Maelstrom with Two Sisters
Saturday, November 19 • 8–10 pm

Maelstrom is a high-energy trio of local teen music prodigies, Abraham Joyner-Meyers (fiddle, guitar, voice), Peri Leighty (fiddle, voice), and Darrow Sherman (fiddle, banjo, voice). In their first year performing together, they pleased crowds at the triple crown—the Washington Folk Festival, FSGW Midwinter Festival, and Takoma Park Folk Festival. In their own words: “We began playing together while studying fiddle traditions in Ireland. Although our roots are in Celtic music, we are inspired by the huge variety of folk traditions and are excited by playful fusions. We play everything from French Canadian tunes to Klezmer. Our sound is recognized for its tight and creative harmonies.”

The Two Sisters (Guen & Liz Spilsbury) are classically trained singers who grew up in the Washington Revels children’s and teen choruses, with annual studies at Pinewoods folk music and dance camp in Massachusetts and appearances with the Victorian Lyric Opera Company. They are also both second-generation folk dancers (daughters of popular caller, Tom Spilsbury). While the Two Sisters are no strangers to the stage, this is their concert debut as a duo.

Seekers Church, 276 Carroll St NW, 20012 (Takoma Metro). FSGW Members, FREE; Non-members, $20. Audio samples of Maelstrom, maelstromfiddlers.wixsite.com/maelstrom.
FSGW Sings/Swaps/Storytelling

FSGW Open Sing • Takoma Park, MD  
Friday, November 4 • 8 PM
Topic: Colors. Let’s see how many colors in song we can get. Everyone is welcome! Most songs presented from memory, but cheat sheets often appear. Don’t worry if you can’t think of a song on topic—come anyway! Please bring a snack to share. This month’s Open Sing will be at the home of Kathie Mack (Takoma Metro). Info/directions: kmack2@gmail.com or 301-270-5367.

FSGW Storytelling Swap • Vienna, VA  
Saturday, November 12 • 7:30 PM
Storytellers and listeners are invited to the home of Miriam Nadel (Vienna Metro) for an evening of shared stories and potluck snacks. Free. RSVPs/directions: 703-255-1210 or mhnadel@yahoo.com.

FSGW Gospel Sing • Takoma Park, MD  
Sunday, November 13 • 4–8 PM
Gospel sings are held the second Sunday of every month at various homes. Group singing starts at 4 pm and breaks for a covered dish supper at 6 pm, with more singing after supper until 8 pm. Everyone is welcome! This month’s Gospel Sing will be at the home of Kathie Mack (Takoma Metro). Info/directions: kmack2@gmail.com or 301-270-5367.

FSGW Shape-Note Sing • Alexandria, VA  
Sunday, November 27 • 4–8 PM
Every fourth Sunday, singers explore the rich traditions in The Sacred Harp (1991) and Shenandoah Harmony (2013), with unaccompanied four-part singing fueled by a potluck supper. Loaner books are available, and all are welcome. Usually the singing is held upstairs in room 19 and the supper from 6–7 pm on the ground level of the Fellowship Hall of the First Christian Church of Alexandria, 2723 King St, 22302 (about a mile out from King St. Metro & Amtrak station & GW Memorial). Info: madaly@verizon.net or 301-229-8534.

Circle of Life Song Circle • Rockville, MD  
Tuesday, November 1 and 15 • 1 - 2:30 PM
Co-sponsored by the Jewish Community Center of Greater Washington’s Coming of Age in Maryland Program and FSGW. Sing favorite songs and make new friends! The song circle is about the joy of singing, not about talent. All are welcome, regardless of experience or level of ability. Words will be provided on song sheets—no need to read music. Come for informal singing or just to listen, but do come! Free! 6125 Montrose Rd, 20852. Info or to volunteer, e-mail Frieda Enoch, fenoch@jc-cgw.org or Liz Milner, lizmilner@mindspring.com.

The Grapevine • Takoma, DC  
Wednesday, November 9 • 7:30–9 PM
The Grapevine is home for first-rate storytelling and storytellers of all styles. Hosted by Tim Livengood, with featured tellers Tony Toledo and Margaret Chatham. Program opens with up to three open-mic tellers (5-minute limit each). Boys and Poets, 235 Carroll St NW, 20012. Food and drink available. Suggested donation of $15 per person goes to the featured tellers—feel free to donate more! Info: 301-587-3558 or grapevinetakoma@gmail.com.

Schweinhaut Song Circle • Silver Spring, MD  
Wednesday, November 16 • 1–3 PM
On the third Wednesday of each month, this song circle provides a daytime opportunity to enjoy great songs, old or new, humorous or serious, timeless or topical. The song circle is about the joy of singing, not about talent. You don’t have to read music, and printed words are provided for songs that have been suggested in advance. Of course, you may lead or request any song, whether or not we have printed words. All are welcome, regardless of age or experience, including instrumental accompanists. Come when you can and leave when you must, but do come to sing or just to listen! Free! Co-sponsored by FSGW and Carpe Diem Arts. Margaret Schweinhaut Senior Center, 1000 Forest Glen Rd, 20901. For more information or to suggest songs in advance: Fred Stollnitz, fstollnitz@comcast.net.

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FSGW Board Meeting  
Wednesday, November 2 • 8 PM
The monthly FSGW Board meeting will be held in Classroom 201 Arcade Bldg. at Glen Echo Park, MD. All FSGW members may attend. If you wish the Board to consider a particular matter, please contact the appropriate Board member, or April Blum by e-mail, president@fsgw.org, or call afternoons or evenings 301-422-0292 in advance of the meeting.
Le P’tit Plan
French Folk Dance Music
Thursday November 3 • 8–10:30 pm

Le P’tit Plan plays dance music from several regions of France including Alsace, central France, and Brittany, as well as classics from the bal folk repertoire. In case you are wondering, ‘bal folk’ is the term used for dancing to folk music in France. The band’s instrumentation includes familiar instruments (diatonic accordion, flute) and more unusual ones (hurdy-gurdy, cornemuse—french bagpipe—and mandoloncello). We’ll have the front of the room set up for those who want to just listen and open space in the back of the room for dancing. $15 donation suggested. Info/directions: Lynn Baumeister, 412-275-0023.

RISE AGAIN Singalong
with Annie Patterson & Peter Blood
Saturday, November 5 • 7:30 pm

Explore and celebrate Rise Again, the 2015 sequel to Rise Up Singing, with the editors. Presented by the Friends Meeting of Washington in partnership with FSGW. Meeting House, 2111 Florida Ave NW, 20008 (Dupont Circle Metro). At the door, suggested donation $15 adults, $5 youth. Tickets/info: riseupandsing.org.
FSGW Newsletter Editorial and Advertising Policy

The Folklore Society of Greater Washington endeavors to print copy it deems relevant to its membership and purpose as stated in its by-laws:

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FAQ of the Month

Q: Why do we have so many concerts at this venue? Why aren’t there more concerts at that venue?
A: The biggest factors by far are cost and availability. Hall rental can be very expensive and we don’t want to drive ticket prices higher with avoidable costs, so we try to use the most cost-effective venue that can hold the expected audience. Many venues have standing bookings on certain days of the week, so our options are sometimes limited. In addition, we try to use venues that are close to a Metro station or at least a bus stop with reliable service. Finally, some venues are good for acoustic performances and others require a sound system, so it depends in part on who’s performing — Mike Livingston, Program Chair

Go to GREAT Concerts for FREE!

Most FSGW concerts rely on volunteers: See the “Details” page of a concert on the calendar at fsgw.org to sign up to volunteer at that event. You get in for free and you get a pass for free admission to a future FSGW concert, dance or workshop with a fixed admission price of $25 or less.

FSGW sponsors events that are intended to foster a pleasant environment and a tolerant community and to provide a comfortable experience for all.

HOW TO SUBMIT A LISTING TO THE FSGW Newsletter

1. Please look at this Newsletter and determine under what category your listing should appear. When submitting copy by email, put that category in the subject line, followed by the month. So if you want to list a contra dance, your subject line is: Dance Contra [Month]. No punctuation, please. If it’s a workshop: Workshop [Month]. If it’s a single concert: Concert Individual [Month] And so forth. Putting the category in the subject line makes it easier for the editor to retrieve groups of events.

2. Please submit all listings in FSGW format. All information should be submitted in the following sequence:

- Event Title • City, State Abbreviation
- Day of the week, Date • start time - end time
- One or two sentences only. Location (+ zip code for GPS). Ticket prices.
- Info: Contact Name at Phone number or email/website.

NB: The city and state appear in the header; do not repeat them in the body, but in this age of Droids and GPS units, you need to include the 5-digit zip code—it goes right after the street address. Submit entries to newsletter@fsgw.org
Canal Street String Band
Thursday, November 17 • 8–10 pm

In their own words: “With three voices, fifty-five strings and a pair of cow bones, The Canal Street String Band puts a brand-new shine on some seriously fun old American music. Fiddle tunes....sea shanties....cowboy songs....canal ditties....mountain music....western swing...and originals too, with banjo, fiddle, twin mandolins, string bass, dobro, guitar, octave mandolin, assorted ‘pocket’ instruments, and three-part harmonies.” The Buffalo trio, as seen at the Old Songs festival this spring, is Phil Banaszak, a New York State fiddle champion and member of the North American Fiddlers Hall of Fame; Dave Ruch on the mandolin, guitar, banjo, octave mandolin, bones, spoons, jaw harp “and probably some other things too”; and Jim Whitford, a member of the Buffalo Music Hall of Fame, on string bass, guitar and Dobro. Electric Maid Community Exchange, 268 Carroll St NW, 20012 (Takoma Metro). Members, $10; Non-members, $20. Audio samples, canalstreetstringband.com.

FSGW Sponsored
Alexandria, VA (Del Ray)

Martha Burns
Old-Time Songs the Old-Time Way
Friday, November 18
6:30–8:30 pm

The liner notes from her 2014 CD, Martha Burns: Old-Time Songs, say it best: “Martha Burns sings old-time American folk songs the old-time way. Heart songs, cowboy songs, tragic ballads and comic ditties—songs from the mountains and songs from the range. Songs from the earliest period of recorded country music and songs never sung in a studio. Her haunting voice is perfectly suited to her old-time repertoire. An accomplished guitarist, Martha’s accompaniments bring out the pith in a song. She has been singing and playing American folk music since Hoover was in the White House—well, almost—and has performed throughout North America and abroad.” Emma’s Espresso & Wine Bar, 106 Hume Ave, 22301. $15 suggested donation. Info: emmascoffee.com.
Upcoming FSGW Events

Upcoming events are subject to change; please check fsgw.org for updates.

**Monthly Program: Winter Solstice Concert • Meridian (Colin de la Barre & Olivia Gale)**
*with special guests Darriel Day and Jocelyn Winkler • Saturday, December 3 • 4:30 pm*
Step into the winter with the gorgeous harmonies of Meridian (Colin de la Barre and Olivia Gale) with special guests Darriel Day and Jocelyn Winkler, and surprises in store. Church of the Ascension, 633 Sligo Ave, 20910 (Ride-On bus #16 from Silver Spring). Free to members; $5 non-members.

**FSGW New Year’s Eve Contra Dance • Chevy Chase, MD**
*Saturday, December 31, 2016, 8 pm to Sunday, January 1, 2017, 12:15 am*
Music by Graham DeZarn (fiddle) and Bruce Rosen (piano, tenor guitar). Sue Rosen calls the figures. Woman’s Club of Chevy Chase, 7931 Connecticut Ave, 20815. FSGW/ATDS/BFMS/CDSS Members, $34; Non-members, $38. Admission by registration only, must be 18 or older, no tickets available at the door. Registration form: fsgw.org.

**Coming in January**

**Thomas McCarthy with Sibling Ryvalrie • Glen Echo, MD**
*Tuesday, January 10 • 7:30–10 pm*

**Coming in February**

**Monthly Program: By & By with The Squeezers • Takoma, DC**
*Saturday, February 18 • 8–10 pm*
The six-piece band By & By, “your friendly neighborhood bluegrass band,” has earned seven Wammie nominations. The Squeezers, veterans of the Washington Folk Festival, FSGW Midwinter Festival, and Takoma Porch, are a “genre-defying” squeezebox trio squeezing tunes of the world from bells-and-reed instruments of the world. Seekers Church, 276 Carroll St NW, 20012 (Takoma Metro). Members, free; Non-members, $20.

**Coming in March**

**Monthly Program: Starry Mountain Singers • Takoma, DC**
*Saturday, March 11 • 7:30–10 pm*
The Starry Mountain Singers, eight alumni of the Northern Harmony and Village Harmony ensembles, bring riveting harmonies to American and international folk music including gospel, shape-note, Appalachian, Bulgarian, Corsican and Georgian songs. Seekers Church, 276 Carroll St NW, 20012 (Takoma Metro). Members, free; Non-members, $20.
FSGW DANCE EVENTS

FSGW Sunday Night Dances
at Glen Echo Park, MD • Spanish Ballroom
Contras and Squares • 7:30–10:30 pm
Introductory lesson every Sunday • 7–7:30 pm

Join us for an evening of dancing at Glen Echo Park. Every Sunday, FSGW (in cooperation with the National Park Service, Montgomery County, and the Glen Echo Park Partnership for Arts and Culture) presents contras and squares danced to live music by fabulous bands with entertaining callers. Experienced and new dancers welcome; no partner needed. Welcome/Orientation session every Sunday at 7. Come early for an introduction to the basic moves. Dances often become more challenging as the evening progresses. Bring water or a sports drink, and dress in layers. Smooth-soled shoes are kindest on your knees and ankles when turning. Info: Penelope Weinberger or Steve Burnett, dance@fsgw.org.

Admission: $10 for FSGW, BFMS, CDSS, and ATDS Members
$5 youth (with student ID if over 17) • $13 for the general public

November 6—Mary Wesley with Maivish
Venue: Spanish Ballroom
Contrastock superstar Mary Wesley returns to call. Maivish draws inspiration from traditional sources, reinterpreting the old and contributing to the new with their hypnotic and scintillating melodies and grooves. Adam Broome (guitar, cittern, vocals), Jaige Trudel (fiddle, cello, vocals), and Matthew Olwell (flutes, percussion).

November 13—DeLaura Padovan and Frog Hammer
Venue: Spanish Ballroom
Frog Hammer is a super-high-energy English ceilidh band. Evidently danceable and innovative music for ceilidhs and contras. Traditional tunes like you've never heard them, new tunes with a kick, and a brass section with attitude are guaranteed to get you airborne. Jim Besser (concertina), Glyn Collinson (guitar, bouzouki), Andrew Marcus (accordion), Michael Ferguson (trombone), Bob Collins (drums), and Dave Casserly (saxophone). DeLaura Padovan calls.

November 20—Janine Smith with Triple Helix
Venue: Spanish Ballroom
Caller Janine Smith joins Triple Helix for a fantastic night of contra. Colleen Reed (flute), Alexander Mitchell (fiddle, mandolin), and Keith Gillis (guitar).

November 27—Beth Molaro with the Decaf Zombies
Venue: Spanish Ballroom
Just two thirds of a cup (of Coffee Zombies) topped off with the sweet cream of Kate Sanders on piano, this decaf will still give you a buzz. Tom Cunningham (fiddle, guitar), Bob Douglas (percussion, guitar), and Kate Sanders (piano).
FSGW English Country Dances
Glen Echo, MD • Wednesdays • 8–10:30 pm

Dance on a wood floor in the climate-controlled community room of the Glen Echo Town Hall, 6106 Harvard St, 20812. Bring clean, non-scuffing shoes for dancing. Cheerful, patient, talented callers are accompanied by top-notch musicians—every Wednesday a different and delightful mix of instruments, including piano, fiddle, flute, oboe, concertina, bassoon, cello, viola, and recorder. Light refreshments served at the break. Experienced and new dancers welcome. No partner required. Info: English@fsgw.org

Admission: $10 for FSGW members, $12 for non-members.

November

2 Beginner Session at 7:30. Bob Farrall calls the dances to the music of Jeff Steinberg (fiddle), Barbara Heitz (flute), and Liz Donaldson (piano)

9 Tom Spilsbury and Laura Schultz call the dances while David Knight (fiddle), Carrie Rose (flute), and Melissa Running (piano) make the music

16 Melissa Running leads the dances while Alexander Mitchell (fiddle), Paul Oorts (mandolin and accordion), and Liz Donaldson (piano) play

23 Liz Donaldson calls to the playing of Emily Aubrey (fiddle), Bruce Edwards (concertina and bassoon), and Melissa Running (piano)

30 Carol Marsh calls while Becky Ross (fiddle), Colleen Reed (flute), and Ralph Gordon (cello) play


Spend the last week of the year in an all-ages community of dancers and musicians at a picturesque mountain lodge, miles from the bustle of normal life

Terpsichore’s Holiday
December 27 - January 1
Stonewall Resort, West Virginia

Registration now open
http://danceholiday.net/

FSGW DANCE EVENTS

Deadline December 2016 Newsletter: TUESDAY, November 8, 2016
**The Great American Square Dance Revival, Part XLVII**

**Saturday, November 12 · 8:30 - 11:30 PM**

The DC Square Dance Collective is celebrating five wildly successful years of presenting traditional Appalachian Square Dances! This month features **Steve Hickman** and **Graham DeZarn**, (fiddles), **John Devine** (guitar), and **Charlie Pilzer** (bass). **DeLaura Padovan** shows you how it’s done and will have you up and do-si-do-ing in no time flat. Come see what it’s all about, right in the heart of DC on a swingin’ Saturday night. All are welcome—young and old, brand new and experienced dancers, hipsters, and total outta-the-loopers. No partner, lessons, overalls, or fancy dress needed. Saint Stephen’s Church, 1525 Newton St NW, Washington, DC 20010 (Columbia Heights Metro). $5 at the door. Info: [dcsquaredance.com](http://dcsquaredance.com).

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**A Nordic Winter Celebration**

**December 10-18, 2016**

GW Lisner Auditorium, DC

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FSGW Family Dance
Sunday, November 13 · 3-5 pm
Glen Echo Ballroom Annex · Glen Echo Park, MD
DeLaura Padovan calls with Maelstrom
For 20 years, DeLaura Padovan has been honored to share her enthusiasm and joy at family weeks. Now she brings that joy to the Family Dance! Maelstrom, with Abraham Joyner-Meyers (fiddle, guitar, voice), Darrow Sherman (fiddle, banjo, voice), and Peri Leighty (fiddle, voice) will bring wonderful music. Come dance and learn about the instruments! $5 for ages 4 and older. Info: Penelope Weinberger or Steve Burnett, dance@fsgw.org.

FSGW Co-Sponsored Dance Events

Greenbelt Contra Dance · Greenbelt, MD
Saturday, November 5 · 7-9:45 pm
Featuring the calling of Sargon de Jesus and music by Contra Rebels: Todd Clewell and Barb Schmid (fiddles) and Henry Koretzky (guitar). Co-sponsored by FSGW and the City of Greenbelt. Greenbelt Community Center Gym, 15 Crescent Rd, 20770. $10; $5 for age 7–18; 6 and under free. Info: 301-397-2208.

Second Thursday Contra/Square Dance
Thursday, November 10 · 7:30–10 pm · (Free Intro Workshop 7–7:30)
Caller Kappy Laning with Organic Family Band. Potomac Community Center, 11315 Falls Rd, 20854. (NOTE: In January 2017, we will be back in the Great Hall of the Silver Spring Civic Building.) Co-sponsored by FSGW, Carpe Diem Arts, and Montgomery County Recreation Department. FSGW/BFMS/CDSS/Revels Members, $8; Non-members, $10; Students, $5. First timers FREE. Info: Bob Mathis, talibob@starpower.net or Busy Graham, BusyGraham@CarpeDiemArts.org or 301-466-0183.

Black Friday Contra Sonic (Techno)
Friday, November 25 · 11:35 pm
FSGW Co-sponsored with Friday Night Dancers. Details, Friday Night Dancers page 17.

Glen Echo International Folkdancers · Thursdays · 7:30–10:45 pm
See the listing under International Dances on page 19.
Concerts

This is a selection of upcoming concerts at these venues; please see their websites for full event schedules.

Concert Series

AMP by STRATHMORE • NORTH BETHESDA, MD
11810 Grand Park Ave, 20882 • ampbystrathmore.com

JIMMY WEBB
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 3 • 8 PM
Legendary songwriter; $35–45

SIEGEL HULL
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 12 • 8 PM
Mandolin virtuoso; $27–37

ALBERT CUMMINGS
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 13 • 8 PM
Part of Strathmore's "Shades of Blues" Festival. Explosive blues-rock; $25–35

RESTON/HERNDON FOLK CLUB
HERNDON, VA
Amphora's Diner Deluxe–Herndon, 1151 Elden St, 20170
restonherndonfolklub.com • 703-435-2402

KATE MCLEOD WITH JAMES SCOTT
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 15 • 7:15 PM; DOORS OPEN AT 6 PM
Kate McLeod's voice has been said to sound as pure as water from a mountain stream. Her music displays an unbreakable link between traditional music and cutting-edge songwriting. Kate will be accompanied by virtuoso acoustic guitarist James Scott of Nashville, known for his finger-style steel string playing. Members, $10; Non-members, $11; purchase at the door or contact Dave at DAHurdSr@cs.com. Info: jamesue@aol.com.

Baldwin's Station Concerts • SYKESVILLE, MD
7618 Main St, 21784 • All shows 8 pm
uptownconcerts.com • 410-795-1041

GEORGE JESSUP & THE PHILOSOPHER DOGS
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 3
Americana singer-songwriter, quartet; $15

BARNES AT WOLF TRAP • VIENNA, VA
1635 Trap Rd, 22182 • wolftrap.org

ENTER THE HAGGIS
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 3 • 8 PM
Celtic folk-rock; $28–34

CRISTINA PATO QUARTET
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 11 • 8 PM
Galician bagpiper (member of Silk Road Ensemble) leads band; $25–30

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CONCERTS continued

**CELLAR STAGE • BALTIMORE, MD**
5315 Harford Rd, 21214 • uptownconcerts.com

**The Kennedys**
Fridays, November 11 • 8 PM

Folk-rockin’ songwriting, harmonies & hot guitar from *Pete & Maura*, former members of Nanci Griffith’s band; + openers *Jon Patton & Joe Scala* (of Midway Fair), story songs; $21

**Ocean Celtic Quartet**
Fridays, November 18 • 8 PM

Jennifer Cutting leads their “Now Be Thankful” seasonal show, featuring Lisa Moscatiello, Andrew Dodds, & Steve Winick; $21

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**FOCUS Music Concert Series**
FocusMusic.org

**Burning Bridget Cleary plus Nicole Belanus**
Saturday, November 5 • 7 PM

*Burning Bridget Cleary* is a Pennsylvania-based Celtic and folk band known for their captivating sound and engaging stage presence. *Nicole Belanus* is a singer-songwriter with acoustic and folk-rock influences. St. Aidan’s Episcopal Church, 8531 Riverside Rd, Alexandria, VA 22308. Advance/Members, $15; At the door, $18.

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**Gypsy Sally’s • Washington, DC**
3401 K St NW, 20007 • gypsysallys.com

Open Mic Tuesdays upstairs in Vinyl Lounge; 8 pm; free

**Gettin’ Weir’d + Beggars Tomb**
Wednesday, November 2 • 8 PM

Groups celebrating music & roots of Grateful Dead; $8

**Yarn + Corb Lund, solo**
Thursday, November 3 • 8 PM

Americana group + Canadian roots singer-songwriter, $12/15

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**Amy Helm & the Handsome Strangers**
Friday, November 4 • 8:30 PM

Daughter of Levon Helm, member of Ollabelle; + opener *Cris Jacobs Band*, CD release by eclectic Baltimore group; $20/25

**Town Mountain**
Friday, November 5 • 8:30 PM

Full-tilt bluegrass; $12/14

**Charles Godwin**
Friday, November 11 • 10:30 PM

Appalachia-influenced songwriter in upstairs Vinyl Lounge; no cover

**Brackish Water Jamboree**
Saturday, November 12 • 8 PM

High-energy Americana folkgrass; in upstairs Vinyl Lounge; no cover

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**Session Americana**
Sunday, November 13 • 7 PM

Freewheeling Somerville, MA, roots sextet + *Cicada Rhythm*, rootsy songwriting duo; $10/12

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**THE HAMILTON • WASHINGTON, DC**
600 14th St. (at F), NW 20005 • thehamiltondc.com

**Mandolin Orange**
Thursday, November 3 • 7:30 PM

NC-based Americana/folk duo + openers *My Bubba*, folky duo from Iceland and Sweden; $18–35

**Rebirth Brass Band**
Friday/Saturday, November 4/5; All Ages, 7 PM; 18 and over, 10:30 PM

Classic New Orleans street music, ideal for dancing; $35–45

**Samantha Fish**
Tuesday, November 15 • 7:30 PM

Blues guitar and vocals + rootsy opener *Lightnin’ Malcolm*; $25–30

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**An Evening with Riders in the Sky**
Wednesday, November 16 • 7:30 PM

Real western harmonies, plus comedy; $17–30

**Electric Hot Tuna**
Friday, November 25 • 8 PM

Jorma Kaukonen & Jack Casady grew up around DC; the former members of *Jefferson Airplane* play blues and other roots; $34.50–59.50

**Scythian**
Saturday/Sunday, November 26/27 • 8 PM

High-energy, DC-based Celtic and other immigrant folk-rock; $20–25

**Boubacar Traore Trio**
Wednesday, November 30 • 7:30 PM

World-famous blues and world-music singer/guitarist from Mali; $15–25

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**Institute of Musical Traditions**
imtfolk.org

Rockville show:
Saint Mark’s Presbyterian Church,
10701 Old Georgetown Rd, 20852

Takoma show: Seeker’s Church, 276 Carroll St NW, 20012

**Sligo Creek Stompers • Takoma, DC**
Sunday, November 13 • 7:30 PM

*Sligo Creek Stompers* play a raucous but refined blend of traditional roots music: Appalachian & Midwestern old time and bluegrass, New Orleans-style traditional jazz, haunted Irish fiddle tunes, honky tonk & classic country, Texas & gypsy swing. Inspired by scratchy 78 rpm records, contra dancing, and a good bottle of whiskey, the Stompers are keeping the flame of American stringband music alive in the DC area. Advance, $15; Door, $20. Students (with ID) & Children: Advance, $10; Door, $15.
Al Petteway & Amy White, Annual Homecoming
Rockville, MD
Saturday, November 19 • 7:30 PM
Al & Amy have long been a favorite among DC area audiences, with their eclectic repertoire that includes original, traditional, contemporary Celtic- and Appalachian-influenced music with occasional nods to blues, new age, and jazz. Their performances feature acoustic guitar, mandolin, Celtic harp, piano, banjo, mountain dulcimer, and some of the finest vocals you’ll hear in any genre. $20 advance, $25 door. Students (with ID) & Children: $15 advance, $20 door.

Susquehanna Folk Music Society
sfmsfolk.org • susquehannafolk.org • 800-838-3006
Anna & Elizabeth and the Murphy Beds
Harrisburg, PA
Thursday, November 3 • 7:30–9:30 PM
A double bill: two duos! Appalachian music and stories. Songs illustrated with a "Crankie". Fort Hunter Centennial Barn 5300 N. Front St, 17110; $22

Cassie and Maggie MacDonald • Harrisburg, PA
Sunday, November 13 • 7:30–9:30 PM
These two sisters from Nova Scotia bring a breath of fresh air to Celtic trad with their original tunes and arrangements. The Abby Bar, Appalachian Brewing Company, 50 N. Cameron St, 17101; $22

Pete’s Posse • Harrisburg, PA
Tuesday, November 22 • 7:30–9:30 PM
Twin fiddles in tight, wild harmony with high-powered backing band. Fiddler Pete Sutherland rocks it!
Fort Hunter Centennial Barn, 5300 N. Front St, 17110; $20

Weekend Bluegrass Concert Series
Herndon, VA
Continuing their 14th year of bluegrass concerts at Holy Cross Lutheran Church, 1090 Sterling Rd, 20170. $15 at the door (Children 12 and younger, free). Info: Bob Thompson, 703-435-8377 or kd4fue2@verizon.net • hclcbluegrass.wordpress.com

The Davis Bradley Band
Saturday, November 12 • 7:30–9:30 PM
The Davis Bradley Band plays traditional bluegrass music with superb vocal harmony and mastery of wood and strings. A fun bunch too, so if you’re not clapping, you’re laughing.

Jimmy Gaudreau & Orrin Star
Saturday, November 26 • 7:30–9:30 PM
Two legendary members of the bluegrass and acoustic music scene together as a duo. Jimmy on mandolin and Orrin on guitar are masters of their instruments and add their great vocal harmony and off-the-wall humor to the mix as well.
Dances

GWCC Ceili • College Park, MD
Sunday, November 27 • 3–8 pm

Orfeia Vocal Ensemble • Washington, DC
Saturday, November 5 • 7 pm
Orfeia Vocal Ensemble, directed by award-winning singer and composer Tatiana Sarbinska (formerly principal soloist with the Pirin Ensemble), celebrates its 10th anniversary with a concert of Balkan music followed by a reception and crafts sale. Washington Ethical Society, 7750 16th St NW, 20012. $15; Children 10 and under, free. Info: reserve@wfma.net or 301-744-7740. Info: wfma.net/pr1611.htm.

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Galesville Community Square Dance • MD
Saturday, November 5 • 7 pm
(OPTIMAL POTLUCK AT 6 PM)
Dance squares, circles, longway sets, and waltzes. Janine Smith calls to traditional Appalachian dance tunes by Leah Weiss (fiddle), Gary Wright (guitar), and friends. Sit-ins welcome on fiddle, guitar, and clawhammer banjo. All ages welcome. 5:30 pm doors open, 6 pm optional potluck, 7 pm family-friendly dancing, 8:30 pm more challenging dancing. Galesville Memorial Hall, 952 Galesville Rd, 20765 (near Annapolis). $10; Kids 5–17, $5. Info: 301-926-9142 or communitysquaredance.wordpress.com/.

Harrisonburg Family Dance • Harrisonburg, VA
1st Thursdays • 6:30–8:30 pm
Line, circle, and square sets. Free and open to all. First Presbyterian Church, 17 Court Square, 22802. Info: tommack1861@gmail.com or facebook.com/SVCWED.

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**Wednesdays**

**BFMS Contra Dance • Baltimore, MD**

**Wednesdays • 8–10:30 PM**

Beginners always welcome. New dancer workshops at 7:30 pm on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays. Nationally known musicians and callers appear regularly. BFMS/FSGW Members, $9; Non-members, $13. Lovely Lane Church, 2200 St. Paul St, 21218. Info: [bfms.org](http://bfms.org).

November

2 Donna Hunt calls to *Dance All Night*: Ryck Kaiser (fiddle), Jill Smith (piano), and Bruce Campbell (bass).

9 April Blum calls to the *New Hip Trio*: Joe DeZarn (fiddle), Liz Donaldson (piano), and Ralph Gordon (bass).

16 Kim Forry calls to the *MetroGnomes*: Bob Garber (clarinet), McGregor Yatsevich (fiddle, mandolin), and Mark Vidor (piano).

23 Greg Frock calls to *Organic Family Band*: Michael Raitzyk (guitar), Jakob Raitzyk (fiddle), Rebekah Gellar (fiddle), and Judith Gellar (French horn).

30 Caroline Barnes calls to the *Contra Rebels Trio*: Todd Clewell (fiddle), Barb Schmid (fiddle), and Henry Koretzky (guitar).

**Fridays**

**Friday Night Dances • Glen Echo, MD**

**Fridays • 8:30–11:30 PM**

The Friday Night Dancers, a non-profit, volunteer-based organization, in cooperation with the National Park Service, Montgomery County, and the Glen Echo Park Partnership for Arts and Culture, sponsors weekly contra dances to live music in the historic Glen Echo Spanish Ballroom (unless otherwise specified), 7300 MacArthur Blvd, 20812. New dancer class every week from 7:30 to 8:15 pm. $10 for the lesson and dance. $5 for age 17 and under. (Age 17 and under free on second Fridays.) Info: [FridayNightDance.org](http://fridaynightdance.org) or 301-632-2222, or the Friday Night Dance at Glen Echo Park Facebook page.

November

4 Mary Wesley calls to *Maivish* with Adam Broome (guitar, jaw harp), Jaime Trudel (fiddle), and Matt Olwell (flute, percussion).

11 TBA calls to the *Glen Echo Open Band*.

18 TBA calls to *Ken Kolodner* (fiddle, hammered dulcimer), Brad Kolodner (banjo, guitar, fiddle), and Alex Lacquement (bass).

25 Dave Eisenstuder calls to *Gaslight Tinkers* with Peter Siegel (mandolin, guitar), Garrett Sawyer (bass), Audrey Knuth (fiddle), and Joe Fitzpatrick (drums).

25 11:35 pm to 1:30 am FND Techno Contra in the Annex: TBA calls to TBA’s mix. $7 for a stand-alone ticket; $5 if purchased with the *Gaslight Tinkers’* contra dance ticket. Co-sponsored by FSGW.

**Saturdays**

**ATDS Contra Dance • Annapolis, MD**

**Saturday, November 19 • 6:30–10 PM**

Kappy Laning calls contra and squares to the melodic music of Emil’s Fling: Jack Brumbaugh, Sharon Brewer, Bob Dowd, Joanne Murphy, and Romey Pittman. The evening includes a free introductory session at 6:30 pm; dance 7–10 pm. All ages welcome. All dances taught and walked through. No experience or partner required. Snacks to share at the break are welcome! Annapolis Friends Meeting Hall, 351 DuBois Rd, 21401. $10 with discounts for seniors, students, families, and members of Annapolis Traditional Dance Society. Info: [contradancers.com/atds](http://contradancers.com/atds) or Jan Scopel, 443-540-0867 or janscope@hotmail.com, or Charlotte Featherstone, 203-247-3964 or charlotte.featherstone@verizon.net.

**BFMS Contra & Square Dance • Baltimore, MD**

**Second Saturdays, November 12 • 7:30 PM**

Greg Frock calls to *Frequent Flyers* featuring Laura Light (fiddle), Anita Anderson (from Seattle) (piano), and Julia Weatherford (fiddle and cello). Bring a snack & bring a friend. The evening starts with potluck from 6:30–7:30 pm. Introduction to contra dancing from 7:35 to 7:55 pm; dance from 8 to 11 pm. Beginners, singles, couples, and families welcome. No experience or partner necessary. St. Marks on the Hill Parish Hall, 1620 Reisterstown Rd, 21208. Members, $9; Non-members, $13. Under 21 full-time students with ID: Members, $4; Non-members, $6. Info: Sara Glik, sada@bfms.org, or BFMS hotline (888-646-BFMS).

**Frederick Contra Dance • Frederick, MD**

**Saturday, November 26 • 8–11 PM**

April Blum calls to music provided by MetroGnomes, featuring McGregor Yatsevich (fiddle), Bob Garber (clarinet), and Mark Vidor (piano). Snacks to share at the break are welcome. Introductory workshop at 7:15 pm. Trinity School, 6040 New Design Rd, 21703. General, $10; Students, $5. Info: Boe Walker, 301-694-6794 or [contradancers.com](http://contradancers.com).

**Lancaster Contra Dance • Lancaster, PA**

**Saturday, November 19 • 7–10 PM**

April Blum calls to *Wild Wombats of the Chesapeake* with Carl Friedman (fiddle), Robin Wilson (flute, concertina), Ralph Barthine (guitar), and Janina O’Brien (piano). St. John’s Episcopal Church, 321 W. Chestnut St, 17603. Beginners Workshop 6:15. Adults, $9; Students, $6. Children 15 and under free. Info: Karen, 717-951-4317 or lancastercontra.org.
SHEPHERDSTOWN CONTRA DANCE • WV
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 5 • 8 PM
Anna Rain calls to the music of Maivish with Jaige Trudel (fiddle), Adam Broome (guitar), and Matthew Olwell (flute, beatbox, feet). The dance is held at the War Memorial Building, 102 E. German St, 25443. All levels welcome, no partners needed. Please wear clean, soft-soled shoes to protect the floor. Potluck snacks at the break. Free introductory workshop at 7:30 pm. SMAD Members, $8; Non-members, $12; Under 12, $5. Info: John Sauer, 301-542-3272 or smad.us.

ENGLISH COUNTRY

Mondays

BFMS ENGLISH COUNTRY DANCE
PIKESVILLE, MD
MONDAYS • 8–10:30 PM
English Country Dancing is lively movement to elegant music in a friendly, informal setting. All dances are taught and walked through. New dancer orientation first Mondays at 7:45 pm. St. Mark’s on the Hill Parish Hall, 1620 Reisterstown Rd, 21208. BFMS/ATDS/FSGW/CDSS Members, $8; Non-members, $11; $2 student discount. Info: Sharon McKinley, 410-660-9147 or engdance@bfms.org.

November
7 Free New Dancer Orientation at 7:45. Mike Franch calls to the music of Becky Ross (violin), Robin Wilson (flute and concertina), and Janina O’Brien (piano).
14 Emily Aubrey calls to the music of Elke Baker (violin), Dave Crandall (winds), and Liz Donaldson (piano and accordion).
21 Carl Friedman calls to the music of Marty Taylor (winds, concertina), Jeff Steinberg (violin), and Janina O’Brien (piano).
28 April Blum calls to the music of Carl Friedman (violin), Karin Loya (cello), and Judy Meyers (piano).

Wednesdays

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SATURDAYS

THE LEESBURG ASSEMBLY • GREAT FALLS, VA
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 19 • 7:30–10:30 PM
What better way to spend a crisp Autumn evening than our monthly dance! Tom Spilsbury calls to music by Karen Ashbrook and Paul Oorts. All dances taught and called. Please consider bringing a refreshment to share. $10. St. Francis Episcopal Church Hall, 9220 Georgetown Pike, 22066 (4.7 miles west of the Beltway). Info: David Pacelli, 703-757-8648 or theleesburgassembly.org.

SILVER SPRING ENGLISH COUNTRY DANCE • MD
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 12 • 8–10:45 PM
Held the second Saturday of each month, September through May. Dance to music of Peasocks Gathering, with calling by Bob Farrall. Beginners and singles welcome. Glen Haven Elementary School, 10900 Inwood Ave, 20902 (Parking and entrance in rear). $5. Info: Carl Minkus, 301-493-6281 or cminkus@verizon.net or Bob Farrall, 301-577-5018.

INTERNATIONAL

MONDAYS

BETHESDA INTERNATIONAL FOLK • BETHESDA, MD
Mondays 7:30–10 PM
Come join our friendly group and learn dances from all over the world. Beginners 7:30–8 pm, Intermediate/Advanced 8–10 pm (requests from 9:15–10 pm). No partner needed. All levels of experience welcome. Adults over 16. Mostly recorded music; wonderful wood floor. Jane Lawton Community Ctr, 4301 Willow Ln, 20815. S7. Info: Phyllis or Brandon, 301-871-8788, DiamondDanceCircle.com, or DiamondDanceCircle@comcast.net.

WEDNESDAYS

COLUMBIA FOLK DANCERS • COLUMBIA, MD
WEDNESDAYS • 8–10:30 PM
We meet at Kahler Hall in Columbia, Village of Harper’s Choice. Class at 8 pm, dancing starts at 8:30 pm. Requests taken throughout the evening. S5 ($3 for seniors). Info: Ethel, 410-997-1613; Ed, 410-740-2309; or columbiafolkdancers.org.

THURSDAYS

ALEXANDRIA INTERNATIONAL FOLK DANCING • VA
(Formerly Mt. Vernon International Folk Dancing)
THURSDAYS • 8–10 PM
We welcome beginners and advanced dancers, no partner necessary. Friendly and diverse group; fabulous wooden floor; a mix of easy dances, advanced instruction, and requested dances. Mt. Vernon Unitarian Church, 1909 Windmill Ln, 22307. Donation $4. Info: Patricia, 703-472-3888 or pdw@patriadiaywilliams.com.

CARPATHIA FOLK DANCERS • WASHINGTON, DC
THURSDAYS • 6:30–9 PM
Carpathia is Washington’s multi-ethnic Eastern & Central European dance performance ensemble. We are currently looking for 3–4 new men and women who are interested in performing dances from a variety of countries including Ukraine, Poland, Romania, Germany, and Bulgaria. We rehearse on Thursday evenings in Foggy Bottom, and have dancers from 16 years old to their mid-40s (we are open to any interested in fast-paced performance dance of at least 14 years old). Costumes are provided by the ensemble. Info: carpathiadc@gmail.com or facebook.com/carpathiadc.
CIRCLE DANCE • ARLINGTON, VA
3RD AND 5TH THURSDAYS 7:30–9:30 PM
Come and explore dances from all over the world in a spirit of mediation and joy. All dances taught. Recorded music. Unitarian Universalist Church of Arlington, 4444 Arlington Blvd, 22204 (Rte 50 at George Mason Dr). Donation requested. Info: Ann Ulmschneider, 703-528-5114 or aulmsch@msn.com.

GLEN ECHO INTERNATIONAL FOLK DANCERS
BETHESDA, MD
THURSDAYS 7:30–10:45 PM
Lesson at 7:30 pm, request dances from 9 to 10:45 pm. Mostly recorded music. No partner or experience necessary. Wear comfortable clothing and soft-soled shoes. Co-sponsored by FSGW. Church of the Redeemer, 6201 Dunrobin Dr, 20816 (near the intersection of Goldsboro and MacArthur). $5 Info: Jamie, 301-466-3018 or dancingplanet@erols.com.

FRIDAYS
GREENBELT FOLK DANCING • GREENBELT, MD
Fridays • 8:30 PM
We focus on dance from Eastern Europe and Scandinavia. No partner or experience necessary. Beautiful dance floor. Teaching from 8:30 to 9:15 pm, requests from 9:15 on. Greenbelt Community Center Dance Studio, 15 Crescent Rd, 20770. S7/students and seniors half-price. Check website for special events. Info: Larry Weiner, 301-565-0539 or larry@larryweiner.com, or larryweiner.com/FridayDance.htm.

ISRAELI

ISRAELI DANCING • CHEVY CHASE, MD
TUESDAYS • 7–10:30 PM
Instruction from 7 to 7:45 pm. We focus on building a repertoire of both classic and newer Israeli dances in a friendly, welcoming atmosphere. Recorded music. Light refreshments served. Ohr Kodesh Congregation, 8300 Meadowbrook Ln, 20815. Adults, $8; Students, $6. Info: Mike Fox, 240-424-0805 or markidmike.com.

MORRIS

MASON DIXON BORDER MORRIS • ADELPHI, MD
SOMERSUNDAYS • 12–2 PM
Possibly the oldest and most fictitious morris team in North America. Gender irrelevant, stomp a plus. Practices usually twice a month at Ballroom Blum. Info: blgbrham.99@yahoo.com or facebook.com/masondixonbordermorris.

MONDAYS
ARLINGTON NORTHWEST MORRIS WOMEN • VA
MONDAYS • 7:30–9 PM
Learn and perform the traditional morris dances of northwest England, which combine simple footwork with power and precision. We are a welcoming group of women who practice in a great place with a wooden floor (easier on your knees). Unitarian Universalist Church of Arlington, 4444 Arlington Blvd, 22204 (at George Mason Dr). Info: suzelise@comcast.net or nwdancers@comcast.net.

WEDNESDAYS

ROCK CREEK MORRIS WOMEN • BETHESDA, MD
WEDNESDAYS • 7:30–9:45 PM
Learn English morris dancing and become part of a community that dances, sings, and socializes together. Bethesda Elementary School, 7600 Arlington Rd, 20814 (walkable from Bethesda Metro). Info: RCMW@uswet.com, or uswet.com/RCMW.html.

THURSDAYS

FOGGY BOTTOM MORRIS MEN • TAKOMA, DC
THURSDAYS • 8–10 PM
Experience the vigorous thrill of the morris and the camaraderie of a morris team. Learn and perform dances from English Cotswold villages, mummers' plays, and occasional long sword dances. We welcome new and slightly used dancers to our practices at Knock On Wood Tap Studio, 6925 Willow St NW, 20012, and/or at the pub afterward. Info: Alan Peel, 301-920-1912, squire@fbmm.org, or fbmm.org.

SATURDAYS

SHEPHERDSTOWN DAY OF THE DEAD/DANCE • WV
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 5 • 10 AM TO 6 PM
Join the Hicks with Sticks Border Morris and their other morris comrades for performances on the street in Shepherdstown and Martinsburg. Info: smad.us.

SCANDINAVIAN

SCAN-WALTZ-LISH • ADELPHI, MD (BALLROOM BLUM)
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6 • 2–5 PM
All for three and three for all! Join Andrea Hoag and Aaron Marcus for Scandinavian dance music and waltz from 2 to 3:30 pm, followed by English Country Dancing from 3:30 to 5 pm, with April Blum calling. Potluck to follow, so you can get to the FSGW Sunday night dance. $8 donation suggested ($15 for couples). Info: April Blum, president@fsgw.org.

SUNDAYS

NORWEGIAN POTLUCK & DANCE • COLUMBIA, MD
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 5 • POTLUCK 6:30 PM, DANCING 8 PM
Norwegian-style house party. Mesmerizing live music by Loretta Kelley on the unique Hardanger fiddle (w/sympathetic strings under the bowed strings; see HFAA.org). Addictive dances, some with elements like swing or hambo. Beginners, singles/couples, and watchers/listeners are all welcome. Bring clean shoes to wear, food to share, and bucks you can spare. 6212 Twenty Year Chase, 21045. Cat in house. Host phone just
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in case: Deb, 410-953-0030. Info/directions: MAND.fanitull.org or Jenny, pi@xecu.net or 301-371-4312.

SCANDIA DC DANCE • GREENBELT, MD
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 19 • 7–10 PM
Scandia DC sponsors Scandinavian couple dancing on the 3rd Saturday of the month. This month live fiddle music will feature grammy nominee and our local treasure, Andrea Hoag, and the Scandia DC Spielmannslag. There may be some recorded music. No partners necessary. Teaching 7–8 pm: Special guest teacher, Andrea Larson, an accomplished dancer and fiddler, will teach Festival Slangpolska, a very popular Swedish couple dance with a variety of figures that got rave reviews when she taught it at a very well attended workshop in 2015. Open Dancing 8–10 pm. Greenbelt Community Center Dance Studio (wood floor), 15 Crescent Rd, 20770. $10. Info: Linda Brooks or Ross Schipper, 202-333-2826, Linda@ScandiaDC.org, or ScandiaDC.org. Inclement weather, contact ScandiaDC.org, or 202-333-2826.

SCOTTISH
See rscds-greaterdc.org for all Scottish dance listings

TUESDAYS
GREENBELT SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCE • MD
TUESDAYS • 8–10 PM
Dance all year’ round at the Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Rd, 20770. $8. Info: Jay Andrews, 703-719-0596 or andrewj@rcn.com.

WEDNESDAYS
ALEXANDRIA SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCE • VA
WEDNESDAYS • 8–9:45 PM
Learn Scottish dance at the Durant Center, 1605 Cameron St, 22314. $5. Info: elanyi@cox.net.

SQUARE
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BLUEMONT COUNTRY DANCES • HILLSBORO, VA
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 19 • 8 PM
(BEGINNERS WORKSHOP, 7:30 PM)
Old-time contra dances. Third Saturday of each month, October through May. Held for over 40 years, the dances, which feature old-time contra and square dancing with music provided by live bands, are the Bluemont Concert Series’ oldest tradition and attract residents and visitors throughout the Area. Instruction and figure calling are provided throughout each dance. Families and single dancers are welcome. Hill-sboro Old Stone School, 37098 Charles Town Pike, 20132. Bluemont Friends, Students, and Seniors, $8; Others, $12. Info: bluemont.org. To sponsor a dance, become a Bluemont member, and/or volunteer: Lily Dunning, lily@bluemont.org or 540-955-8186.

Swing/Blues

BACK ROOM BLUES • GLEN ECHO, MD
THURSDAYS • 8:15–11:30 PM
Popular weekly blues dance in the “Back Room” at the Spanish Ballroom, Glen Echo Park. Beginner lesson from 8:15 to 9 pm. Different DJs and instructor’s play blues from 9 to 11:30 pm. 7300 MacArthur Blvd, 20812. Info: Donna Barker, 301-634-2231 or CapitalBlues.org.

WALTZ

AFTERNOON WALTZ • GLEN ECHO, MD
SUNDAYS • 3:30 PM • WITH BEGINNER LESSON AT 2:45
Join us for an afternoon of waltzing! The band will play a lively mix of folk waltzes with other couples dances, including hambo, swing, tango, and polka. Beginner lesson from 2:45 to 3:30 pm. Nopartner required. Glen Echo Spanish Ballroom, 7300 MacArthur Blvd, 20812. $10. Info: 301-397-2208 or 301-634-2222, or waltztimedances.org.

Bulgarian Song Workshops
TAKOMA PARK/SILVER SPRING, MD
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6 • 11:30 AM AND 2 PM
Learn about Bulgarian traditional songs, harmonies, rhythms, and culture at workshops taught by award-winning singer, composer, and educator Tatiana Sarbinska (formerly principal soloist with the Pirin Ensemble) together with Orfeia Vocal Ensemble. Children’s workshop, 11:30 am; adult workshop, 2 pm. Botev Academy Bulgarian School, 8120 Carroll Ave, 20912. $20 adult; $15 child (sibling discount); $5 off with purchase of ticket to Orfeia’s 10th anniversary concert on November 5. Info: Diane, 202-441-3304, orfeia.wordpress.com, or orfeiavocalensemble@gmail.com.

SCANDINAVIAN DANCE CLASSES • BETHESDA, MD
TUESDAYS (NOVEMBER 1, 8, 15, 29)
(Not November 22) 7:30–9:30 PM
Beginning and advanced dancers welcome. Learn hambo, schottis, polskas, springers, and other Swedish and Norwegian couple-turning dances, including requests. Wear smooth-soled shoes (leather soles are best) for turning, not running shoes. $5. First time free. Info: Lynn Walker at 301-834-4020, lisa@HamboDC.org, or Hambodc.org.
Jams/Open Mics/Audience Participation

Sundays

**Acoustic Jam • Annapolis, MD**
**Sundays 10 am to 12 PM**
Indoors at the Visitor Center, Quiet Waters Park, 600 Quiet Waters Park Rd, 21403. Info/confirm: ken.i.mayer@gmail.com.

**Bluegrass Jam • Brunswick, MD**
**2nd and 5th Sundays, 3–5 PM**

**Bluegrass Jam • Herndon, VA**
**1st and 3rd Sundays, 1–4 PM**
Frying Pan Park, 2709 W Ox Rd, 20171. Held outdoors in summer months, in the Country Store in winter months. Info/directions: 703-437-9101.

**DC Bluegrass Union • Dupont Circle Jam**
**Washington, DC**
**1st Sundays • 11 am to 2 PM**
The Mansion, 2020 O St NW, 20036 (Dupont Circle Metro). Info: Mike Marceau, mikemarceau@juno.com.

**CABOMA Jam • Arlington, VA**
**2nd and 4th Sundays • 2–6 PM**
Capital Area Bluegrass & Old-Time Music Association holds jams at Lyon Park Community Center, 414 N. Fillmore St (at Pershing Dr), 22201. Slow Jam, 2–3 pm; Regular Jam continues until 6 pm. Info: Don, 703-522-1696 or caboma.org.

**Classic Country & Gospel Jam • Silver Spring, MD**
**2nd Sundays • 2–5 PM**
The Sunday jam welcomes a wide range of musical abilities and acoustic instruments, as well as voice. Playlist, directions, info: Dorie Hightower, 301-706-7633, SundayJam.org.

**Fifth Sunday Acoustic Jam • Reston, VA**
**5th Sundays, 1–4 PM**
Happens about four times a year. All bluegrass, old-time, and acoustic instruments welcome. Reston Used Book Shop (at Reston’s Lake Anne Plaza), 1623 Washington Plaza, 20190. Info: 703-435-9772.

**Kids’ Open Mic**
**3rd Sundays • 1:30–2:30 PM**

**Old-Time Jam • Brunswick, MD**
**1st and 3rd Sundays • 3–5 PM**
Open to all with a fiddle, banjo, mandolin, or guitar that wish to join an open group for merry music making. Beans in the Belfry, 120 W Potomac St, 21716. Info: 301-834-7178.

Old-Time Jam • Richmond, VA
**Sundays 2–5 PM**
Bluegrass/Old-Time stringed instruments only. Cary Street Café, 2631 West Cary St, 23220. Info/directions: 804-353-7445.

Sacred Harp Singing • Sandy Spring, MD
**3rd Sundays • 4–6 PM**
Singing followed by a potluck supper. Location is a small schoolhouse behind the Community Building, 17801 Meetinghouse Rd, 20860 (about 10 miles west of Laurel). Info: Dave Greene, 301-570-3283 or dgreene@all-systems.com.

Scottish Country Jam • Alexandria, VA
**4th Sundays • 2–5 PM**
John Strongbow’s Tavern, 710 King St, 22314. Info: Peter@boghadubh@gmail.com or dcscottishsession.blogspot.com.

Vienna/Oakton Shape Note Sing • Oakton, VA
**3rd Sundays • 5–7:30 PM**

Ukulele Jam • Riverdale, MD
**1st Sundays • 2–4 PM**

Mondays

Balkan Singing • Takoma Park, MD
**Mondays • 8 PM**
Informal singing group, Sedenka, meets to sing Balkan village songs. Interested novices welcome. Info: Katya, 301-270-4175 or Katya@partan.com.

DC Bluegrass Union Jam • Takoma Park, MD
**1st and 3rd Mondays • 7–10 PM**
Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 350, 6420 Orchard Ave, 20912 (corner of Orchard and 4th, just a few blocks from the intersection of New Hampshire and Eastern). Info: VFW Post 350, 301-270-8008 or Barb Diederich at Barb@BarbDiederich.com.

Sea Chantey Open Pub Sing • Wheaton, MD
**1st Mondays • 8–10 PM**
The Ship’s Company chanteymen host open mic chantey sings. No cover or minimum; Arrive early for a table. Participation encouraged but not mandatory. Requests honored if possible. Mostly a cappella but instruments welcome. Limerick Pub, 11301 Elkin St, 20902. Info: Myron Peterson, ructic@yahoo.com or ShipsCompany.org.
COMMUNITY SING AT REVELS • SILVER SPRING, MD
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 21 • 6:30–8:30 PM
Revels and Carpe Diem Arts sponsor a monthly community sing on the 21st of every month. All ages welcome. No experience necessary. Bring refreshments and songs to share if you wish. November themes: Thanksgiving, American-Indian Heritage, and Nordic cultures (in connection with this year’s Christmas Revels production). November birthdays celebrated. Free will donations. Revels Studio Space, 531 Dale Dr, 20910. Info: Jo Rasi, jrasi@revelsdc.org or 301-587-3835, or Busy Graham, BusyGraham@CarpeDiemArts.org or 301-466-0183.

TOUCHED BY SONG GOSPEL JAM • HERNDON, VA
3RD MONDAYS, 7:30–9 PM
Acoustic circle jam. Share favorite gospel, hymns, or praise songs or just play along. Open to all ages and skill levels. Floris United Methodist Church, 13600 Frying Pan Rd, 20171. Info: debbie@touchedbysongs.com or florisumc.org/touched-by-songs.

TUESDAYS
OLD-TIME JAM • BALTIMORE, MD
ALTERNATE TUESDAYS • 7–10:30 PM
Slow jam 7 pm, fast jam 8 pm. Ken and Brad Kolodner lead the Baltimore Old-Time Jam at Liam Flynn’s Ale House, 22 W North Ave, 21201. Info: KenandBrad.com or Baltimore Bluegrass Jam Facebook page.

 CAPITAL Accord Chorus • SILVER SPRING, MD
TUESDAYS • 7:30–9 PM
SING FOR THE HOLIDAYS with the Capital Accord Chorus, an all-women’s a cappella group singing in the barbershop style. Starting November 1, join us Tuesday evenings, 7:30 – 9 pm to rehearse Holiday songs and participate in DC-metro-area performances during December (performs may be on other days, too). Free and open rehearsals. We meet at Northwood High School in the Chorus Room, 919 University Blvd W, 20901. Info: 1-301-392-SONG (7664), admin@capitalaccord.org or capitalaccord.org.

DC Shape Note Sing • WASHINGTON, DC
3RD TUESDAYS • 7:30 PM
We sing from both The Sacred Harp and Shenandoah Harmony. Loaner book available and books for sale. Everyone welcome to bring snacks and friends. Capitol Hill Presbyterian Church, 201 4th St SE, 20003 (Enter side door, left of the main steps. Street parking possible; 10 minutes from Capitol South and Eastern Market Metros; 20 minutes from Union Station). Info: John, 540-955-2660 or dcshapenote.squarespace.com.

OPEN MIC • FALLS CHURCH, VA
1ST TUESDAYS • 8 PM
Hosted by Crazy After Midnight. JV’s Restaurant, 6666 Arlington Blvd, 22042. Info: 703-241-9504, jvrest@aol.com, 703-216-0560, or avnocero@gmail.com.

RESTON/HERNDON FOLK CLUB
HERNDON, VA
TUESDAYS • 7:15 PM
Open mic format. Doors open at 6 pm. Second Tuesday includes 25-minute member showcase. Third Tuesday often features monthly concerts, price varies. Amphiara Diner Deluxe, 201 Woodbury Ave, 25404, bluegrassmusicalliance.org/local-area-jams/.

CAJUN JAM • GREENBELT, MD
4TH WEDNESDAYS • 7–9 PM

SEA CHANTY OPEN PUB SING
2ND (BALTIMORE), 3RD (ANNAPOLES), AND 4TH (DC) WEDNESDAYS • 8–10 PM
The Ship’s Company chanteymen host open mic chantey sings. Participation encouraged but not mandatory. Requests honored if possible. Info: Myron Peterson, rustic@yahoo.com or ShipsCompay.org.

November
9 Wharf Rat, 801 S Anne St (Fell’s Pt), Baltimore, MD 21231
16 Galway Bay, 63 Maryland Ave, Annapolis, MD 21401
23 Laughing Man Tavern, 1306 G St NW, Washington, DC 20005

THURSDAYS
OPEN BLUEGRASS JAM • BRUNSWICK, MD
1ST THURSDAY 6:30–9 PM
Hosted by Bobby Bales and Claude Jones. Bobby is a legendary lead guitarist in the Grassy Ridge Band. All are welcome to join in. Beans in the Belfry, 120 W Potomac St, 21716. Info: 301-834-7178.

ACOUSTIC OPEN MIC • RIVERDALE, MD
1ST THURSDAYS • 7:30–10 PM
If you have a song or three to share with others, original or otherwise, stop in and show your stuff. Archie Edwards Blues Heritage Foundation, 4701 Queensbury Rd. in Riverdale, MD 20737, acousticblues.com/events/events.html.
FOLKSONG SING-IN • WHEATON, MD
3RD THURSDAYS • 8–10 PM
Join local musician John Durant, Jr. every month for this musical gathering. Everyone gets a chance to lead the room in song. Bring your favorite folk tunes, your voice, and even your instruments for a great evening of song and pub-style fellowship. The Limerick Pub, 11301 Elkin St, 20902 (corner of Elkin & Price). Venue info: thelimerickpub.net.

SEA CHANTY OPEN PUB SING • TYSONS CORNER, VA
2ND THURSDAYS • 8–10 PM
The Ship's Company chanteysmen host open mic chantey sings. No cover or minimum; arrive early for a table. Participation encouraged but not mandatory. Requests honored if possible. Mostly a cappella but instruments welcome. Paddy Barry’s Irish Pub and Restaurant, 8150 Leesburg Pike, 22182 (Rte 7 near 123; half-mile walk from Tysons Corner or Greensboro Metros). Info: Myron Peterson, ructic@yahoo.com or ShipsCompany.org.

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Fridays
CARPE DIEM WOMEN'S SONG CIRCLE
SILVER SPRING, MD
NOVEMBER 4 • 7–9:30 PM
Requested donation: $15–$25. Silver Spring address will be provided with RSVP: BusyGraham@CarpeDiemArts.org or 301-466-0183.

GLEN ECHO OPEN BAND • GLEN ECHO, MD
2ND FRIDAYS • 8:30–11:30 PM
The fabulous Glen Echo Open Band plays for the second-Friday contra dance. All instruments and levels of ability welcome. Find recordings, tune book names, and page numbers of tunes played by The Open Band at OpenBandOnline.com (site works best using iTunes on a PC or Mac). Info: FridayNightDance.org.

COLD TURKEY JAM • TAKOMA, DC
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 25 • 6:30 PM
Annual jam at Electric Maid started by the late Phil Fox. Bring those leftovers and instruments, as well as donations for the fundraising bargain table. Dinner followed by open sing/jam. 268 Carroll St NW, 20012 (Takoma Metro). $5-10 donation. Info: severn.savage@att.net.

Saturdays
ARCHIE EDWARDS BLUES HERITAGE FOUNDATION
ACOUSTIC BLUES JAM • RIVERDALE, MD
SATURDAYS • 1–5 PM
Acoustic instruments, all levels; listeners also welcome. 4701 Queensbury Rd, 20737 (across from Riverdale MARC train station; ample parking). Free, but donations welcome. Info: 301-396-3054 or acousticblues.com.

SHAPE NOTE SINGING • BERRYVILLE VA
1ST SATURDAYS • 4–8 PM
Shape note singers will gather at Josephine School Museum, 303 Josephine St, 22611. Potluck supper (picnic-style; no kitchen facilities). Info: shenandoahharmony.com, dcshapenote.squarespace.com, or call John or Kelly at 540-955-2660.

WASHINGTON'S SPELMANSLAG • KENSINGTON, MD
2ND AND 4TH SATURDAYS • 2:30–4:30 PM
Open rehearsals for a small orchestra playing traditional Swedish music. Info: JuliaBorland3250@gmail.com.

Weekends, Festivals & Special Events
PITTSBURGH FALL DANCE WEEKEND
NOVEMBER 11–13
Contra dance to the music of The Coffee Zombies and Turnip the Beet, with calling by Michael Hamilton & Gaye Effner. Register (and see schedule): pittsburghcontra.org. Info: gaye effner@gmail.com.

UPPER POTOMAC MUSIC WEEKENDS 2017
SHEPHERDSTOWN, WV
Workshops take place in the relaxed retreat setting of Shepherd University and the surrounding historic buildings in Shepherdstown, WV. Discounts when applying before December 1. Info: upperpotomacmusic.info, 304-263-2531, or upperpotomac@gmail.com.

FIDDLE RETREAT • JANUARY 6–8, 2017
Workshops, Concert, Jam Sessions, and a Contra Dance for fiddlers and those who play with them. A variety of styles are presented by some of the region's finest fiddle teachers with an emphasis on dance fiddle styles including Cape Breton, Appalachian, New England and swing. 2017 teachers are Alan Jabbour (old-time), Alexander Mitchell (swing), Andrea Hoag (Scandinavian, English), Graham DeZarn (Irish), Katie McNally (Scottish/Cape Breton), and Elke Baker (Sampler), along with Dave Wiesler (piano), Karen Ashbrook (hammered dulcimer) and Paul Oorts (mandolin and mixed-instrument classes).

PIPER WEEKEND • JANUARY 13–15, 2017
Weekend retreat featuring classes, concerts, sessions, and private tutorials for a variety of bellows-blown bagpipes, flute, fiddle, and mixed instruments. Staff include: Joey Abarta (uileann pipes), Nathan Gourley (Irish fiddle), John Skelton (Irish flute), Dick Hensold (Northumbrian smallpipes), Iain MacHarg, Hollis Easter, Nick Hudson, and Bob Mitchell, on Scottish smallpipes and borderpipes: as well as hurdy-gurdy player Brian McCandless (repertoire). Classes for all levels of ability; high-quality rental Scottish smallpipes are available for new pipers who wish to try them for the weekend.
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