FSGW Dances...

FSGW Contra & Square Dances • Sundays at Glen Echo Park, MD
Dance to fabulous music and first-rate callers. Details on page 2.

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This is an all-volunteer event: everyone, including the performers, planners, technicians, and sound engineers, EVERYONE donates their services.

There's still time to volunteer! Contact Pat McGee at 301-937-2437 or jpatmcgee@verizon.net.

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FSGW Sunday Night Dance
Contras & Squares
Sundays • 7:30 to 10:30 pm

Join us for an evening of dancing at Glen Echo Park. (Directions, page 18). FSGW, in cooperation with the National Park Service, Montgomery County, and the Glen Echo Park Partnership for Arts & Culture, presents contras and squares danced to live music by fabulous bands with awesome callers. Experienced and new dancers welcome; no partner needed. **NEW! FREE Welcome/Orientation to Traditional American Dance session at 7:00 pm.** Come early to get the inside scoop on all this stuff, personalized to suit your needs! **Dances become more challenging later in the evening. Admission $8 for FSGW, BFMS, CDSS, and ATDS Members; $10 for the general public. Children 17 and under $4. Bring something to drink (no alcohol is permitted in the Park). If you use scented products, such as perfumes, please be considerate of those with allergies and use a gentle hand. In the event of inclement weather, call the Park at 301-634-2222 after 3 pm for possible cancellation info if the Park closes. Info: David Shewmaker at dance@fsgw.org or www.fsgw.org.

June

4 In the Spanish Ballroom. From Asheville, North Carolina, the always-exciting Beth Molaro, known for her exciting evenings of squares and contras, will call to the playing of Devine Comedy, featuring the talents of Marty Taylor on whistles and English concertina, Steve Hickman on fiddle, and John Devine on Guitar.

11 In the Spanish Ballroom. Wild Asparagus!!!!! Need we say more? One of the great contra dance bands, these guys were part of the Contra Revolution, and are still one of the most exciting dance bands out there. With George Marshall calling and playing English concertina and bodhran, David Cantieni on flutes, tin-whistle, oboe, saxophone and bombard, Ann Percival on piano, guitar, and vocals, the masterful fiddling of Becky Tracy, and the dynamic Stuart Kenney on bass, these guys will blow your socks off. www.wildasparagus.com

18 In the Bumper Car Pavilion. The Hot Square Babes on tour! Having just finished their second season, these wonderful callers who are part of the Greater Washington dance community, will treat us to an evening of square dancing. Ann Fallon, Laura Brown, Eva Murray, Susan Taylor, and Janine Smith will rock us out with singing squares, traveling squares, triplets, circle dances, and whatever else will fit the evenings music. The Old Time Wall of Sound will feature the playing of the great Paul Brown on fiddle, Bill Schmidt ringin’ the banjo, rock-steady John Schwab on guitar, and Bruce Hutton on guitar and ukulele.

25 In the Bumper Car Pavilion. Gaye Fifer comes up from Charlottesville, VA, and will be calling to the driving music of Hotpoint String Band. Based in Athens, Ohio these guys play an eclectic mix of high energy original and traditional fiddle tunes from both the old-time and Celtic traditions. They are smoking- hot: Mark Burhans on fiddle, Hilarie Burhans on 5 string banjo, Marlene Shostak on piano, Nick Weiland on bass, and Mark Hellenberg on percussion. It’s a real treat to get them, so come on out! www.hotpointstringband.com
Songs on the Potomac at Riverbend Park

FREE Summer Concerts
Saturdays in June • 4:30-6:30 pm

A Singer Songwriter Series
Featuring Azalea City Recordings Artists and Special Guests

June 3  Ruthie Logsdon • Greg Hardin • Mary Battiata

Ruthie Logsdon
WAMA 2005 Best Country Vocalist
"nothing short of brilliant"—Billboard

Greg Hardin
Ruthie and the Wranglers’ Bassist and vocalist, winner of 2004 WAMMIE for Song of the Year.

Mary Battiata
Harp Magazine named Mary Battiata of “Little Pink” to its annual short list of “Songwriters You Should Hear.”

June 10  Mary Sue Twoby • Karen Collins • Geff King

Mary Sue Twoby
2004 Contemporary Folk Vocalist
WAMMIE winner and XM Radio host.

Karen Collins
Hazel Dickens meets Loretta Lynn. Award winning retro honkytonk songwriter the real deal.

Geff King
Award winning songwriter of country and bluegrass themes. Bassist and vocalist for Honkytonk Confidential plus the Backroads Band.

June 17  Rachel Cross • Laura Baron • David A. Alberding

Rachel Cross
Five time WAMMIE winner, high energy, rhythmic world folk performances with a positive vibe.

Laura Baron
2004 Mid-Atlantic Song Contest Gold Award, “...rhythm, beauty and intelligence.” —P. Kester WPFW

David A. Alberding
Award winning songs, compelling baritone and intricate guitar work performed with rhythm-filled acoustic fury.

June 24  Jesse Palidofsky • Carey Creed • Michelle Swan

Jesse Palidofsky
Healing humor and sharp social commentary with a big slice of the blues.

Carey Creed
2005 Contemporary Vocalist WAMMIE winner performing folk, jazz and gospel-inspired music.

Michelle Swan
Easily weaves lyric and note together to create intensely personal songs that speak to everyone.

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FSGW English Country Dances

FSGW English Country Dances
Wednesdays • 8 to 10:30 pm

Dance on a wood floor in the climate-controlled community room of the Glen Echo Town Hall (Directions, page 18). Bring clean, non-scuffing shoes for dancing. Talented callers are accompanied by top-notch musicians playing a delightful mix of instruments, including piano, fiddle, flute, harp, oboe, concertina, bassoon, and viola. Enjoy the welcoming crowd and light refreshments. Experienced and new dancers welcome, no partner needed. Admission $7 for FSGW members, $9 for non-members. Info: Norm Bernhardt at 301-320-2469; Stephanie Smith at 301-229-3577 or Roger Broseus at English@fsgw.org.

June
7 Rich Galloway calls to the music of Colleen Reed (flute), Karin Loya (cello) and Liz Donaldson (piano).
14 Jeff Steinberg (fiddle), Bruce Edwards (concertina and bassoon) and Francine Krasowska (piano) provide the music while Dan Gillespie leads the dances.
21 Stephanie Smith calls while Judy Kleppel (oboe), Robin Wilson (flute and concertina) and Liz Donaldson (piano) play the music.
28 Susan Taylor calls to the playing of Becky Ross (fiddle), Paul Oorts (mandolin) and Julie Gorka (piano).

FSGW Board Meeting
Tuesday, June 6 • 8 pm

The monthly FSGW board meeting will be held in Classroom 201 at Glen Echo Park. All FSGW members may attend. If you wish the Board to consider a particular matter, please contact the appropriate board member or Jim Cole, FSGW President, at 703-356-9678 in advance of the meeting.

Deadline for JULY 2006 Newsletter: SATURDAY, JUNE 10TH
26th Annual Washington Folk Festival

Glen Echo Park, MD • FREE!
Saturday, June 3 - Sunday, June 4
12 to 11 pm  12 to 6 pm.

This is the 26th year of the Washington Folk Festival, featuring D.C. area musicians, dancers, storytellers, and crafts! The annual event at the famous Glen Echo Park in Glen Echo, MD, is a great weekend for folks of all ages.

Performances take place simultaneously on six stages and in Glen Echo Park’s historic and newly-renovated Spanish Ballroom. The Festival goes on rain-or-shine; performance areas are covered. Food is available at a café in the Ballroom building, and the grounds include a picnic area under trees.


The Festival is an all-volunteer event, presenting more than 500 folk musicians, dancers, and crafts from throughout the Washington, DC area. Performers are drawn from all ethnic groups and musical persuasions. There will be lots of blues, bluegrass, Celtic, Eastern-European, and country music. Singer-songwriters will have mini-concerts throughout the festival as well as a showcase Saturday night. You can get free instruction to try dancing to Cajun, Puerto Rican, or Celtic music. Learn to contra dance Saturday night. If you get tired, there will be music on every stage until 10 pm. International music will include Persian hammer dulcimer and drums, Jamaican reggae, Spanish flamenco, Korean drums, Balkan harmonies, Japanese zithers, and Armenian dancers. You and your family will be sure to find something you like!

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The Washington Folk Festival is brought to you, in part, through the generous support of the Carl M. Freeman Foundation and the John W. & Clara C. Higgins Foundation.

**GETTING THERE:**

Take Metro to the Friendship Heights Station, and walk one block to the Geico parking lot (pass Hecht's on your way; Geico is across from Lord & Taylor). Or park at the Geico parking lot at 5260 Western Ave., Chevy Chase, MD. There will be free shuttle bus service to the festival.

For more information, visit www.fsgw.org.
FSGW Sings/Swaps & Co-sponsored Events

FSGW Open Sing • Takoma Park, MD

**Friday, June 2 • 8:30 pm**

The June Open Sing will be held at the home of Kathie Mack, with the session led by Dick Rodgers. Dick’s theme will be “Shapes,” like balls, triangles, and squares; extra points for parallelograms! **Info/RSVP:** Kathie Mack at twizzles@starpower.net or 301-270-5367.

**Directions:** Kathie lives on Maple Avenue, only 2 blocks from the Takoma Metro station on the Red Line. It is also only 2-3 blocks from the House of Musical Traditions and only one block south of the intersection of Maple Avenue and MD Rte 410 (the East-West Highway). If you are driving, park anywhere along the street; the permit-only signs do not refer to evenings or weekends. Landmarks: the spiral of lights in the front gable of this 1920s bungalow and the bottle tree amidst the shrubbery in the front yard; also the stone Presbyterian Church at the corner of Maple and Tulip Avenues.

FSGW Gospel Sing • Potomac, MD

**Sunday, June 11 • 4 - 8 pm**

Gospel sings are held the second Sunday of every month at various homes. Singing starts at 4 pm and breaks for a covered supper at 6 pm with more singing after supper. Everyone is welcome! The June Gospel Sing will be at the home of Peggy and Hunter Jones. **Info/directions:** 301-762-6343.

FSGW Storyswap • Falls Church, VA

**Saturday, June 24 • 7:30 pm**

Storytellers and listeners are invited to the home of Ralph & Margaret Chatham for an evening of shared stories and potluck snacks. **Call 703-698-5456 for RSVPs and directions.**

FSGW Sacred Harp Singing • Arlington, VA

**Sunday, June 25 • 4 - 8 pm**

FSGW sponsors free group singings of early American hymns, anthems, and fugues in unaccompanied four-part harmony, monthly on the fourth Sunday. We’ll sing from the 1991 Sacred Harp (loaneer books available) from 4 to 6, share a potluck supper, then sing some more. All are welcome. **At St. Peter’s Episcopal Church, 4250 North Glebe Road. Info: 301-229-8534.**

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**Co-sponsored Events**

Glen Echo International Folkdancers • Glen Echo, MD

**Thursdays • 7:30–10:45 pm**

The Glen Echo International Folkdancers meet Thursday nights at the Church of the Redeemer, 6201 Dunrobbin Drive (next to the shopping center across the street from Glen Echo Park). Lesson at 7:30. Request dancing from 9-10:45. Mostly recorded music. No partner or experience necessary. Wear comfortable clothing and soft-soled shoes. Admission $5.

**Info:** Jamie at 301-320-7099 or dancingplanet@erols.com.

Family Dance • Glen Echo, MD

**Sunday, June 18 • 3-5 pm**

This month’s Family Dance will feature Ann Fallon and Janine Smith calling to music with groove and attitude by Gypsy Meltdown with Colleen Reed on flute and saxophone, Kathy Kerr on fiddle, and Keith Gillis on guitar. Admission is still $5 for the entire afternoon (age 4 and older). The family dance program is a wonderful opportunity to dance with your kids and your community. Bring your entire family, neighbors, church or synagogue group, birthday party, and girl or boy scout troop. Please bring a snack/drink to share. In the Bumper Car Pavilion at Glen Echo Park.

**Info:** call Jamie at 301-320-7099 or dancingplanet@erols.com, or see details at www.dancingplanetproductions.com. Co-sponsored by World Music and Dance Institute and FSGW.
**CONCERTS**

**Saturdays**

**The Kennedys • Westminster, MD**

*Saturday, June 3 • 5:30 pm*


**Indian Summer Showcase: Clan/destine • Washington, DC**

*Saturday, June 3 • 6 - 8 pm*

Clan/destine perform energetic traditional, rock, acoustic, and reggae sounds with the spirit of Native traditions. They have performed throughout the United States, Germany, Australia, Spain, and the United Kingdom. Champion hoop dancer Derrick Davis will perform with the group. Light fare and beverages will be available from the Zagat-rated Mitsitam Native Foods Café. Outdoor Welcome Plaza (Rain location: Potomac Atrium.) Smithsonian's National Museum of the American Indian, 4th St. and Independence Avenue SW. Free and open to the public. **Info**: www.AmericanIndian.si.edu; 202-633-1000.

**Washington Men's Camerata • Washington, DC**

*Saturday, June 3 • 7:30 pm*


**Michael and Carrie Kline • Indian Head, MD**

*Saturday, June 10 • 8 pm*

Michael and Carrie Kline, folk singers and folklorists, perform for the Spotlight Concert Series. At the Indian Head Center for the Arts, Black Box Theatre, 4185 Indian Head Hwy. Tickets $10. **Info**: www.indianheadblackbox.org or 800-494-8497.

**Polyhymnia • Washington, DC and McLean, VA**

*Shared Saturdays, June 3 and June 10 • 8 pm*

Polyhymnia is a twenty-two voice a cappella chamber choir. We perform interesting music rarely heard, and we sound good! The concerts are FREE and relatively short (great opportunity to get your kids to hear live music!), and we feed you snackies afterwards. What's not to love? On the program: Peter Cornelius—mid 19th century parlor music; Josquin des Prez—Renaissance; Arthur Foote—British Romantic; Gyorgy Ligeti—mid 20th c Hungarian. **Info**: Anna Rain 301-779-4273 or Jim Klumpner 301-565-0314.

**June**

3 St Columba's in Tenleytown, 4201 Albemarle St NW, WDC

10 Immanuel Pres Church, 1125 Saville Lane, McLean, VA

**Native Hawaiian Dance in Honor of King Kamehameha • Washington, DC**

*Saturday, June 10 • Noon*

Namakahonuakipiliwale Hula Halau and her sister Halau Keahiokamalulani present the ancient style of hula performed with the drum, in celebration of the lives of King Kamehameha I and other notable Hawaiian royalty. Sponsored by the Hawai'i State Society. Potomac Atrium; Smithsonian's National Museum of the American Indian, 4th St. and Independence Avenue SW. Free and open to the public. **Info**: www.AmericanIndian.si.edu; 202-633-1000.

**Dan Curtis Memorial Concert • Arcadia, MD**

*Saturday, June 24 • 2 to 8 pm*

A concert featuring ten of the top bands in the Baltimore-Washington area with emcee Gary Henderson of WAMU. For over 40 years, Dan Curtis touched the lives of folks in a wide variety of folk music. Although old-timey and bluegrass were his first love, he had a wide range of musical tastes and recently began to become part of the local Irish music scene. BFMS founder Bob Dalsemir has many fond memories of his years playing and performing with Dan. Many current musicians in the area credit Dan with launching their careers. His gentleness and kindness, as well as his musical talents, will be missed by many. At the Arcadia Fire Hall. Admission $12 donation to the Creutzfeldt-Jakob Disease Foundation. **Info**: Alice at 410-467-9116.

**Sundays**

**Polyhymnia • Adelphi and Kensington, MD**

*Sundays, June 4 and 11 • 2:30 pm*

See description for Saturday concerts.

**June**

4 Paint Branch UU Church, 3215 Powder Mill Rd, Adelphi MD

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Concerts & Concert Series continued

**Tuesdays**

Chuck Brodsky • Herndon, VA  
*Tuesday, June 20 • 7 pm*

Known for his dry, barb-witted social commentary, Chuck knows the best stories are the little things in the lives of everyday people trying to muddle through with some grace. His great gift as a writer is to infuse these stories with humanity and humor, making them resonate profoundly with his listeners. Hosted by the Folk Club of Reston-Herndon at the Tortilla Factory Restaurant, 648 Elden St; doors open 6 pm; $12 ($10 Folk Club members). Info: 703-435-2402 or cluba-coustic@cox.net.

**Wednesdays**

The River Boys Polka Band • Washington, DC  
*Wednesday, June 21 • Noon*

*The River Boys Polka Band*, featuring Robert Schmer (accordion), Dave Beitz (hammered dulcimer), Jerry Hergenreder (trombone, vocals) and Steve Deines (bass, vocals), have played traditional Dutch Hop dance music together for ten years. The term “Dutch Hop” can be used generically to describe all of the traditional dance music of the Germans from Russia in Nebraska, Eastern Colorado, and Wyoming. However, specifically, Dutch Hop is the name for their unique, quick-tempo polka dance that includes a slight hop that isn’t present in the polkas of other ethnic traditions. That, and the inclusion of a hammered dulcimer, give the Dutch Hop its unique, lilting sound. In the Coolidge Auditorium, Library of Congress. Info: 202-707-5510 or www.loc.gov/foilklife.

**Thursdays**

Native Dance: Walk Tab Basket Dancers  
*Washington, DC*  
*Thursday, June 29 – Tuesday, July 4 • Noon*

*The Walk Tab Basket Dancers* are a young women’s dance group from the San Xavier District of the Tohono O’odham Nation, located in southern Arizona. They perform dances which illustrate the fine art of Tohono O’odham baskets—made from beargrass, yucca, and devil’s claw. Potomac Atrium; Smithsonian’s National Museum of the American Indian, 4th St. and Independence Avenue SW. Free and open to the public.

Info: www.AmericanIndian.si.edu; 202-633-1000.

**Fridays**

Kaki King • Laurel, MD  
*Friday, June 2 • 8 pm*

*Kaki King*, a dynamic percussive young guitarist who was influenced by her several years of drumming and the music of “fingerstyle giants” — Preston Reed, Michael Hedges, Leo Kottke and Alex DeGrassi as well as younger, somewhat darker players: Nick Drake, Elliott Smith and Mark Kozelek of the Red House Painters. An Epic recording artist, her debut album, *Legs To Make Us Longer*, received rave reviews and she has appeared on David Letterman and Conan O’Brien. At the Montpelier Arts Center, 9652 Muirkirk Road. Tickets $20, 10% discount for seniors and members. Info: 301-953-1993 or www.pgparks.com/places/artsfac/mac.html.

David Norris • Indian Head, MD  
*Friday, June 9 • 8 pm*

*David Norris*, award winning Bluegrass, Folk, and Americana singer songwriter, performs for the Spotlight Concert Series. At the Indian Head Center for the Arts, Black Box Theatre, 4185 Indian Head Hwy. Tickets $10. Info: www.indianheadblackbox.org or 800-494-8497.

Indian Summer Showcase: Redhouse Family Reunion • Washington, DC  
*Friday, June 16 • 6 – 8 pm*

*Siblings Larry, Lenny, Tony, Vince, Charlotte, and Mary* perform contemporary acoustic music that blends Native and non-Native musical traditions with jazz and other contemporary influences. Utilizing sax, bass, piano, drums and percussion, and a highly unique vocal style, the spirit of their tribal heritage infuses the performance of their original work. Light fare and beverages will be available from the Zagat-rated Mitsitam Native Foods Café. Outdoor Welcome Plaza (Rain location: Potomac Atrium); Smithsonian’s National Museum of the American Indian, 4th St. and Independence Avenue SW. Free and open to the public. Info: www.AmericanIndian.si.edu; 202-633-1000.

Kitchen Gorilla • Arlington, VA  
*Friday, June 16 • 7-9 pm*

*Kitchen Gorilla* performs every third Friday. Fiddler Lisa Robinson and guitarist Joel Edelman will play folk tunes from Appalachia, Scandinavia, the Celtic lands, Eastern Europe, and Tin Pan Alley. At Cassatt’s Café, 4536 Lee Hwy. Info: Lisa at 703-861-9991.

Deadline for July 2006 Newsletter: SATURDAY, JUNE 10TH
Concerts & Concert Series continued

CONCERT SERIES

Summer Concert Series • Fairfax County, VA
Free Summer Entertainment in the Parks! The Fairfax County Park Authority presents a summer-long calendar of shows, concerts and movies for you and your family. Bring a picnic dinner, blankets and lawn chairs to enjoy the best in local and regional entertainment. Rain Cancellations: call 703-324-SHOW (7469) one hour prior to the program start time. Info/concert locations: www.fairfaxcountygov.parks.

June
1 Alexandria Kleztet
2 Halau O'Aulani
9 Irish Fire
11 Alt Washingtonia
21 Kalinka
22 Scythian
23 Grkmamia
29 Mahala
30 NoorSaaz

Saturdays

WestSide Café • Frederick, MD
Saturdays • 8 pm
Acoustic music is presented in a non-smoking listening room, open to all ages. At WestSide Café, 1A W. 2nd St. Info: 301-418-6886 or www.westsidcafe.com.

June
2 Kathi Kowski, acoustic pop songwriter from Maryland
10 Angela Taylor and Eric Lewis, shared billing of Baltimore's Angela and Eric from WV
17 ellen cherry, Baltimore pop diva
24 iLyAIMY, duo of Rob Hinkal and Heather Lloyd

Focus Concert Series • Alexandria, VA
Sunday, June 11 • 7 pm
Chris Rosser will perform, with special guests Wilson Montuori and Livio Guardi, at the Focus Inn Alexandria at 2280 N. Beauregard St. (Church of the Resurrection). $15 general, $12 members. Info: Herb at 703-380-3151, herbc1@earthlink.net or www.focusmusic.org.

Institute of Musical Traditions • Rockville, MD
Monday, June 12 • 7:30 pm
Last concert of the season until September. Fairport Acoustic Convention and Silent Auction to Benefit the Institute of Musical Traditions. Enjoy an intimate evening with Fairport Convention's acoustic take on folk-rock music and help raise funds for IMT by bidding in our exciting silent auction featuring a JK28C Jumbo Cutaway Tacoma guitar and a host of other desirable items donated by local artists and merchants. The members of Fairport unplugged are Simon Nicol (guitars, vocal), Chris Leslie (fiddle, mandolin, bouzouki, vocal), and Ric Sanders (violin). Fairport Convention is, of course, renowned as the group that invented the British folk-rock genre. Blending a mellow mix of old and new, favorite Fairport compositions and traditional songs and tunes, the band takes diversions into jazz standards and swing classics.

Mondays

Music Matters Showcase • Columbia and College Park, MD
Saturdays, June 3 and 10
Music Matters Showcases spotlight several musicians and styles in one night. You'll hear an eclectic mix of styles of music featured. Discover award winning artists and exciting new talent. Showcase is free; donations can be given to support Bread for the City's work with the homeless.
Info: www.josephisaacs.com or 410-964-0671.

June
3 Mile High Jupiter, Murray & Hatley, Tim Kaye, At Premier English Coffee, 8827 Centre Park Drive, Columbia MD. 12 to 3 pm

10 Mile High Jupiter, Matt Rodela, and Dharma Bums, At Mad City Café, 10801 Hickory Ridge Road, Columbia, MD. 7 to 10 pm.

10 Joe Isaacs plays Perkapolooza At College Perk, 9078 Baltimore Avenue (Route 1), College Park MD. 8 to 11 pm

Sundays

WestSide Café • Frederick, MD
Sundays • 8 pm
Acoustic music is presented in a non-smoking listening room, open to all ages. At WestSide Café, 1A W. 2nd St. Info: 301-418-6886 or www.westsidcafe.com.

June
4 Steve Key, veteran DC folksinger-writer
11 Hard Swimmin' Fish, Frederick-based blues trio
18 Bill Mulroney & Second Wind, Fathers Day show featuring folksinger-Grandfather
25 Stephen Simmons, Nashville alt.country writer

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Concerts & Concert Series continued

At Saint Mark Presbyterian Church, 10701 Old Georgetown Road. Admission $20 in advance, $25 at the door. Info: 301-754-3611 or www.imtfolk.org.

WestSide Café • Frederick, MD Mondays • 8 pm
Steve Key hosts showcases of up to seven acts playing 3-song sets, and a featured act playing a 45-minute set at 9 pm. At WestSide Café, 1A W. 2nd St. Info: 301-418-6886 or www.westside-Café.com.

June
5 Dave LeFever, PA songwriter inspired by Woody Guthrie, the Carter Family and Townes VanZandt.
12 Chris Rosser, multi-instrumentalist of the band Free Planet Radio
19 Richard Broadbent, Maryland woodworker-turned-songwriter
26 Vickie Russell, New England singer-keyboardist

Wednesdays

Focus Concert Series • Rockville, MD Wednesdays, June 14 and 28 • 8 pm
At “Focus Presents Vic’s Music Corner” at O’Brien’s BBQ, 387 E. Gude Drive. $15 general, $12 members. Contact: David at focusrockville@earthlink.net, 301-275-7459, or www.focusmusic.org.

June
14 James Keelaghan, with special guests Randall Williams and Claudia SanSoucie
28 Jack Williams with special guest Vickie Russell

Thursdays

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June
1 Little Pink, the acoustic trio version of the band headed by DC’s Mary Battiata
8 Rana Mansour, Toni Scola, Patty Reese; three DC-area songwriters share the stage for an in-the-round songswap.
15 Rachael Sage, NYC acoustic pop songwriter
22 Diana Jones, trad-inspired writer in the Gillian Welch style
29 Abi Tapia and Laura Secker, a split bill of Austin’s Abi and Alexandria’s Laura

Baldwin’s Station • Sykesville, MD Thursdays, June 8 and 15 • 8 pm
At Baldwin’s Station, 7618 Main St., Sykesville, MD 21784. Info: 410-795-1041 or www.uptownconcerts.com.

June
8 Fairport Convention Trio featuring Simon Nicol, Ric Sanders & Chris Leslie, $25
15 Brooks Williams, $22

333 Coffeehouse • Annapolis, MD Friday, April 21 • 8 pm
Max Ochs and Neil Harpe Blues Jam. Neil Harpe, from Annapolis, has been playing fingerstyle country blues and ragtime guitar since the 1960s. Max Ochs, a songwriter, poet and musician, has spent over three decades composing and performing his own songs and playing acoustic blues and folk. Admission is $10; $5 for students and seniors. The 333 Coffeehouse is a nonprofit alcohol-free listening room run by volunteers. It offers a variety of local and regional talent on the third Friday of every month at the Unitarian Universalist Church of Annapolis, 333 DuBois Avenue, off Bestgate Road. Info: www.fsgw.org/333/ or call 443-786-0463.

WestSide Café • Frederick, MD Fridays • 8 pm
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June
2 Krista Detor, Indiana singer-keyboardist, with opening act Bob Sima of the MD band, Stereopool
9 Lea and Justice Cammack, split bill of Maryland songwriters
16 Terry Garland, Virginia bluesman, with opener Russ Rentler, internist-turned-songwriter
23 Kate McDonnell, Appalseed recording artist
30 Susan Jones Trio, headed by DC-area jazz violinist

Deadline for July 2006 Newsletter: SATURDAY, JUNE 10TH
Dances

CONTRA

Sundays
The FSGW Sunday Night Dances are listed on page 2.

Wednesdays
BFMS Lovely Lane Contra Dance • Baltimore, MD

Lovely Lane Church, 2200 St. Paul St., Baltimore, MD. Sponsored by the Baltimore Folk Music Society. All dances are taught and walked through. Beginners are always welcome and are encouraged to arrive promptly at 8 pm. Free contra orientation at 7 pm on 2nd and 4th Wednesdays. Nationally known musicians and callers appear regularly. Admission is $7 for BFMS/FSGW members; $10 for non-members. $2 student discount. Info: www.bfms.org or Dan Katz at 410-987-1351 or 410-353-8361.

June
7 Dave Colestock livens things up with Glickman's Irish
14 Anna Rain returns to lead a hot time with Skidu
21 Susan Taylor calls for the talented Dave Weisler, David Knight and Andrew Marcus
28 Nils Fredland is back in town to call to the hot sounds of House Red

Fridays

Friday Night Contra Dance • Glen Echo, MD

The Friday Night Dancers, in cooperation with the National Park Service, Montgomery County & the Glen Echo Park Partnership for Arts and Culture, sponsor contra dances with occasional squares and couple dances to live music in Glen Echo Park's Spanish Ballroom. The new dancer class starts at 7:30 pm. Admission price is $8. To play for or call a dance, send an email to fndgigs@petml.com. Info: www.fridaynightdance.org.

June
2 Shawn Brenneman calls to the Morrison Brothers - Owen Morrison (acoustic/electric guitars, mandolin), Jim Morrison (fiddle, guitar) and Will Morrison (percussion). Hot music from a family from down the Valley.
9 George Marshall calls to the fabulous Glen Echo Open Band
16 Ann Fallon with Waverley Station – David Knight (fiddle), Liz Donaldson (piano), Ralph Gordon (bass). A high energy band featuring local talent with years of experience delighting Glen Echo dancers.
23 Gaye Fifer calls to Hotpoint - Mark Burhans (fiddle), Hilarie Burhans (banjo), Marlene Shostak (piano) Mark Hellenberg (percussion), Nick Weiland (bass). This is one of our most requested bands, returning to Glen Echo after a great dance last June!
30 Nils Fredland calls to House Red – Owen Morrison (guitar, mandolin), Shawn Brenneman (piano), Jonathan Thielen (fiddle). “Energetic, driving dance music to make you wanna move!”

Locust Lane Contra • Harrisburg, PA

2nd, 4th & sometimes 5th Fridays • 8-11 pm
All ages and experience levels welcome. Light refreshments provided, snack donations add to the atmosphere. Free new dancers workshop from 7:30 to 8 pm, dance 8-11 pm. Students $4, adults $9.
Dance schedule and directions: http://locustlanecontra.freeservers.com/ or call 717-975-2758.

Saturdays

Family Dance • Pikesville, MD

Saturday, June 10 • 5 pm
Greg Frock calls to music by Intelligent DeZarn and the Natural Selections. Sponsored by the Baltimore Folk Music Society. At St. Marks on the Hill Parish Hall, 1620 Reisterstown Road, Pikesville, 0.5 miles from Exit 20 South, Baltimore Beltway. Admission $4 BFMS members, $5 non-members. Family maximum is $16 for member families, and $20 for non-member families. Group discounts available for Scout troops and youth groups. A pot luck dinner follows the dance at 6:30. Last dance until October.
Info: Diane at 410-321-8419 or familydance@bfms.org.

Second Saturday Contra • Pikesville, MD

Saturday, June 10 • 8-11 pm
Greg Frock calls to music by Intelligent DeZarn and the Natural Selections. Come at 7:15 and enjoy socializing with old and new friends at the ice cream social! Great ice cream and all the fixings will start your evening off on a sweet note. Sponsored by the Baltimore Folk Music Society. $10/$7 BFMS members & affiliates; $2 student discount. Beginners workshop at 7:45. At St. Marks on the Hill Parish Hall, 1620 Reisterstown Road, Pikesville, 0.5 miles from Exit 20 South, Baltimore Beltway. Info: satdance@bfms.org, www bfms.org or call Diane at 410-321-8419.

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**WASHINGTON FOLK FESTIVAL**

| 8 | 7  Westside Café Concert  8  David Norris Concert  8  Harrisburg, PA Contra  8  Drum Circle, WV  8:30  Friday Night Contra  8:30  Greenbelt Intl Folk Dance | 12  Native Hawaiian Dance Demo  1  Archie Edwards Blues Jam  5  Baltimore Family Dance  7  Music Matters Showcase  7:30  Fairfax Celili Dance  8  Michael & Carrie Kline Concert  8  Polyhymnia Concert  8  Baltimore Contra (St. Mark’s)  8  Burke, VA Circle Dance  8  Westside Café Concert
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Washington Ethical Society (WES)
Auditorium. 7750 16th St., NW, just south of the intersection of Kalmia Rd. and 16th St., about four blocks inside the DC/MD line.

From the Beltway: Take the Georgia Avenue South exit. Stay in either right lane. Go 0.4 miles from the exit ramp, where the right lanes curve and put you on 16th St South. Follow 16th past East-West Hwy (Rte 410); cross the MD/DC line at Portal Dr. Kalmia Road is the first traffic signal south of the line, and WES is the second building on the right after you cross Kalmia. You may park on Kalmia Road by turning right at the light, or on either side of 16th St.

By Metro: Red Line to Silver Spring. Exit and walk southwest on Colesville Road two blocks to the traffic circle; cross 16th Street, then walk south 4 blocks on 16th Street to the Washington Ethical Society, 7750 16th St., the second building on the right after Kalmia Road, NW. If you’d rather not walk, an S-4 Metrobus will deliver you to the corner of Kalmia Rd. and 16th St.

Spanish Ballroom/Bumper Car Pavilion, Glen Echo Park. 7300 MacArthur Blvd. at Goldsboro Rd. in Glen Echo, MD.

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By public transportation: Take the #29 bus from the Friendship Heights Metro Station. Ask the driver to let you know when to get off for Glen Echo Park. The bus stops running before the dance ends. Ask the dance coordinator to announce you need a ride. We’ve never left anybody at the park. Last bus leaves Friendship Heights Metro at 7:30 pm.

In the event of inclement weather, call the Part at 301-320-2330 after 3 pm for possible cancellation if the Park closes.

Glen Echo Town Hall
6106 Harvard St., Glen Echo, MD:

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Lancaster Contra Dance • PA  
Saturday, June 17 • 7-10 pm
Barb Kirchner calls to music by Raise the Roof. At Pavilion #11 in Lancaster County Park, Lancaster, PA. Potluck dinner at 5:30 pm, Beginners workshop at 6:15 pm. Admission $7/$4. Info: call Shane 717-431-7417 or email Shirley at sam@mcc.org. www.lancastercontra.org

Bluemont Dance • Purcellville, VA
No dances until October. Info: www.bluemont.org or 703-777-6306.

ATDS (Annapolis) 3rd Saturday Contra
• Severna Park, MD  
Saturday, June 17 • 8-11 pm
The Hot Square Babes (Ann Fallon, Janine Smith, and Laura Brown) call some Hot Squares to the music of the New Southern Cowtippers. Free dance lesson at 7:30, $7 members, $10 non-members. At the Holy Grounds Youth Center at the Community Center, 617 Baltimore-Annapolis Blvd. Info: www.contradancers.com/atds, 410-451-1791, or pshaf@yahoo.com.

Frederick Contra Dance • Frederick, MD  
Saturday, June 24 • 8 pm
Gaye Fifer will call dances to music by Hotpoint String Band. Dance is held at the Trinity school near Harry Grove Stadium. Admission $7; under 16 $3. Beginners workshop at 7 pm. Info/directions: www.contradancers.com or call Boe Walker at 301-694-6794.

English Country

Mondays

English Country Dance (BFMS) • Pikesville, MD  
Mondays • 8-10:30 pm
English Country Dancing is joyous, lively movement to elegant music in a friendly, informal setting. The figures are simple, and each dance is taught and walked through. New dancers are always welcome. Sponsored in part by the Maryland State Arts Council. Admission: $7 for Members, $10 for Non-members, $2 student discount. St. Mark's on the Hill Parish Hall, 1620 Reisterstown Road, 0.5 miles from Exit 20 South, Baltimore Beltway. Info: Carl Friedman at 410-321-8419 or engdance@bfms.org.

June
12 Caller Liz Donaldson with Carl Friedman, Karin Loya, Judy Meyers
19 Caller Susan Taylor with Marty Taylor, Carl Friedman, Michael Friedman
26 Caller Rich Galloway with Edie Stern, Robin Wilson, Julie Gorka

Tuesdays

English Country Dance • Herndon, VA  
2nd and 4th Tuesdays • 7:45-10 pm
No 4th Tuesday dance this month. At Harding Hall, 730 Jackson St. Herndon, VA. Workshop includes figures, phrasing and style. Live music (guest musicians welcome—call in advance). $3. No partner or experience necessary. Info/musicians: Barbara Harding at 703-437-3615.

Wednesdays

FSGW English Country Dance • Glen Echo, MD See the listing on page 4.

Alpine/Swiss

Sundays

Swiss Folklore Group • NW Washington, DC  
2nd and 4th Wednesdays • 7:30-9 pm
Open dance at the Swiss Embassy, 2900 Cathedral Ave, NW. No partner needed, taped music, free. Info: 301-530-5643 or email: franw@olg.com

Ceili/Irish

Irish Set Dancing • Rockville, MD  
Thursdays • 7:30-9:30 pm
At the Frost Center, 4915 Aspen Hill Rd, Rockville. Beginners' Orientation: 7:30-8:00, Class: 8-9:30. Cost

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is in form of a $30 donation to Frost Center School each semester (10 classes). Sponsored by Greater Washington Ceili Club. Info: Paul O'Donnell at 301-649-6410 or www.gwcc-online.org.

2nd Saturday Ceili • Fairfax, VA
Dance 7:30 pm, Workshop 7-7:30 pm
Comhaltas Ceoltóirí Éireann (CCE) sponsors this dance at Green Acres Center, 4401 Sideburn Road, Fairfax, VA (New location!) The Bog Wanderers Ceili Band plays. Free tea, coffee, sodabread. Admission: Members $10, non-members $12, 6-16 $6; maximum family charge $25. Info: Kendra Swann 703-490-5207.

INTERNATIONAL

Mondays
Bethesda International Folk Dancers • MD
Mondays • 7:30–10 pm
Join a friendly group to learn dances from Bulgaria, Romania, Israel, Armenia, Russia, Hungary, Croatia, and Scandinavian countries. No partner necessary. All ages and levels of expertise welcome. Mostly recorded with occasional live music. Admission $5. Bring refreshments to share. Leland Community Center, 4301 Willow Lane, Bethesda. When the Montgomery County schools are closed, our classes at Leland cannot meet. For a recorded message call for Info: Phyllis or Brandon Diamond. 301-871-8788, email diamonddancecircle@comcast.net, website www.diamonddancecircle.com

Sacred Circle Dance • Bethesda, MD
Mondays • 7:30–9 pm
Sacred circle dance integrates body, mind, and spirit in a moving meditation. It will relax and rejuvenate; challenge and charm; lift your heart and feed your soul with new and ancient dances from many cultures, and recorded music from six continents. For beginning and experienced dancers alike; every dance is taught each time. $10. River Road Unitarian Church on Whittier Blvd near the intersection with River Road. Info: Tuppence Blackwell at 703-379-2992 or eb13@umail.umd.edu.

Tuesdays
Circle Dance • Arlington, VA
Tuesdays • 7:45–9:45 pm
Circle dances draw on the traditions of many cultures that honor our connection to the earth and the cycle of the seasons, including Balkan, Rom, and Latin American. Recorded music. No partners necessary. All levels welcome and all dances are taught. Arlington Unitarian Universalist Church at the corner of Route 50 and George Mason Dr. $10 per session or purchase a block of sessions at reduced cost. Info: Judie David at 703-451-2595 or Vedavid@starpower.net.

Arlington International Folk Dancing • VA
Tuesdays • 8–10 pm
Key Elementary School, off Veitch St. between Wilson and Key near the Courthouse Road Metro, Arlington, VA Admission $5. Recorded music. Instruction, walk-throughs, and requests. Singles welcome and all ages or levels of expertise. Info: 703-527-8998 or sstulberg@earthlink.net

Wednesdays
Columbia International Folk Dancing • MD
Wednesdays • 8–10:30 pm
Kahler Hall, Beaverkill Rd. at Harper’s Farm Rd., Columbia, MD. Admission $3. Recorded music. Beginners welcome. Teaching until 9 pm. We have parties and workshops. Info: 410-997-1613 (night), or 301-495-4642 (day).

Chevy Chase International Folk Dancers • Washington, DC
Thursdays • 7:30–9:30 pm
Chevy Chase Community Center, 5601 Connecticut Ave, NW, Washington DC (Connecticut Ave. at McKinley St., 2 blocks south of Chevy Chase Circle). Instruction and walk-throughs until 8:30. All levels welcome. No partner necessary. Recorded music. Leader Roland Forbes. Info: Jackie Davis 301-424-8827 or Naomi Rogers 301-438-0063.

Mount Vernon International Folk Dancing • Alexandria, VA
Thursdays • 8–10 pm
Beginners, intermediate, advanced all are welcome! Basic teaching 8-8:30 pm, followed by requests, walk-throughs, advanced instruction. Join a friendly, diverse group on a beautiful dance floor. Donation $2.50. Mount Vernon Unitarian Church, 1909 Windmill Lane, Alexandria, VA. Info: 703-780-2393 or kkrogh@aol.com.

Fridays
Greenbelt International Folk Dancing • MD
Fridays • 8:30–11 pm
Focusing on dances from Eastern and Western Europe, Scandinavia, and the Mediterranean. No partner or experience necessary. Teaching from 8:30 to 9:15 pm, request dancing 9:15 to 11 pm. Mostly
Dances continued

recorded music. Greenbelt Community Center Dance Studio (beautiful wooden floor!), 15 Crescent Rd., Greenbelt, MD. Admission $5. Info: Larry Weiner 301-565-0539 or weiner@erols.com; John Robinson 410-715-9210; and John Bartholomew 301-565-3650.

Saturdays

International Dance Potpourri • Glen Echo, MD
Sunday, June 25 • 2:30-6:00 pm
The World Music and Dance Institute presents an International Dance Potpourri. There will be a lesson of basic Bulgarian dances starting at 2:30 pm, followed by dancing to live music from 3:30-6 pm. Admission $10. In the Spanish Ballroom at Glen Echo Park. Info: 301-466-3018, dancingplanet@erols.com, or www.dancingplanetproductions.com.

Israeli Dancing • Potomac, MD
Wednesdays • 8:15-10 pm

Israeli Dancing • Greenbelt, MD
Saturday, June 24 • 8:15-11 pm

Morris

Bluemont Morris • Reston, VA
Mondays • 7-8:30 pm
A group of men and women who do traditional Morris dances in the spring and fall. The group is fun and the dancing is addictive and great exercise. Info: Laura 703-845-8536 or http://monticello.avenue.org/amm/

Rock Creek Morris Women • Silver Spring, MD
Wednesdays • 7:30 pm
Learn to dance in the ancient English tradition of morris, and you’ll get all the aerobics you need. Join a strong community that dances, plays, sings, and drinks together. At Montgomery Knolls Elementary School. Info: 301-927-6373, louisenue@earthlink.net or www.uswet.com/RCMW.html

Foggy Bottom Morris Men • Silver Spring, MD
Thursdays • 8-10 pm
Learn and perform traditional dances from English villages, long-sword, and seasonal mumming too. As long as you enjoy dance and movement you can experience the vigorous thrill of the Morris! We welcome new and slightly used dancers at practices and at the Quarry House afterwards. Highland View Elementary School, 9010 Providence Ave. Info: Jud McIntire at 703-528-0588, Bill Brown at 301-270-2014 or www.fbmorris.org.

Scandinavian

Norwegian Dancing House Party • Takoma Park, MD
Saturday, June 17 • 8 pm
Norwegian springars are quite different from the familiar Swedish hambo. Mesmerizing music on the unique Hardanger fiddle, w/4 or 5 sympathetic strings located underneath the bowed strings (see www.hfaa.org). Please bring clean shoes for dancing, food to share, and a little money to chip in. No need to bring a partner. Beginners welcome. Potluck dinner at 6:30 pm, dancing at 8 pm. Host is Loretta Kelley, 6807 Westmoreland Ave, Takoma Park, 301-270-4925. For info contact Jenny, pi@xenu.net or 301-371-4312.

Scottish


Scottish Country Dance • Bethesda, MD
Mondays • 8-10 pm
NIH Building T-39 (Dance and Aerobic Center). Call/email in advance for directions. Info: John MacLeod, 301-622-5945 or blackolav@cs.com and Betty Lee Barnes, 202-966-3595 or Thistledance@starpower.net.

Scottish Country Dance • Greenbelt, MD
Tuesdays • 8-10 pm
Greenbelt Community Center. Info: Jennifer Mayrovitz at 410-922-6369 or rjmayro@erols.com

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Dances continued

Scottish Country Dance • Alexandria, VA
  **Wednesdays • 8-10 pm**
  The Durant Center, Cameron St., Alexandria, VA. Be sure to confirm class date (school events may preempt). **Info: Carol Porter, 703-379-5779.**

**SQUARE**

Taylor Made Squares • Silver Spring, MD
  **Tuesdays • 8-9:30 pm**
  Betsy Taylor calls squares to recorded music at the Long Branch Community Center, Piney Branch Rd., Silver Spring, MD. Wood floor. No experience or partner necessary. **Info: 301-589-4868.**

Hot Squares in the Olde Towne Tonight
  **College Park, MD**
  No Hot Squares in June, July, or August. See you in September!!
  **Info: 410-268-0231, 301-762-2231, squaredancers@comcast.net or www.home.comcast.net/~SquareDancers.**

Waltz/Ballroom/Swing/Cajun

Sunday Afternoon Waltz • Glen Echo, MD
  **Sundays, June 11 and 25 • 3-6 pm**
  Dance in the Spanish Ballroom at Glen Echo Park, MD to a lively mix of folk waltzes with a few other couple dances, including Hambo, Schottische, Swing, Tango, and Polka. The fun begins at 3 pm with a half-hour introductory Waltz lesson followed by 2 1/2 hours of social dancing. Admission $8. **Info: www.dancedc.com or call Glen Echo Park at 301-634-2222.**

**June**

11  Waltzing Stars
25  Cabaret Sauvignon

Cajun Dance and Concert Series • Silver Spring
  **Monday, June 12 • 7:30-10:30 pm**
  For June, the First Thursday Cajun Dance and Concert Series moves to a Monday so that we can feature the Pine Leaf Boys from Louisiana. They played last month to a large and enthusiastic crowd, and are returning to our delight. At Los Arrieros Restaurant & Night Club, 7926 Georgia Ave. Parking in rear lot off Blair Rd. and on Georgia Ave. The restaurant specializes in Dominican, Colombian, and Mexican Cuisines. $15. Dance lesson during the break/no partner or dance experience necessary. **Info: 301-585-8813.**

Washington Swing Dance Committee
  **• Glen Echo, MD**
  **Saturday, June 17 • 8 pm-12 am**
  Dance to the music of the J Street Jumpers (www.jstreetjumpers.com). No partner or dance experience is necessary. All ages are welcome. Introductory lesson from 8 to 9 pm. In the Spanish Ballroom at Glen Echo Park. Admission $12. **Info: 301-340-9732, wsdcswings@yahoo.com or www.wsdco.org.**

Father’s Day Mad Hot Ballroom Tea Dance
  **• Glen Echo, MD**
  **Sunday, June 18 • 3-6 pm**
  This month only we are on the third Sunday Afternoon (as opposed to the usual second Sunday). **Marc Shepanek and Ellen Engle, AKA Flying Feet Enterprises, present the music of the roaring 1920s and sophisticated 1930s by the LaSalle Dance Orchestra. You’ll surprise yourself with how much fun you’ll have being Fred and Ginger for a day! Whether it’s a sophisticated swing, a passionate tango, a romantic waltz, or one of the other exciting rhythms the band plays, you’re guaranteed an afternoon of wonderful dancing. Beginning Dance lesson is 3-3:30 pm (participants choose what dance they want the lesson to be), followed by dancing from 3:30-6 pm. $8/person. In the Spanish Ballroom at Glen Echo Park. Info: www.flyingfeet.org or 301-299-8728.**

Swing Dance with Lush Life! • Glen Echo, MD
  **Saturday, June 24 • 8 pm – 12 am**
  Enjoy a wonderful evening of slow, medium and fast swing with Washington area swing dance favorites, Lush Life! Dance lesson from 8 to 9 with Marc Shepanek and Ellen Engle, AKA Flying Feet Enterprises. Dance from 9-midnight. Admission $13. In the Spanish Ballroom at Glen Echo Park. **Info: www.flyingfeet.org or 301-299-8728.**
Dance Classes

**Mondays**

Ballroom Basics for Adults • North Bethesda, MD  
**Mondays • 6:45-7:45 pm**

Ballroom Basics for Adults will introduce first-timers, and offer review to those with a background in ballroom dance. From proper hold to combinations of choreography across a large dance floor, this class will take you from an amateur to an accomplished dancer.

Taught by a National Pro/Am Champion, Alice Dessauer, these classes are ongoing and will cover all that you will need to know in order to become the best dancer that you possibly can. This spring and summer will concentrate on the smooth dances—waltz, foxtrot, tango, and quickstep. Dances will be added and modified to meet the needs of students. At the Music Center at Strathmore Hall, 5301 Tuckerman Lane. Admission $15 per person, per class. Info: [www.dancemoreinternational.com](http://www.dancemoreinternational.com), danceafax@aol.com, or call 301-257-3341.

Latin Dance Sampler • Glen Echo, MD  
**Mondays June 19-July 3 • 7:30-8:30 pm**

An introduction to Latin dancing – Meringue, Salsa, Rumba, Samba — it just takes a little know-how! Vote on which dances you want to be taught. Emphasis on leading/following, having fun. No partner/ experience required. Unique skills/steps taught in each section. No partner required. In the Spanish Ballroom at Glen Echo Park. $26 per person for 3 weeks. Info: [www.flyingfeet.org](http://www.flyingfeet.org) or 301-299-8728.

Lindy Hop (Big Band Swing! From the 1920s through the 1940s) • Glen Echo, MD  
**Mondays, June 19-August 7 • 8:30-9:30 pm**

If you enjoyed Mad Hot Ballroom or those great old movies with Fred Astaire and Ginger Rogers, this class is for you. Lindy Hop is a wonderful introduction to Swing Dancing, Swing Music and dance etiquette! This 8 week class starts with Jitterbug (6 count swing) and quickly moves to Lindy Hop (8 count swing). Learn swing outs and, Lindy circles, echo kicks, and tandem Charleston, as well as a showstopper or two! Emphasis on fun! No partner or experience required. Pre-registration appreciated but not required, walks-ins welcome. $70 per person for 8 weeks. Info: [www.flyingfeet.org](http://www.flyingfeet.org) or 301-299-8728.

**Tuesdays**

Beginning Scandinavian Dance Class  
• Bethesda, MD  
**Tuesdays, June 6 and 27 • 8-9:30 pm**


Intermediate Waltz • Glen Echo, MD  
**Thursdays, June 8 - July 6 • 6-7 pm**

Instructors Donna Barker & Mike Marcotte teach new moves for intermediate level folk waltzers, including scissors, optical illusion, grapevine, pivots, whip and free spins. No partner required. $55 for 5 weeks. In the Spanish Ballroom at Glen Echo Park. Pay at the door or call 301-634-2226 to pre-register.  
Info: [www.dancedc.com](http://www.dancedc.com) or donna@dancedc.com.

Intermediate Swing • Glen Echo, MD  
**Thursdays, June 8 - July 6 • 8-9 pm**

Donna Barker & Mike Marcotte continue to build on the basics of this popular dance, adding creative footwork, advanced 6-count moves, and new 8-count figures with emphasis on technique, musicality, and improving frame and connection. For dancers who completed beginning Swing or are competent with 6-count triple swing footwork. No partner needed. $55 for 5 weeks. In the Spanish Ballroom at Glen Echo Park. Pay at the door or call 301-634-2226 to pre-register.  
Info: [www.dancedc.com](http://www.dancedc.com) or donna@dancedc.com.

Beginning Lindy • Glen Echo, MD  
**Thursdays, June 8 - July 6 • 9-10 pm**

Donna Barker and Mike Marcotte will teach Beginning Lindy, the Swing dancer’s next step for getting the most enjoyment from Swing music and dance! This class teaches the 8-count swingout/whip and its many variations. Charleston figures and 6-count Lindy moves are all seamlessly woven into the dance. Recommended for dancers already competent with 6-count Swing. No partner required. $45 for 4 weeks. In the Spanish Ballroom at Glen Echo Park. Pay at the door or call 301-634-2226 to pre-register.  
Info: [www.dancedc.com](http://www.dancedc.com) or donna@dancedc.com.

Glen Echo Blues • Glen Echo, MD  
**Sundays, June 18 and July 2 • 7-11 pm**

Donna Barker and Mike Marcotte offer ideas for you to dance to those slow, bluesy tunes and enjoy a Blues Dance each night after the class. Each workshop is drop-in with different concepts each week to refine your technique of leading or following. No partner required. Class from 7-8:30 pm, dance to DJ music until 11 pm. $14 lesson and dance; $6 dance only (subject to change for live music); pay at the door. In the Spanish Ballroom at Glen Echo Park.  
Info: [www.dancedc.com](http://www.dancedc.com) or donna@dancedc.com.
Jams/Open Mics/Audience Participation

Listed by Day of the Week

Saturdays

Archie Edwards Blues Jam • Washington, DC
Saturdays • 1 pm
The Archie Edwards Blues Heritage Foundation holds an acoustic blues jam almost every Saturday afternoon, starting about 1 pm. All skill levels welcome. 2007 Bunkerhill Road, NE, Washington, DC. Info/confirmation: 202-526-7539.

Scottish Traditional Music Jam • Wheaton, MD
1st Sundays • 3–6 pm
Scottish traditional music jam, first Sundays, Royal Mile Pub, 2407 Price Avenue. Musicians welcome. Info: John Ward at 301-277-6220 or fidhle@iamdigex.net.

CABOMA Jam • Arlington, VA
2nd and 4th Sundays • 2 pm
Capitol Area Bluegrass and Old-Time Music Association (CABOMA) holds jams the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month. Lyon Park Community Center, corner of N. Filmore and Pershing, Arlington, VA. Info: Dave at 301-274-3441.

Singing Party and Pot Luck • Columbia, MD
Sunday, June 11 • 4 pm
The Llanso family will host a singing party and potluck dinner open to all! Please bring a song or two to share with others. Chorus songs preferred. Instruments are welcome. 7548 Rain Flower Way, Columbia, MD 21046. RSVP appreciated: 410-321-8419.

Dupont Music Circle • Alexandria, VA
Sunday, June 18 • 3 pm
Since 1983 the informal Dupont Music Circle has met to sing and play English, Scottish, Welsh, Irish, Quebecois, American, and other traditional music just for fun. Usually on third Sundays. Info/confirmation: Liz at 703-658-0957.

Hammer Dulcimer Jam • McLean, VA
Sunday, June 25 • 2–5 pm
Hammer dulcimer players meet monthly at the Dolley Madison Library to swap tunes and play together. Other acoustic instruments welcome. Info: Heli at 703-689-3477, heliel@earthlink.net, or http://pages.prodigy.net/holsopple.

Mondays

Monthly Children's Irish Music Session
• Gaithersburg, MD
2nd Mondays • 7-8:30 pm
More advanced players (without music) until 9 pm Karen Ashbrook leads a session at Mrs. O'Leary's Pub, 555 Quince Orchard Dr (corner of Quince Orchard and Old Clopper Rd). It is a smoke-free environment with great food and plenty of space to bring the whole family. Musicians get free ginger ale! Contact Karen for a booklet of the tunes. Info: www.karenashbrook.com, 301/592-0101, mail@karenashbrook.com

Monthly Children's Irish Music Jam Session • Accokeek, MD
2nd Mondays • 6:30–8 pm
Come out to National Colonial Farm and join the fun! We will meet at the Farm's Staff Office until the new Education Center is open. Look for signs. National Colonial Farm is located at 3400 Bryan Point Road in Accokeek, MD. Info: 301-283-0167 or p.addamiano-carts@att.net.

Sea Chantey Open Pub Sing • Wheaton, MD
1st Tuesdays • 8 pm
The Ship's Company chanteymen host an open mike sea chantey at Royal Mile Pub, 2407 Price Avenue in Wheaton. No cover/minimum; arrive early for a table. Participation encouraged but not mandatory. Requests are honored if possible. Mostly a capella but instruments are welcome. Info: Myron Peterson at ructic@yahoo.com/www.shipscompany.org

Folk Club of Herndon-Reston • Herndon, VA
Tuesdays • 7:30–9:45 pm
Tortilla Factory, 648 Elden Street, Herndon, VA. Open mic format. Each performer gets 12 minutes (including setup time). $1 donation. 2nd Tuesday includes a 25-minute member showcase. Smoke-free environment. Info: 703-435-2402.

Change Ringing • near Frederick, MD
Tuesday, June 6 • 7 pm
What's change ringing? The English folk tradition of using tower bells to ring beautiful mathematical patterns (not melodies). It's surprisingly pleasing to the ear. Handbells are used for home/pub practice and for the fun additional challenge of keeping track of where two bells go in the pattern. At Jenny Foster's house near Frederick, MD. NS, ND, cats in residence. Info: 301-371-4312 or pi@xecu.net.

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**Wednesdays**

Laurel Jam Session • Laurel, MD

*2nd and 4th Wednesdays • 7-10 pm*

Adults who enjoy acoustic music are invited to come and sing, play, or listen to folk, bluegrass, and other traditional music in an informal setting. Phelps Senior Center, 701 Montgomery Street. Info: 301-776-6168 during business hours.

Women’s A Cappella Chorus • Brooklyn Park, MD

*Wednesdays • 7-10 pm*

The Harbor City Music Company, a women’s a cappella chorus, is seeking motivated singers in all voice parts. Women who love to sing and perform are always welcome. Rehearsals are held at the Chesapeake Center, 194 Hammonds Lane in Brooklyn Park, MD. Call 800-856-9868 or visit www.harb orcitymusiccompany.org

Arlington Jam • VA

*3rd Wednesdays • 7-10:30 pm*

Fiddles, guitars, all instruments welcome! Intermediate and advanced players interested in old-time, blues, Scandinavian, swing, and other styles. First Friday and third Wednesday at 1909 N. Ohio Street, Arlington, VA. Info: Lilli Vincenz, 703-532-2731 or FiddlerLilli@zzapp.org.

Open Mic Nite • Alexandria, VA

*3rd Wednesdays • 7 pm*

St. Elmos Coffee Pub, 2300 Mt. Vernon Avenue. 3rd Wednesdays, hosted by Michelle Swan. Two songs each. All are welcome. Signup starts at 7. Info: 703-739-9268 or mswan64@yahoo.com.

Sea Chantey Open Pub Sing • Baltimore, MD

*2nd Wednesdays • 8 pm*

The Ship’s Company chanteymen host an open mike sea chantey at The Drummer's Lot (Maryland Inn), Main Street, Annapolis. Participation encouraged but not mandatory. Requests are honored if possible. Info: Myron Peterson at ructic@yahoo.com or www.shipsc ompany.org

**Fridays**

Open Mic • Olney, MD

*1st and 3rd Fridays • 7-10 pm*


Arlington Jam! • VA

*1st Fridays • 7-10:30 pm*

See Wednesday listing.

Glen Echo Open Band • Glen Echo, MD

*Friday, June 9 • 8:30-11:30 pm*

The fabulous Glen Echo Open Band plays for the second Friday contra dance. All instruments and levels of ability are welcome. Find recordings, tunebook names and page numbers of tunes played by the Open Band on a new website, www.openbandonline.com. The site works best using iTunes on a PC or a Mac. Info: www.fridaynightdance.org.

Drumming Circle • Berkeley Springs, WV

*2nd & 4th Fridays • 8-10 pm*

Community drum circle meets at Coolfont Resort, Berkeley Springs, WV. Free. All are welcome. Bring drums and other rhythm instruments or use those provided. Experienced drummers are welcome however, no prior experience is necessary to enjoy this open circle. Call ahead to confirm in case of severe weather or if you are traveling from a long distance. Info: Bob at 304-258-4546, RobertMarggraf@aol.com. Coolfont Resort information is available at www.coolfont.com.

Church of the Covenant, 2666 Military Road, Arlington. Info: John at JohnK@balalaika.biz or 703-837-9083.

Irish Traditional Music Session • Frederick, MD

*Thursdays • 7 pm*

At Boe’s Strings, 26 S. Market Street. Info and tune list at www.BoesStrings.com or Boe at 301-662-0750.

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Open Mic at Potter’s House • Washington, DC
4th Fridays • 8 pm


Storytelling

Washington Storyteller’s Theatre
• Washington, DC
Tuesday, June 13 • 8 pm

Season Close-Out Party. Join us in swapping stories, drinking wine, and raising money for our future with our silent and live auction. Please email amysaidman@yahoo.com if you have something to contribute (or know someone else who might) to the auction. Check for list of auction items soon at www.amysaidman.com. At HR-57, 1610 14th Street NW. Doors open 7:30. Admission $5. HR-57 sells beer, wine and some food. Info: www.amysaidman.com/speakeasy.

Joseph Bruchac • Washington, DC
Saturday, June 3 • 11 am and 2 pm

Abenaki storyteller and children’s book author Joseph Bruchac tells stories and reads from his new titles, Geronimo, Wabi, and Jim Thorpe, Original All American. Bruchac has written more than 70 books for adults and children about Native cultures, including traditional tales of the Adirondacks and Native peoples of the Northeastern Woodlands. Book-signings follow the programs. Outdoor Amphitheater; Smithsonian’s National Museum of the American Indian, 4th St. and Independence Avenue SW. Free and open to the public. Info: www.AmericanIndian.si.edu; 202-633-1000.

Joseph Stands With Many • Washington, DC
Saturday, June 17, & Sunday, June 18
• 11 am, 1 & 3 pm

Joseph Stands With Many is a Cherokee storyteller and lives in Baltimore. Through stories, music, and dance, Stands With Many will demonstrate how a father passes on life lessons to his 11-year old son Zachary. Rasmussen Theater and Potomac Atrium; Smithsonian’s National Museum of the American Indian, 4th St. and Independence Avenue SW. Free and open to the public. Info: www.AmericanIndian.si.edu; 202-633-1000.

Storytelling with Jack Gladstone • Washington, DC
Friday, June 30 – Sunday, July 2
• 11:30 am & 2:30 pm

Jack is a singer, songwriter, and storyteller from the Blackfeet Reservation in northern Montana. In 1985, Gladstone co-founded Glacier National Park’s “Native America Speaks,” now celebrating its 22nd season. This program is recognized nationally for excellence in the interpretation of Native cultures. Gladstone blends legend, history, and metaphor into story. Rasmussen Theater; Smithsonian’s National Museum of the American Indian, 4th St. and Independence Avenue SW. Free and open to the public. Info: www.AmericanIndian.si.edu; 202-633-1000.

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Workshops, Weekends, Festivals, & Special Events

23rd Mid-Atlantic Song Contest

Enter between April 15 and June 10

The Songwriters’ Association of Washington (SAW) announces its 23rd Mid-Atlantic Song Contest, one of the longest-running contests in the nation. A wide variety of categories are available, including Contemporary Folk & Acoustic, Country/Bluegrass, Jazz/Blues, and several more. The contest is open to all songwriters who have not earned more than $5000 in royalties income during the past year. Prizes are awarded to the first and second place winners in each category, with a panel of music industry professionals choosing three top prize winners from the Gold winners. All category winners are invited to perform their winning songs at the grand Awards Gala held in the autumn, with the three top winners being announced that night. The top songs from each category are compiled and released on a “Winner's CD,” copies of which are distributed to a variety of music industry decision-makers. Contest deadline is June 10. Info: www.saw.org or call 301-654-8434.

Great Labor Arts Exchange/Conference on Creative Organizing • Silver Spring, MD

June 18-20

The Labor Heritage Foundation of Washington, DC sponsors the annual Great Labor Arts Exchange and the Conference on Creative Organizing. Union members, artists, educators, and community activists gather for three days to share songs, art, poetry, theater, visual arts, and film that celebrate the forward and positive movement of the labor movement on the campus of the country’s only labor academic institution, the National Labor College. Participants can choose between two events. The Great Labor Arts Exchange features a round robin of song swaps, skill building workshops, and late night jam sessions. The Conference on Creative Organizing is a training problem for union staff, organizers, and activists seeking creative strategies that will put the “zing” in their organizing.

Info/registration: www.laborheritage.org or 202-639-6204.

Washington Revels Auditions for the 2006 Christmas Revels

Friday, June 2 & Saturday, June 3

Seeking strong singers, ages 18+, for large, diverse cast. Early American music, dance, stories drawn from Appalachian, Shaker, African-American, Moravian, and Native American traditions.

For more info and to schedule an audition, visit www.revelsdc.org or call 202-723-7528.

Folk College, a weekend camp for musicians • Central PA

June 16-18

Folk College is a weekend camp for musicians of all levels and instruments, with workshops on playing a wide variety of folk styles. The focus of the event is group playing, with a wide variety of genres offered. Most of the workshops are open to all instruments, though there are workshops for specific instruments as well. There are also workshops for singers, lots of jamming, an open mic, and a contradance with open band. Twelve professional bands including Simple Gifts will be there to teach, coach, and perform for you, and PA school teachers will get act 48 credit. At Juniata College in central PA. Registration fee $160 plus $40/double or $70/single room. Info: Linda@simplegiftsmusic.com, 814-643-6220 or www.simplegiftsmusic.com/folkcollege.

Sligo Creek Hedge School • Silver Spring, MD

June, July, and August

The Sligo Creek Hedge School is a music and arts day camp for children who play instruments that can be used for traditional Irish music. Taught by Karen Ashbrook at her home in Silver Spring, MD, just a few blocks from Sligo Creek. The camp day includes learning new tunes, learning the pennywhistle and Celtic art projects, playing at the creek, eating potatoes and most important of all a daily Tea & Poetry Break where over tea and sweets we first read then write on various topics. Camp runs daysites Monday through Friday and ends in a Friday performance for the families. Camp registration fee is $300.

Musician’s Week is June 26-30 for ages 9-14: Must already be playing Irish music and have several tunes memorized at tempo. Teen Celtic Band & Arts Week is July 31-August 4 for ages 13-17: For teens already seriously involved in dance music. Intro to Irish Music & Arts is August 7-11 for ages 9-14: Learn to play the bodhran, accordion, pennywhistle and sing Irish songs. Celtic crafts and games.

Info: www.karenashbrook.com, 301-592-0101, mail@karenashbrook.com

The late Jonathan Eberhart, one of the founders of FSGW and the Washington Folk Festival, grinding corn in Washington Folk Festival workshop
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Nordic Fiddles & Feet Camp • Capon Bridge, WV

**July 1-8 (or weekend-only)**

Immerse yourself in the enchanting folk music/dance of Norway and Sweden. This welcoming community that springs to life each summer offers classes at all levels with excellent teachers, fabulous food featuring Scandinavian delicacies, and nightly dance parties filled with magic. Learning to dance the hambo and/or discovering a lovely fiddle tune to play are just the beginning—join us and experience so much more! At Buffalo Gap Camp. Discount for first-timers.

Info: www.nordicfiddlesandfeet.org, fiddlesandfeet@aol.com, 865-522-0515.

Common Ground on the Hill • Westminster, MD

**July 2-14**

Common Ground on the Hill is a traditional music and arts organization that offers quality learning experiences with master musicians, artists, writers and crafts people while exploring cultural diversity in search of a “common ground” among ethnic, gender, age and racial groups. The 12th annual Traditions Weeks (July 2-7 and 10-14) will feature classes, workshops, concerts and events on the campus of McDaniel College. A Music and Arts Festival is scheduled for July 8-9 at the Carroll County Farm Museum. Info and registration: www.commongroundonthehill.org.

Dulcimer & Autoharp Gathering • Binghamton, NY

**July 21-23**

The 30th Annual Cranberry Dulcimer and Autoharp Gathering will be held July 21-23 at the Unitarian Universalist Congregation in Binghamton, NY. Included are workshops on fretted dulcimer, hammered dulcimer and autoharp; concerts; open stage; contra-dancing; jamming. Featured performers include Karen Mueller on autoharp; Aubrey Atwater-Donnelly on fretted dulcimer; and Maggie Sansone on hammered dulcimer. Primitive camping available. Info: contact Ed Ware, 1259 Fowler Place, Binghamton, NY 13903-6036, 607-669-4653, e.ware@ieee.org, www.CranberryDulcimer.com.

Buffalo Jambalaya Dance Camp • Darlington, MD

**August 10-13**

Buffalo Jambalaya Cajun/Zydeco dance camp will be back for our 18th consecutive year. This year’s featured bands are Rosie Ledet, Brian Jack and Kevin Naquin. Remember the new dates and location for BJ2006; August 10-13 at Camp Rambledown in Darlington. MD.

Full details at www.buffalojam.org.

AvalonFest’06 • Paw Paw, WV

**August 11-13**


Scott Reiss's SoundCatcher Workshop: Play By Ear • Staunton, VA

**August 13-19**

Coaches: Tina Chancey (bowed strings), John Tyson (recorders), Bruce Hutton (banjo, guitar et al), Nick Blanton (hammered dulcimer, galoubet). Throw away your music stands! After a week you'll play, ornament, and improvise upon medieval, Renaissance, Appalachian, Irish and Sephardic tunes without reading music. You'll hear modes, meters, and melodic patterns; add accompaniments and counter melodies. Informal playing, Irish/Old Time session, faculty and student concerts. New setting—antique-filled B&B in historic Staunton, VA. Info & registration form: www.hesperus.org, 703-525-7550.

SummerTunes 2006 • Frederick, MD

**Saturday, August 26 • 10 am - 4 pm**

Take part in the 2006 edition of a unique all-day contra dance band workshop with respected area musicians Alexander Mitchell and Liz Donaldson. Play that night for the Mid-Maryland Folk Arts Council's monthly contra dance with caller Ann Fallon. A printed and bound tune book, featuring over 30 tunes in medley arrangements, will be available to registered participants by download or mail. The workshop will take place at Mid-Maryland’s dance hall, Trinity Episcopal School near Harry Grove Stadium in Frederick. Workshop fee: $45. Info: Marguerite Plank at 707-334-5392 or mplank@ladyofthecreek.com.

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Eisteddfod-NY, A Festival of Traditional Music
• Queens, NY

November 17-19

The Eisteddfod is a gathering for musicians, craftspeople, and others of the folk revival to meet and learn from one another. It might happen in a concert, or an exhibit, or a workshop. But it might also happen between two people talking quietly in a corner. Without this we would enjoy the concerts and exhibits, enjoy meeting old friends and making new ones, or just enjoy a friendly ambiance. But without the learning it wouldn’t be the Eisteddfod. Performers include the NYU Ballad Singers, Shepheard, Spears and Watson from Scotland, Sheila Kay Adams, and Chris Koldeway with emcee Mary Cliff from WETA. FSWG members are eligible to register at the discounted member price. See www.eisteddfod-NY.org for a list of performers, tentative schedule, and booking form.

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