's reserves of inner wisdom.

Your GQ is as unique to you as your fingerprint or iris scan.

The human software is made of up of three components: Intelligence Quotient (IQ), Emotional Quotient (EQ), and Gravitas Quotient (GQ). Gravitas Quotient can be expressed as:

$$IQ + EQ + \text{Life Force (Mojo)} = GQ$$

Guido Basso, arranger, composer, conductor, has lived in the County for over twenty years. He is a legend in Canadian jazz circles as a master of the flugelhorn, the most romantic of instruments. Basso is credited with the theory that one "attacks the trumpet and makes love to a flugelhorn". Most recently, he performed at the Atlantic Jazz Festival and at the Prince Edward County Jazz Festival. Basso was made a Member of the Order of Canada in 1994.

Guido Basso answers fifteen Gravitas Questions:

What do you wish your mother understood about you?

She understood her Black Sheep very well.

What question do you most want to have answered?

Why can't we find a cure for cancer?

Who do you wish would call?

My parents.

How much is enough?

Enough is enough.

What has shaped the choices you have made?

My passion for the music I love.

What is your bliss?

To record a CD with Johnny Mandel or Claus Ogerman.

What bores you?

Repetition.

What has life taught you so far?

Not to live in the past.

Where is your personal tipping point?

Following a bad driver.

Who is the stranger at your door?

A police officer.

How do you express adoration?

Orally.

What saved you?

A sense of humour with lots of wine and music.

What does it take to reveal who you really are?

Nothing, what you see is what you get.

What story has not been reported?

Can't tell you.

What is the best way to express love?

Your heart will guide you.

Why do women put up with men?

Why do men put up with women? I guess we are all needy. (Final answer.)

They say everyone should have a cause. What is your cause?

Enforced punishment for litterbugs and for dog owners who don't scoop poop.

Saitarg, a long time County resident, developed the concept of GQ as part of his entertainment product.

Discover your Gravitas Quotient at www.gravitasthegame.com

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