

FSGW Concert

Takoma Park, MD



Jake Blount

Award-Winning Fiddler

Friday, January 31 • 8 pm

Jake Blount is an award-winning fiddler, banjoist, singer, and scholar whose performances, compositions, and research venerate and reflect the traditional music of African-American and Indigenous communities in the southeastern US. He is half of the internationally touring duo **Tui** and a 2020 Strathmore Artist in Residence. In 2016, Blount became the first Black person to make the finals at the prestigious Appalachian String Band Music Festival in Clifftop, West Virginia, and the first to win in the traditional band category. In the following year, he received a bachelor of arts in ethnomusicology from Hamilton College and released his debut EP, *Reparations*, with award-winning fiddler **Tatiana Hargreaves**. He has shared his music and research at the Smithsonian Institution, the Museum of Fine Arts in Boston, Massachusetts, and other museums, colleges, and universities. Blount's live performances are truly inspiring and wholly mesmerizing. Come see for yourself as we celebrate his receiving this year's Claude Martin Memorial Award! 8 pm Concert (7 pm Doors), \$15 for Members, \$20 for Nonmembers. Learn more about Jake Blount at jakeblount.com. Potter Violins 7711 Eastern Avenue, 20912.

Claude Martin Memorial Honorary Life Membership

"**Fiddlin' Claude**" **Martin** (1987-2016) was one of the finest fiddle players of his generation, and he embodied everything the Folklore Society of Greater Washington has worked since 1964 to promote: a link between old traditions and new generations, not only using his talent to present vibrant interpretations of timeless music, but understanding the role of the music as that golden thread that weaves our community.

In his memory, the Folklore Society of Greater Washington awards an honorary life membership in FSGW to an accomplished yet rising traditional artist under 30. We are pleased to announce that this year's recipient is **Jake Blount**. A resident of Washington, DC, **Jake** embodies the artistry, scholarship, and contribution to community of Martin's legacy that this award honors.

REMINDER: Unless otherwise noted, all FSGW concerts are pay-at-the-door, no advance ticket sales, no reservations needed.

There will be enough seats. For house concerts, you must RSVP in order to get the address, but for all other concerts, just come!

This is one way we keep our production costs and ticket prices low.

fsgw dances

FSGW SUNDAY NIGHT DANCES

AT THE SPANISH BALLROOM, GLEN ECHO PARK, MD

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. FSGW allows callers to choose role names with at least one gender-free dance each month. Bring water or a sports drink, and dress in layers. Smooth-soled shoes are kindest on your knees and ankles when turning. **\$13 for non-members, \$10 for FSGW, BFMS, CDSS, and ATDS members/\$5 under 18 or with student ID. Info: dance@fsgw.org.**

January

- 5** **Kalia Kliban** calls with **Kathleen Fownes** and **Everest Witman** of *Nova*, with **Jesse Ball**
- 12** **Scott Higgs** calls to **Carrie Rose** (flute), **Owen Morrison** (guitar), and **David Knight** (fiddle).
- 19** **Ann Fallon** calls with **Countercurrent: Alex Sturbaum** (guitar), and **Brian Lindsay** (fiddle). Dance terms: Ladies and Gents.
- 26** TBA call with **Rachel Eddy and the Rock Farmers**



FSGW FAMILY DANCE · GLEN ECHO, MD

SUNDAY, JANUARY 12 · 3-5 PM

Caller and music TBA. The FSGW Family Dance (at the Glen Echo Park Spanish Ballroom Annex) allows kids and adults to experience the joy of dance. Bring your entire family, your neighbors, your church or synagogue group, your scout troop. No experience is necessary, just come out and dance. A patient and experienced family-dance leader will get everyone on the floor with a focus on HAVING FUN! While the target age is children ages 4-12, many babies have started dancing by bouncing along in a carrier. \$5 ages 4+. **Info: dance@fsgw.org**

SUPPORT FOLK MUSIC ON YOUR LOCAL COMMUNITY RADIO STATIONS!

Saturday nights listen to **Mary Cliff's Traditions** (Washington's longest-running radio show devoted to folk music) from 9 pm to midnight on WERA-FM Arlington (96.7 FM or streaming at wera.fm). FSGW congratulates **Mary Cliff** on her induction into the **Folk DJ Hall of Fame** at the 2018 **Folk Alliance Conference** in Kansas City.



And tune in to WOWD-LP Takoma Park (94.3 FM or streaming at takomaradio.org); many shows of interest to blues, folk, reggae, and other traditional music enthusiasts. Full schedule/show descriptions at takomaradio.org.



Rachel Eddy

Multi-Instrumental Talent
and Soulful Singing

Friday, January 10 • 6–8 pm

Rachel Eddy hails from West Virginia, where she grew up steeped in Appalachian music and dance. Known throughout the world for her dynamic, emotionally powerful performances and virtuosic playing on the fiddle and banjo, she is now based in Alexandria VA, and brings her multi-instrumental talent and soulful singing to the Alexandria After Work stage in a rare local performance. She's performed alongside the likes of **Tim O'Brien**, **Bruce Molsky**, and **Uncle Earl**, invigorated the Swedish old-time scene after a years-long residence in Stockholm, and currently tours with **The Early Mays** (Pittsburgh) and **The Kolodner Quartet** (Baltimore). Don't miss this special concert from one of old-time's most respected and electrifying musicians!

Co-sponsored by the Office of Historic Alexandria and FSGW, this is part of the Alexandria After Work concert series held in the heart of Old Town Alexandria at 6 pm on second Fridays. Take the free trolley that runs every 15 minutes from King Street Metro station! At The Lyceum, 201 S. Washington St., 22314. \$15 suggested donation; cash bar.



FSGW MINI-FEST

SILVER SPRING, MD

SATURDAY,

FEBRUARY 1

NOON-10:30 PM

It's time for the FSGW Mini-Fest, an annual celebration of all things FSGW – chanteys and stories, dances and duets, hambos and hornpipes, banjos and bodhrans and ballads. There are two dance tracks and more than forty workshops and concerts at seven different venues throughout the school (plus unscheduled hallway shenanigans, usually involving Morris dancers, bells, sticks and hankies). It's a sure-fire cure for the winter blues!! We'll be at our usual location – Takoma Park Middle School, 7611 Piney Branch Road.

As of press time (early December), the wonderful programmers are still working out specifics, but a complete schedule will be posted and updated (frequently) on the fabulous FSGW website. Mark your calendars – here's a brief list to whet your musical appetite:

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- 👉 In the Cafetorium, six hours of concerts programmed by **Charlie Baum**, including a concert of Balkan *a capella* music by **Slaveya**, instrumental Balkan music by the **Ha Segal!** duo; honky-tonk country music by **Karen Collins and the Backroads Band**; Irish music and dance by **The Bog Band**; music of the sea and other bodies of water by **Washington Revels Maritime Voices**; and the afternoon concludes with Roma-influenced jazz from **Djangolaya** and the New Orleans-style roots music of the **Capitol Hillbillies**.
- 👉 The Storytelling Program is again organized by **Tim Livengood**. This year's program will honor the memory of **Bob Rovinsky** with stories from one generation to another. Tellers include: **Barbara Effron, Jane Dorfman, Noa Baum, Laura J. Bobrow, Miriam Nadel, Tim Livengood**, and the **Twinbrook Tellers** – the next generation of storytellers.
- 👉 The Jams Room, programmed by **Charlie Baum** and **April Blum**, should include a Gospel Sing, Shape Note Singing, a Doo-Wop Sing, a blues jam featuring musicians from **Archie's Barbershop** and, new this year, Suffrage Movement songs led by **Steve Woodbury**.
- 👉 The Traditional Song Room, programmed by **Lisa Null**, will feature singers **Don Stallone, Skip Casale, Melissa Weaver Dunning, Kevin Elam, Martha Burns, Dan Kaufman, Eleanor Ellis, Steve Winick, Bea Leman, Pete Kraemer, Connie McKenna** and **The Spilsbury Sisters** (ballad singers **Guen and Liz Spilsbury**).
- 👉 The American Roots track, hosted by **Jan Scopel** and **Kim Forry**, will feature **The Zsebenyi Family** and Appalachian fiddle music; **Tony and Marge Sume**, old-time porch groove music with fiddle and guitar; **The Fiddlin' Willie Band** for toe-tapping Americana, and an old time Jam led by **Sandy Hoferth** of **Backstep Cindy** from 5-6.
- 👉 The Family Room, programmed by **Ingrid Gorman**, will feature participatory song and dance for families. There's **Carpe Diem Arts Ukestra**; a family dance led by **Kappy Laning**; an hour of open mic audience participation, and music by **Bill Jenkins, King Bullfrog**; and **The All New Genetically Altered Jug Band**.
- 👉 The Spare Room will include a small pipes workshop led by **Dan Gillespie**; an Appalachian dulcimer workshop, led by **Carl and Kathleen Gotzmer**; and a chantey sing, hosted by **Brad Graham**.
- 👉 The Main Gym will feature six hours of participatory dance, beginning at noon with Scottish Country Dance, followed by Flamenco, Tango, English Country Dance, Scandinavian Dance, and French balfolk. The Auxiliary Gym features waltz, couples dancing, contra, a barn dance for all, and a repeat of last year's very popular rappersword workshop, led by members of **Sligo Creek Sword**.
- 👉 From 7:30 to 10:30, two simultaneous evening programs – in the Main Gym, an engaging evening of English Country Dance with local musicians and callers; and in the Cafetorium, a concert of music and stories, programmed by **Charlie Baum** and inspired by the works of the storyteller **Bob Rovinsky**.

— April Blum, Mini-Fest Chair

Ticket prices are the same this year:



Mini-Fest Admission Saturday, February 1



Ticket prices are the same this year:

Day plus Evening (noon to 10:30 pm)

FSGW Adult Member \$18; FSGW Child (6–12) \$9; FSGW Family Maximum \$50
Non-FSGW Adult \$23; Non-FSGW Child (6–12) \$11; Non-FSGW Family Maximum \$65

Day (noon to 6 ONLY)

FSGW Adult Member 12; FSGW Child (6–12) \$6; FSGW Family Maximum \$35
Non-FSGW Adult 18; Non-FSGW Child (6–12) \$8; Non-FSGW Family Maximum \$50

Evening (6 to 10:30 ONLY)

FSGW Adult \$10; FSGW Child 6–12 \$7; FSGW Family Maximum \$30
Non-FSGW Adult \$13; Non-FSGW Child 6–12 \$8; Non-FSGW Family Maximum \$40

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. Bring clean, nonscuffing 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. \$14/\$12 members (FSGW, BFMS, CDSS, ATDS)/\$7 students and those with limited income. **Info:** English@fsgw.org. Please consider adding a donation of any amount to support students and those with limited income, and to increase payments for performers.

January



1
Stephanie Smith calls to the music of **Jeff Steinberg** (fiddle), **Sophie Chang** (cello), and **Melissa Running** (piano)



8
Dan Gillespie calls the dances while **Tina Chancey** (fiddle), **Ralph Gordon** (cello), and **Neil Epstein** (piano) play



15
Kappy Laning calls the dances while **Becky Ross** (fiddle), **Carrie Rose** (flute), and **Janina O'Brien** (piano) make the music

22

Anna Rain calls the dances to the playing of **Elisabeth Epstein** (flute), **Paul Oorts** (mandolin and accordion), and **Liz Donaldson** (piano)



29
Melissa Running calls the dances to the music of **Colleen Reed** (flute), **Owen Morrison** (guitar), and **Liz Donaldson** (piano)



fsgw co-sponsored dances

CARPE DIEM! CONTRA DANCE • SILVER SPRING, MD

THURSDAY, JANUARY 9 • 7:30-10 PM • (FREE INTRO WORKSHOP 7-7:30 PM)



Kappy Lanning calls with *Terpsichore* which is **Elke Baker** (fiddle), **Ralph Gordon** (bass), **Liz Donaldson** (piano). Come to the Great Hall in the Silver Spring Civic Building, One Veterans Plaza, 20910 and enjoy the Second Thursday Silver Spring Contra Dance, presented by Carpe Diem Arts in partnership with FSGW, Washington Revels and Takoma Radio; with additional support from Montgomery County Department of Recreation. Free parking in the Ellsworth garage. \$8 for FSGW/BFMS/CDSS/Revels members. \$10 for non-members, \$5 for students, and free for first-timers. **Info:** Bob Mathis, talibob@starpower.net or Busy-Graham@CarpeDiemArts.org, 301-466-0183 www.carpediemarts.org/dance-with-us



fsgw Co-sponsored dances

GLEN ECHO INTERNATIONAL FOLK DANCERS · GLEN ECHO, MD NEW DAY: WEDNESDAYS/NEW LOCATION · 7:30–10:45 PM

The *Glen Echo Folk Dancers* are now meeting **WEDNESDAY** evenings at Glen Echo Park. This month, they will be held in Classroom 302/303 in the Arcade. Starting February, they will be held in the Spanish Ballroom Back Room (temperature-controlled with a sprung wood floor). Dance instruction from 7:30-9 pm followed by open request dancing until 10:45 pm. All ages and abilities welcome. No partner necessary. Mostly gender-free. Occasional parties and workshops. Adm: \$8. **Info:** dancingplanetproductions.com/folkdance.htm, or call Jamie 301-466-3018.

GREENBELT INTERNATIONAL FOLK DANCING · GREENBELT, MD FRIDAYS · 9:15–10:45 PM (INTRO: 8:30–9:15 PM)

We focus on dance from Eastern Europe and Scandinavia. No partner or experience necessary. Beautiful wood dance floor. Teaching from 8:30 to 9:15 pm, requests from 9:15 on. Greenbelt Community Center Dance Studio, 15 Crescent Rd, 20770. \$7/3.50 students and seniors/first-timers free. **Info:** Larry Weiner, 301-565-0539, larry@larryweiner.com, larryweiner.com/FridayDance.htm. No Dance January 3.

FSGW Sings and Storytelling

FSGW OPEN SING · KENSINGTON, MD

FRIDAY, JANUARY 3 • 8 PM

Singers go around the room, giving everyone a chance to sing a song, play a tune, or pass. Most songs are presented from memory, but cheat sheets often appear. Everyone is welcome. The open sings have a loose topic to encourage us to learn new songs or put the polish back on some old ones. Don't worry if you can't think of a song on the topic—come join in the fun anyway! Topic: Cities and States (let's do a bit of virtual traveling!). This month, held at the home of Nancy King **Info:** nking2@verizon.net, Kensington 20895-2213.

FSGW GOSPEL SING · BETHESDA, MD

SUNDAY, JANUARY 12 • 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 group singing after supper until 8 pm. Everyone is welcome! This month's Gospel Sing will take place at the home of Larry Cope in Bethesda MD. **Info:** email larry_cope@verizon.com or call 301-718-6564.

FSGW DOO-WOP SING · POTOMAC, MD

SATURDAY JANUARY 18 • 6:30 PM

(OPTIONAL POTLUCK • 5:30 PM)

Remember those classic harmonies from the early days of rock—from groups like the *Platters*, The *Clovers*, and The *Drifters*? Not to mention the great girl groups such as the *Shirelles*, the *Angels*, the *Crystals*, the *Dixie Cups*, etc. Come join us as we sing those wonderful songs from that

era, such as: "Under the Boardwalk; Goodnight, Sweetheart; Goin' to the Chapel"; and so many more. Lyrics are provided. At the home of Al Kehs and Lynne Blei. **Info/rsvp:** Ron Davies, 301-270-9365 or rondavies7@icloud.com.

FSGW-COSPONSORED:

CIRCLE OF LIFE SONG CIRCLE · ROCKVILLE, MD

TUESDAYS, JANUARY 7 AND 21 • 11 AM TO NOON

Usually on the first and third Tuesdays of each month. Cosponsored by FSGW and the Bender Jewish Community Center of Greater Washington. Sing favorite songs and make new friends! The song circle is about the joy of singing. 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; \$5 lunch available afterwards. At Bender Jewish Community Center of Greater Washington, 6125 Montrose Rd, 20852. **Info** or to volunteer: Frieda Enoch, fenoeh@jccgw.org or Fred Stollnitz, fstollnitz@comcast.net.

FSGW-COSPONSORED:

SCHWEINHAUT SONG CIRCLE · SILVER SPRING, MD

THIRD WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15 • 1 TO 3 PM

This song circle provides a daytime opportunity to enjoy great songs, old or new, humorous or serious, timeless or topical. The Song Circle, co-sponsored by FSGW and Carpe Diem Arts, is about the joy of group singing, not about talent. No need to read music; printed words are provided for songs that have been suggested in advance, and you may lead or request any song, whether or not we have printed words. Everyone is welcome, regardless of age

or experience, including instrumental accompanists. Wendy Lanxner will be a song leader and guitar accompanist. Come when you can and leave when you must, but do come to sing or just to listen! Free! Margaret Schweinhaut Senior Center, 1000 Forest Glen Rd, 20901. **Info:** Fred Stollnitz, fstollnitz@comcast.net.

STORYTELLING

FSGW STORYSWAP • NWDC SATURDAY, JANUARY 4 • 7:30 PM

Storytellers and listeners are invited to the home of Starr Kopper for an evening of shared stories and potluck snacks. Free. **Info:** starrkopper@gmail.com for RSVPs and directions.

FSGW-COSPONSORED:

GRAPEVINE WORKSHOP • BETHESDA MD TUESDAY, JANUARY 7 • 6:30 PM

Every one of us has a story about who we are. Some are wildly inspiring; other times, they are the very things that hold us back. **Minton Sparks** believes that tremendous value lies in locating yourself within a particular time and place in history. After all, many wonderful artistic pursuits are born out of autobiographies. This workshop offers you an opportunity to better discover who you are through exploring and listening deeply to your own story. During this

3-hour writing workshop, you will focus on the questions "Where are you from?" and "How does where you are from inform the definition of who you are?" while writing your own stories, exploring your family tree, studying storytelling techniques and learning from Minton's own work and experience. Minton will then guide you through using your stories to create various poems, pictures, and performances. No writing or performance experience necessary. Workshop will take place in Bethesda, not far from Bethesda Library. Exact address will be provided after registration. Workshop size is limited, and we expect it to fill. Register soonest to guarantee your spot! \$75. **Info:** <http://mintonsparks.com/workshops/>

FSGW-COSPONSORED:

THE GRAPEVINE • TAKOMA, DC WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 8 • 7:30 PM

The Grapevine Storytelling Series at Busboys and Poets in Takoma Park, with featured tellers **Minton Sparks** and **Tim Livengood**. Hosted by **Noa Baum**, **Renée Brachfeld**, and **Tim Livengood**, the Grapevine features storytelling in any style or tradition, true or fictional. Come early to try for one of three open-mic spots. Open-mic starts at 7:30PM, before the featured tellers. \$15 donation or what you can afford. Dinner service during show. BB&P at 235 Carroll St NW, Washington, DC. **Info:** <https://www.facebook.com/GrapevineStorytelling/>

classes

SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCE CLASS • BETHESDA, MD MONDAY EVENINGS • 7:30 - 9:30 PM

Learn Scottish Country Dancing - Have fun while getting good exercise and challenging your brain! Classes at Building T-39 Aerobics Facility, National Institutes of Health, at Wisconsin Ave. & South Drive, Bethesda, MD \$5/class, membership available. **Info:** Michelle Fannon, 301-460-4751 Susan Keyes, 240-426-1899 Joan MacLeod, 301-622-5945 rscds-greaterdc.org

SCANDINAVIAN DANCE CLASSES • BETHESDA, MD TUESDAYS, 7, 14 & 21 NOT JANUARY 28 • 7:30 PM

Beginning and advanced dancers welcome. Learn hambo, schottis, polskas, springars, 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 (please leave a message for a return call), lisa@hambo.dance, or Hambodc.org.

THE NORDIC DANCERS OF WASHINGTON, DC SILVER SPRING, MD WEDNESDAYS JANUARY 8, 15, 22, & 29 • 7:30-10 PM

The Nordic Dancers preserve the traditions of community dance groups in Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway, and Sweden. Music by fiddler **Paul Carlson**, a professional musician and teacher widely recognized for his skill and enthusiasm for Scandinavian music. Highland View Elementary School, 9010 Providence Ave., Silver Spring, MD. No charge the first time; \$4.00 per session thereafter.

Info: Chris Kalke, 301-864-1596, ckalke@verizon.net. <https://sites.google.com/site/nordicdancersdc/>

SET AND CEILI DANCE CLASSES • SILVER SPRING, MD THURSDAYS • 7-9:30 PM

The Greater Washington Ceili Club (GWCC) holds weekly Irish set & ceili dance classes (adult & ages 12 & up) in a friendly, relaxed environment, year-round on Thursday evenings in Silver Spring. The spring semester includes 18 classes and will run January 23 - May 21; 7-8pm for new dancers/basics, 8-9:30pm for advanced dances. No experience or partner needed; wear comfortable clothes and leather or smooth-soled shoes. In addition to weekly instruction, there is a monthly mini-ceili (instead of the advanced class) with live music & open to all: 2/20, 3/19, 4/16 & 5/21 (a small donation is requested for musicians). Argyle Park Activities Bldg, 1030 Forest Glen Rd, 20901. \$50/semester, register and pay at class, first class free. **Info:** Instructor P. O'Donnell, 301-649-6410, info@gwcc-online.org, or gwcc-online.org.

ADULT SEAN-NÓS & SOCIAL DANCE CLASSES STANTON PARK, WASHINGTON D.C. TUESDAYS JANUARY 7-FEBRUARY 10 • 7-8:30 PM

Six week series in sean-nós, two handed, and set dance for both beginning and experienced adult dancers. Shenanigans Art Space is located 2 blocks from Union Station and Metro RED line. **Info:** Brian Ó hAirt at Brian@capitalirisharts.com or 503-387-1857.

classes continued**GROUP UKULELE CLASS W/MAUREEN ANDARY
TAKOMA DC****SATURDAYS, JANUARY 18 - FEBRUARY 25, 1-2 PM
(OR ONLINE SESSION 2:15-3:15)**

For advanced beginner players who already know a few chords & strums. Work on strumming patterns & right hand techniques and build your chord knowledge. Held at private home in Takoma DC, close to House of Musical Traditions. This class will also be offered online through the Zoom video conference app - attend from anywhere! \$159. **Info:** Advance registration required through hmtrad.com, or call House of Musical Traditions at 301-270-9090.

**BEGINNING GUITAR GROUP CLASS W/NOAH GITLIS
TAKOMA PARK, MD****THURSDAYS, JANUARY 16 - FEBRUARY 6, 8-9 PM**

For adult & high school beginners to guitar. Noah will teach chords, strumming patterns & basic guitar theory. Held at House of Musical Traditions, 7010 Westmoreland Ave, Takoma Park, MD. \$100. **Info:** Advance registration required through hmtrad.com, or call HMT at 301-270-9090.

IRISH TUESDAYS W/MEGHAN METTE • ROCKVILLE, MD**TUESDAYS, JANUARY 21 - FEBRUARY 11, 7:30-8:30 PM**

For intermediate players of melodic instruments (fiddle, flute, etc). Learn idiomatic styles in traditional Irish music - jigs, reels, polkas, slides, regional variations. Held at School of Musical Traditions, 1057 Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD. \$100. **Info:** Advance registration required through hmtrad.com, or call 240-690-1910

**BEGINNING MANDOLIN GROUP CLASS
w/JUSTIN HEATH • ROCKVILLE, MD
THURSDAYS, FEBRUARY 6-27, 7-8 PM**

For adult & high school beginners to mandolin. Justin will walk you through how to pick a melody and hold down the chord structure. Held at School of Musical Traditions, 1057 Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD. \$100. **Info:** Advance registration required through hmtrad.com, or call 240-690-1910

**OLD-TIME JAM DROP-IN CLASS • TAKOMA PARK, MD
EVERY THURSDAY • 7:30-8:30 PM**

Weekly drop-in class with Noah Bowman for adults who can play their instrument but need some guidance on what to do in an old-time jam. \$12/session. Advance registration required through hmtrad.com, **Info:** School of Musical Traditions at 240-690-1910

**JAMMING WITH OTHERS DROP-IN CLASS
ROCKVILLE, MD
EVERY THURSDAY • 8-9 PM**

Weekly drop-in class with Justin Heath at School of Musical Traditions in Rockville, MD. Learn how to follow a chord structure and play along to lyrics. All instrumentalists welcome. \$12/session. Advance registration required through hmtrad.com, **Info:** School of Musical Traditions at 240-690-1910



Concerts

A list of folk and folk-related performances is maintained by Mary Cliff, at her website: <http://marycliff.net/whoswhere.php>.

Monday**AN ACOUSTIC NIGHT WITH THE NIGHTHAWKS
ROCKVILLE, MD****MONDAY, JANUARY 13 • 7:30 PM**

As their 50th anniversary approaches, the legendary **Nighthawks** bring IMT an intimate night of acoustic blues. Saint Mark Presbyterian Church | 10701 Old Georgetown Rd, Rockville, MD, 20852, Tickets: \$15 adv, \$20 door / Children & Students w ID: \$12 adv, 17 door **Info:** Institute of Musical Traditions, 301-960-3655, imtfolk.org

CLASS OF 88 • ROCKVILLE, MD**MONDAY, JANUARY 20 • 7:30 PM**

Three keyboardists make up 2020's "Class of 88" including organizer, Grammy award-winner **Jon Carroll!** Prepare for a night of unexpected collaboration! Saint Mark Presbyterian Church | 10701 Old Georgetown Rd, Rockville, MD, 20852, Tickets: \$20 adv, \$25 door / Children & Students w ID: \$15 adv, \$20 door **Info:** Institute of Musical Traditions, 301-960-3655, imtfolk.org

Tuesday**EILEEN ESTES WITH LILT & AGI KOVACS
SILVER SPRING, MD****TUESDAY, JANUARY 7 • 7 PM**

Irish-American musician and singer **Eileen Estes** with a very special guest guitarist performs for house concert with additional performances by **Lilt** and dancer **Agri Kovacs**. She works as a vocal instructor and performer and is a former instructor at Blue Ridge Irish Music School. Daughter of Nita (Conley) Korn, original lead singer, Eileen grew up immersed in the traditional music of Ireland and Scotland. She is a traditional singer as well as a songwriter who has performed throughout D.C., MD and VA. Large dance room so bring your dancing shoes! Suggested donation \$20. **Info:** For directions, email Phyllis at phllsdrck@gmail.com

HOUSE OF HAMILL/CELTIC FOLK ROCK • HERNDON VA**TUESDAY, JANUARY 21 • 7:15 PM**

Brian Buchanan and **Rose Baldino** of *House of Hamill* are both accomplished traditional fiddle players and classical violinists, and have over 25 years of writing and performance experience between them. Together, they write unusual new fiddle tunes and

exciting, unpredictable original songs while also breathing new life into traditional and contemporary songs. Both are unique lead vocalists, and the blend of their two voices in harmony is hypnotic and irresistible. <https://www.houseofhamill.com/> **Doors** open at 6 pm \$10 Members, \$11 Non-members. Tickets: at the door or contact Dave at DAHurdSr@cs.com. Amphora's Diner Deluxe, 1151 Elden St, Herndon 20170 **Info:** 703-435-2402

Wednesday

HOUSE CONCERT WITH *MOUNTAIN TAY* ROCKVILLE, MD

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15 • 7 PM



Mountain Tay is a singing duo with a love of two-part harmony and entertaining stories cleverly told in song lyrics. House of Musical Traditions, 7010 Westmoreland Ave, Takoma Park, MD, Tickets \$12 adv / \$15 door **Info:** House of Musical Traditions, 301-270-9090, musicaltraditions.com

Thursday

CARPE DIEM! JUMP START WITH THE ARTS, FAMILY FUN NIGHT OUT AT EL GOLFO • SILVER SPRING, MD THURSDAY, JANUARY 2 • 5:45 & 6:45 PM (TWO 25-MINUTE SHOWS)

Featuring **Lea!** thisislea.com/ With the Carpe Diem Youth Uke-Beats performance ensemble opening. Location: El Golfo, 8739 Flower Ave., 20901. Presented by Carpe Diem Arts, with sponsors Finn Family Group, Washington Revels, El Golfo, and Takoma Radio. Each ticket good for one FREE margarita or ice cream! Tickets: children free; \$5 adults; percent of restaurant proceeds benefit early learning programs. **Info:** www.carpediemarts.org/family-fun-night/ / 301-466-0183

Friday

DIRT ROAD SWEETHEART HOUSE CONCERT TAKOMA PARK, MD

FRIDAY, JANUARY 10 • DOORS OPEN 7:30 PM MUSIC AT 8.

With acoustic guitar and banjo for accompaniment, it is the close-family-harmonies, often so close it sounds as though they are singing with one voice, that make this father-daughter duo shine. **Nora Jane** and **Alan Struthers**. Suggested donation \$20. Resident cat. Reservations at <https://form.jotform.com/93335551369160>. **Info:** Stephanie Kaufman at kaufmansi@gmail.com or 202-316-8776. YouTube Link: <https://youtu.be/zk4Trxj4Ozw>



Concerts continued

VICTORIA VOX • TAKOMA DC

FRIDAY, JANUARY 10 • 7:30-9:30 PM DOORS OPEN 7 PM

When Victoria sings, emotions and inspiration pour out of her melodic songs, and it becomes undeniable that she is genuine and full of heart. And she plays the uke! Carroll Café at Seekers Church 276 Carroll St NW, 20012 \$18/adv. \$20/door **Info:** Sandra 240-350-1769 carrollcafe.org

ORFEIA VOCAL ENSEMBLE • TAKOMA PARK, MD

FRIDAY, JANUARY 24 • 8 PM

Takoma Park Arts presents *Orfeia Vocal Ensemble* in a program of traditional music from the Bulgaria and the Balkans. *Orfeia* is directed by **Tatiana Sarbinska**, award-winning singer, composer and former principal soloist with the world-renowned Pirin Ensemble. Relax and listen to these uniquely beautiful and diverse sounds, learn a song or two – and maybe do a little dancing in the aisles if you are so inclined. Takoma Park Community Center Auditorium, 7500 Maple Ave., 20912. Free (donations welcome) (*Orfeia* is a non-profit tax-exempt organization). **Info:** orfeivocalensemble@gmail.com, Diane at 202-274-4155, orfeia.wordpress.com

Saturday

COUNTERCURRENT HOUSE CONCERT TAKOMA PARK, MD

SATURDAY, JANUARY 18 • DOORS OPEN 7:30 PM MUSIC 8.

Countercurrent is a contra dance and folk music band from Seattle, featuring driving guitar, lyrical fiddle, and harmony vocals. Poignant arrangements blending traditional and modern influences for a potent concert experience. **Brian Lindsay** and **Alex Sturbaum**. Suggested donation \$20. Resident cat. Reservations at form.jotform.com/93335551369160. **Info:** Stephanie Kaufman at kaufmansi@gmail.com or 202-316-8776. [youtube.com/watch?v=hqcPzEikkio](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hqcPzEikkio) and [youtube.com/watch?v=laHcP0FwCK0D0](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=laHcP0FwCK0D0)

LISA NULL is accepting a few new voice students: basic vocal techniques, coaching in traditional styles. Downtown Silver Spring. FREE mutual interview! enul@starpower.net or 301-587-2286

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dances

BLUES

BACK ROOM BLUES • GLEN ECHO, MD THURSDAYS • 8:15–11:30 PM

Popular weekly blues dance. Sprung wood floor. Beginner lesson from 8:15 to 9 pm. Different DJs and instructors play blues from 9 to 11:30 pm. In the "Back Room" at the Spanish Ballroom, Glen Echo Park. **Info:** Donna Barker, 301-634-2231, CapitalBlues.org.

CONTRA/SQUARE


Mondays

D.C. LAMBDA SQUARES • WASHINGTON DC MONDAYS, JANUARY 8, 15, 22 • 7:30 TO 9:30 PM

We will be teaching beginning western style square dancing. Come join us for a fun evening of music and dance. We dance at the Calvary Baptist Church, 755 8th St., NW, 20001 **Info:** spinningdek@gmail.com

Wednesdays

BFMS CONTRA DANCE • BALTIMORE, MD WEDNESDAYS • 8-10:30 PM


 Beginners are always welcome. New dancer workshops at 7:30. Nationally known musicians and callers appear regularly. BFMS and FSGW members \$9, non-members \$13. Lovely Lane Church, 2200 St. Paul St, 21218. **Info:** bfms.org.

January

- 1 No dance on New Year's Day.
- 8 **Kalia Klivan** calls to *Red Toad Road* - **Carl Friedman** (fiddle, flute), **Jim Besser** (concertina), and **Francine Krasowska** (piano).
- 15 **Abigail Hobart** calls to *Countercurrent* - **Brian Lindsay** (fiddle) and **Alex Sturbaum** (guitar).
- 22 TBA calls to **Alexander Mitchell** (fiddle, mandolin), **Henry Koretzky** (guitar, mandolin), **Todd Clewell** (guitar), and **Ralph Gordon** (bass).
- 29 **Andrea Nettleton** calls to **Elke Baker** (fiddle) and **Paul Oorts** (guitar, mandolin).

Fridays

FRIDAY NIGHT DANCERS • GLEN ECHO, MD FRIDAYS • 8:30-11:30 PM

 The Friday Night Dancers, a nonprofit, 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, usually in the historic Glen Echo Spanish Ballroom (SB) and occasionally in the Bumper Car Pavilion (BCP). At Glen Echo Park. \$10 per person; \$5 for 17 and under. (17 and under free on second Fridays.) **Info:** FridayNightDance.org or check the Friday Night Dance at Glen Echo Park Facebook page.


January

- 3 **Donna Hunt** calls to *Maelstrom* with **Peri Leighty** (fiddle), **Darrow Sherman** (fiddle), and **Abraham Joyner-Meyers** (fiddle, guitar)

- 10 **Anna Rain** calls to *The Glen Echo Open Band*
- 17 **Sargon deJesus** calls to *The Bouncers* with **Jim Harrington** (accordion), **T.J. Crow** (mandolin), **Richard Adams** (horns and bass), and **Bill Wellington** (guitar, banjo)
- 24 **Ann Fallon** calls to *JWalk* with **Jakob Raitzyk** (fiddle, mandolin, foot percussion), **Jared Kirkpatrick** (fiddle, piano, foot percussion, mandolin) and **Rebekah Geller** (fiddle)
- 31 **Gaye Fifer** calls to *Morrison, Knight, and Rose* with **Owen Morrison** (guitar), **David Knight** (fiddle), and **Carrie Rose** (flute)

Saturdays

BALTIMORE CONTRA DANCE • BALTIMORE, MD SATURDAY, JANUARY 11 • 8 PM (WORKSHOP 7:30)

 **Caroline Barnes** is calling to *Dance du Jour: Alexander Mitchell* (fiddle), **Liz Donaldson** (piano), and **Ralph Gordon** (bass) Welcome to a new year of dancing!! We have a workshop that begins at 7:30 and the dance begins at 8:00. The dance is held at the Church of the Nativity & Holy Comforter, 6112 York Rd, Baltimore, MD 21212 **Info:** bfms.org or email Don & Michele at satdance at bfms.org.

LANCASTER CONTRA DANCE • LANCASTER, PA SATURDAY, JANUARY 18 • 7-10 PM (NEW DANCERS WORKSHOP • 6:15 PM)

Ann Fallon calls to **Alexander Mitchell** (fiddle), **Henry Koretzky** (mandolin & bouzouki), and **Jill Smith** (piano). St. John's Episcopal Church, 321 W. Chestnut St. Lancaster, PA 17603. \$10 adults/\$6 students. Children 15 and under free. **Info:** Karen 717-951-4317 or www.lancastercontra.org.

FREDERICK CONTRA SATURDAY, JANUARY 25 • 8-11 PM

Kappy Laning will call to rockin' Irish tunes provided by *Rambling House* featuring **Joe DeZarn** (fiddle); **Patrick Cavanagh** (banjo and button accordion); **Tina Eck** (flute); **Marc Glickman** (piano). Trinity School, 6040 New Design Rd, 21703. \$10/\$5 students. **Info:** Boe Walker, 301-694-6794, contradancers.com

SQUARE/CONTRA DANCE • SHEPHERDSTOWN, WV SATURDAY, JANUARY 4 • 8 PM

Janine Smith calls contra and square dances to music by the *Fiddle Retreat Open Band*. The band is led by internationally known musicians who are instructors at the Fiddle Retreat (<http://upperpotomacmusic.info/fiddleretreat/>). The dance is held at the War Memorial Building, 102 E. German St., Shepherdstown, WV. All levels welcome, no partners needed. Please wear clean, soft-soled shoes to protect the floor. Pot-luck snacks at the break. Free introductory workshop at 7:30. \$12; SMAD Members \$8; \$5 under 12. **Info:** John Sauer at 301-542-3272 or smad.us



dances continued

ENGLISH COUNTRY DANCE

Mondays

BFMS ENGLISH DANCE • BALTIMORE, MD

MONDAYS • 8–10:30 PM (NEW DANCER'S WORKSHOP AT 7:45)



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. Church of the Nativity and Holy Comforter, 6112 York Rd, 21212. <http://www.bfms.org/directionsToChurchoftheNativity.php>. \$13 for non-members; \$9 BFMS, ATDS, FSGW, CDSS members; \$6 student non-members, \$4 student members. **Info:** Emily Aubrey, 410-433-4419, engdance@bfms.org

January

- 6 California's **Kalia Kliban** calls to **Emily Aubrey** (violin), **Robin Wilson** (flute and concertina), and **Jonathan Jensen** (piano etc)
- 13 **Emily Aubrey** calls to **Carl Friedman** (violin), **Steve Epstein** (winds), and **Ben Hobbs** (piano)
- 20 **Sharon McKinley** calls to **Cindy Swiss** (violin), **Marty Taylor** (winds and concertina), and **Janina O'Brien** (piano)
- 27 **Carl Friedman** calls to **Jeff Steinberg** (violin), **Mark Vidor** (accordion), and **Judy Meyers** (piano)

*Tuesdays*GALA NEW YEAR'S EVE ENGLISH COUNTRY DANCE
BALTIMORE, MD

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 31

6:30 PM RECEPTION, 7:30 PM POTLUCK, DANCE 8:30 PM

Come and dance your way into the New Year with a potluck and English Country Dancing. **Tom Spilsbury & Ann Fallon** will call; **Elegant Echoes** (**Colleen Reed, Becky Ross, and Liz Donaldson**) provides the music. **Info:** Sign-up online at <http://www.bfms.org/nyeGala.php> Church of the Nativity and Holy Comforter, 6112 York Rd. 21212

Thursdays

CHALLENGING ENGLISH • ADELPHI, MD

3RD THURSDAYS • 7:30-9:30 PM

A monthly ECD series at Ballroom Blum. January 16, **Melissa Running** calls to music by **Judy Meyers** (piano), **Jeff Steinberg** (violin), and **Karin Loya** (cello). Suggested donation \$8 per person/\$15 couple **Info:** 301-422-0292 or jerryandapril@aol.com. 8300 Osage Ter, Adelphi MD 20783.

Saturdays

ENGLISH COUNTRY DANCE • SILVER SPRING, MD

SATURDAY, JANUARY 11 • 8 - 10:45 PM

Bob Farrell calls to the music of **Peascods Gathering**. Includes festive lighting and decorations, and traditional flaming raisins snapdragons for good luck in the following year. Beginners and singles welcome. \$5. **Info:** Carl Minkus, 301-493-6281, cminkus@verizon.net or Bob Farrall, 301-577-5018. Glen Haven Elementary School, 10900 Inwood Ave, 20902. (Parking and entrance in rear).

THE LEESBURG ASSEMBLY • HERNDON, VA

SATURDAY, JANUARY 11 • 6:30–9:30 PM

Herndon Senior Center, 873 Grace St., Herndon, VA 20170. **Susan Taylor** calls to music by **Catherine Chapman** and **Judy Meyers**. All dances taught and called. Please consider bringing a refreshment to share. \$10; Students, \$5. **Info:** Laurel Bybell (Secretary) lbybell@gmail.com (703-791-5603) or theleesburgassembly.org

INTERNATIONAL

Mondays

BETHESDA INTERNATIONAL FOLK DANCE

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. At Jane Lawton Community Ctr, 4301 Willow Ln, 20815. \$7. **Info:** Phyllis or Brandon Diamond, 301-871-8788, DiamondDanceCircle.com.

Tuesdays

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. \$8/\$6 students. **Info:** Mike Fox, 240-424-0805 or markidmike.com.

Wednesdays

NEW YEAR'S DAY CEILI • COLLEGE PARK, MD

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 1, • 4 - 8 PM

GWCC will again dance in the New Year with a ceili on Wednesday, January 1, 4-8pm. Live music by **Ellis Island** (**Dave Abe, Myron Bretholz, Peter Fitzgerald, Martin McCann & Andy Thurston**). There will be raffle & door prizes along with a potluck meal (please bring a dish to share). Smooth-soled shoes recommended, single dancers welcome. Cherry Hill Park Ballroom, 9800 Cherry Hill Rd, 20740. \$20/Members, \$25/Non-members. Ages 11-20 half price. Ages 10 and under free. **Info:** 301-512-4480 or gwcc-online.org

Thursdays

ALEXANDRIA FOLK DANCERS • ALEXANDRIA, VA.

THURSDAYS • 7:30 - 9:30 PM

Friendly and diverse group of all ages welcomes beginners and advanced dancers. NO partner necessary. FABULOUS wooden floor; mix of Balkan, Line and novelty dances and the occasional English Country Dance. Mount Vernon Unitarian Church, 1909 Windmill Lane, 22307. **Info:** Eileen Shropshire, eileenshropshire@gmail.com phone 703-971-2341. Suggested donation: \$5.00

dances continued

Sundays

GWCC CEILI • COLLEGE PARK, MD

SUNDAY, JANUARY 26 • 3 PM

GWCC sponsors a lively ceili (Sept-May), usually on the 4th Sunday, with live music. There is a dance workshop at 3, this month the Morris Set will be taught by **Marilyn Moore**. Ceili 4-8, where the workshop dance and last month's workshop dance (the Old Mill Lancers Set) will be called. Music by **Laura Byrne & Friends**. Note our return to our regular venue, the Cherry Hill Park Ballroom, 9800 Cherry Hill Rd, College Park 20740, where we should be for the rest of the season. Please bring a dish to share at the potluck dinner during the first break (Smooth-soled shoes recommended, single dancers and listeners welcome.) \$15 Members, \$20 Non-members. Students half price. Ages 10 & under free. **Info:** 301-512-4480 or gwcc-online.org.

SCANDINAVIAN

NORWEGIAN POTLUCK & DANCE • WASHINGTON, DC

SATURDAY, JANUARY 11 • 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, watchers/listeners all welcome. Bring clean shoes to wear, food to share, and bucks you can spare. At Linda Brooks' this time; last minute calls 202-333-2826. **Info:** MAND.fanitull.org or Jenny, pi@xecu.net, 301-371-4312.

SCANDIA DC DANCE • GREENBELT, MD

SATURDAY, JANUARY 18 • 7 - 10 PM

Scandia DC sponsors Scandinavian couple dancing on the 3rd Saturday of the month. This month live fiddle music will feature **Paul Carlson** and the Scandia **DC Spelmanslag**. **Paul** is a talented fiddler who is passionate about Scandinavian fiddle music. He teaches and plays music professionally and plays regularly for the Nordic Dancers and at other venues including the Kennedy Center. There may be some recorded music. No partners necessary. Teaching 7-8 by **Linda Brooks** and **Pascal Peterson**: Gammalpolska from Föllinge - a lively, fun dance from the northern part of Sweden. Greenbelt Community Center Dance Studio (wood floor) at 15 Crescent Rd. 20770 \$10; **Info:** Linda Brooks 202-333-2826 or

Linda@ScandiaDC.org, or ScandiaDC.org. Inclement weather call 301-474-0646.

SCOTTISH

SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCE • GREENBELT MD

TUESDAYS • 8 - 10 PM

Dance all year round at Greenbelt Community Center at 15 Crescent Rd. 20770. **Info:** Richard Valentich 301-768-0287 or rvalentich180@gmail.com

SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCE • ALEXANDRIA, VA

WEDNESDAYS • 7:30 PM - 9:45 PM

Learn and Practice Scottish Country Dancing! General Class/Dances held year-round in Durant Center, 1605 Cameron St., 22314; Drop-in \$8; **Info:** Anne Dempsey; Email: info@rscds-greaterdc.org

WALTZ AND COUPLES DANCES

Sundays

AFTERNOON WALTZ • GLEN ECHO, MD

1ST AND 3RD SUNDAYS • 3:30-6 PM

Join us for an afternoon of waltzing, with an introductory lesson from 2:45-3:30. The band will play a lively mix of folk waltzes with other couples' dances, including hambo, swing, tango, and polka. No partner required. All welcome. Glen Echo Park, Spanish Ballroom, 20812. \$13/\$5 students with ID. Cash or check accepted. **Info:** WaltzTimeDances.org, 301-634-2222

January

- 5 **Waltz Weavers** with **Liz Donaldson** (piano), **Ralph Gordon** (bass), **Carrie Rose** (flute), **Alexander Mitchell** (fiddle)
- 19 **Waltzing Stars Trio** with **Alexander Mitchell** (fiddle), **Marty Taylor** (winds, concertina), and **Liz Donaldson** (piano)



Jams

Sundays

ACOUSTIC JAM • ANNAPOLIS, MD SUNDAYS • 9:30–11:45 AM

Back room at 49 West Coffeehouse, 49 West St, 21401, [Info: richardaelliott773@gmail.com](mailto:richardaelliott773@gmail.com).

BLUEGRASS JAM • HERNDON, VA 1ST AND 3RD SUNDAYS • 1–4 PM

At the Schoolhouse, Frying Pan Park, 2709 W Ox Rd, 20171. Info: 703-437-9101.

BLUEGRASS OPEN JAM • BRUNSWICK, MD 2ND AND 4TH SUNDAYS • 3–6 PM

Beginners welcome. Feel free to join the group and enjoy lively homegrown music the way it was meant to be. Great for listening, too. At Beans in the Belfry, 122 W Potomac St, 21716. Info: 301-834-7178.

BLUES JAM WITH THE DC BLUES SOCIETY SILVER SPRING, MD 1ST SUNDAYS • 4–8 PM

Musicians of all levels are welcome. Bring family, friends, and your dancin' shoes for a fun-filled afternoon and evening. Affordable cash bar, outside food permitted. At Cissel-Saxon American Legion Post 41, 905 Sligo Ave, 20910. Entrance on Fenton Street near public parking garage (free on Sundays). Free. [Info:](http://dcblues.org) dcblues.org or 202-413-3609.

CABOMA JAM • ARLINGTON, VA 2ND AND 4TH SUNDAYS • 2–6 PM

Capital Area Bluegrass and Old-Time Music Association holds bimonthly jams. Unitarian Universalist Church of Arlington, 4444 Arlington Blvd, 22204. Slow Jam, 2–3 pm; Regular Jam continues until 6 pm. Info: Don, 703-522-1696, caboma.org.

EARLY COUNTRY AND GOSPEL JAM • TAKOMA PARK, MD 2ND SUNDAYS • 2–5 PM

The Sunday jam welcomes all to come have fun singing and playing early country and gospel music on their acoustic instruments. For complex songs, chord charts highly encouraged. Takoma Park VFW, 6420 Orchard Ave, 20912. Info: swopes123@gmail.com.

DC BLUEGRASS UNION • WASHINGTON, DC 1ST AND 3RD SUNDAYS • 11–2 PM

The Mansion, 2020 O St NW, 20036 (Dupont Circle Metro). Info: Facebook at DCBU Dupont Circle Bluegrass Jam, Jason Orfanon, jorfanon@gmail.com, or Malcolm Versel, mversel@aol.com.

OLD-TIME JAM • RICHMOND, VA SUNDAYS • 2–5 PM

Bluegrass/old-time stringed instruments only. Cary Street Café, 2631 West Cary St, 23220. Info: 804-353-7445.

OLD-TIME OPEN JAM • BRUNSWICK, MD 1ST AND 3RD SUNDAYS • 3–6 PM

Old-time Appalachian music – bring your fiddle, banjo, guitar, etc. Open to all. Organized by Old Time Frederick. At Beans in the Belfry, 122 W Potomac St, 21716. [Info:](http://oldtimefrederick.org) oldtimefrederick.org.

Mondays

DC BLUEGRASS UNION JAM • TAKOMA PARK, MD 1ST AND 3RD MONDAYS • 7–10 PM

At 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, Barb@BarbDiederich.com.

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 dcbu.org.

Tuesdays

OLD-TIME JAM • BALTIMORE, MD ALTERNATE TUESDAYS • 7–10:30 PM

Ken and Brad Kolodner lead the Baltimore Old-Time Jam at The Five and Dime Ale House, 901 West 36th St, 21211. [Info:](http://KenandBrad.com) KenandBrad.com or Baltimore Old Time Jam Facebook page.

Wednesdays

BLUEGRASS MUSIC ALLIANCE JAM • MARTINSBURG, WV WEDNESDAYS • 6–9 PM

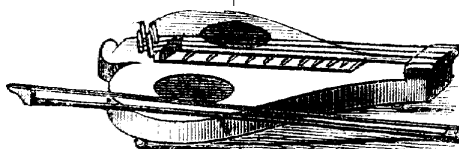
Musicians of all levels encouraged to come; bluegrass music fans are welcome to listen. At Martinsburg Moose Lodge, 201 Woodbury Ave, 25404. [Info:](http://bluegrassmusicalliance.org/local-area-jams/) bluegrassmusicalliance.org/local-area-jams/.

OLD-TIME JAM • TAKOMA PARK, MD 3RD WEDNESDAYS • 7:30–10:30 PM

Slow jam 7:30–8:30, followed by fast jam. All ages/skill levels welcome. Bring your guitars, fiddles, banjos, tubas, flutes, pennywhistles, flat feet, singing voices, and listening ears. Come early and grab dinner. At Takoma BevCo, 6917 Laurel Ave, 20912. Info: Join the Facebook group (Takoma Park Old Time Jam) to stay in touch.

CAJUN JAM • TAKOMA PARK, MD 4TH WEDNESDAYS • 7–9:30 PM

For dancers, musicians, and listeners who enjoy Cajun music. Beginners welcome. At 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). Free. Info: swopes123@aol.com.



Jams continued

Thursdays

OPEN BLUEGRASS JAM • BRUNSWICK, MD
1ST THURSDAYS • 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. At Beans in the Belfry. 122 W. Potomac St, 21716. **Info:** 301-834-7178.

Saturdays

ARCHIE EDWARDS BLUES HERITAGE • HYATTSVILLE, MD
SATURDAYS • 1-5 PM



Acoustic instruments, all levels; listeners also welcome. At Archie Edwards Blues Heritage Foundation (Archie's Barbershop), 4502 Hamilton Street, 20781. Free, but donations welcome. **Info:** 301-396-3054, acousticblues.com.

open mics

Mondays

TEAVOLVE CAFE • BALTIMORE, MD
MONDAYS • 7 PM

Open Mic Showcases hosted by Rob Hinkal. Teavolve Cafe & Lounge, 1401 Aliceanna St, 21231. **Info:** Rob Hinkal, 410-522-1907 or facebook.com/teavolvecafe/.

Wednesdays

JV'S OPEN MIC • FALLS CHURCH, VA
MOST WEDNESDAYS • 8 PM

6666 Arlington Blvd 22042 **Info:** 703-241-9504, jvsrest@aol.com, jvsrestaurant.com

Tuesdays

RESTON-HERNDON FOLK CLUB • HERNDON, VA
TUESDAYS • 7:15 PM (DOORS OPEN AT 6 PM)



Open mic. Amphora Diner Deluxe. 1151 Elden St, 20170. **Info:** 703-435-2402, RestonHerndonFolkClub.com.

Thursdays

ACOUSTIC OPEN MIC • HYATTSVILLE, MD
1ST THURSDAYS • 7:30-10 PM

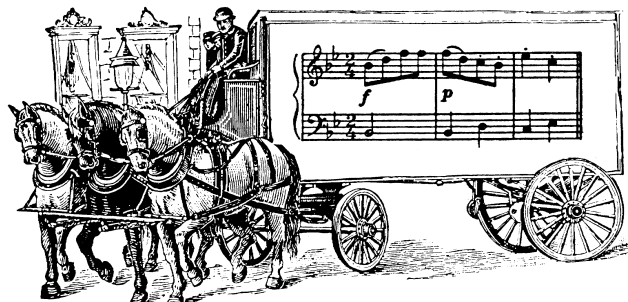
At Archie Edwards Blues Barbershop, 4502 Hamilton Street, 20781.. **Info:** acousticblues.com/events/events.html.

SONGWRITERS ASSOCIATION OF WASHINGTON
OPEN MIC • GREENBELT, MD
FIRST TUESDAYS • 7 PM

Hosted by **Lynn Hollyfield**. At 8 pm, a new featured artist performs, followed by more open mic 8:45-10 pm. Sign-ups at 6:30 pm. **Info:** Amethyst Dwyer, 301-474-5642.

NEW DEAL OPEN MIC • GREENBELT, MD
MOST TUESDAYS • 7 PM

Sign up at 6:30. 3 songs or 15 minutes. NewDealCafe.com. 113 Centerway, Roosevelt Center, 20770



Participatory Performing Groups

Sundays

MASON DIXON BORDER MORRIS • FREDERICK, MD
SOME SUNDAYS • 12-2 PM

Possibly the oldest and most fictitious morris team in North America. Gender irrelevant, steampunk a plus. Practices usually twice a month. Location rotates between Frederick, Ellicott City, Columbia, and Adelphi, somewhat randomly; weather- and space-dependent. **Info:** blgraham_99@yahoo.com or facebook.com/masondixonbordermorris.

BE A REVELS KID! • SILVER SPRING MD

MONDAY, WEDNESDAY OR FRIDAY (BY AGE) • 4:15 PM

WINTER AFTER-SCHOOL WORKSHOPS AT WASHINGTON REVELS

JANUARY-MARCH • GRADES PREK-5

The leaves may be off the trees, but the growing season is all year round in our Winter after-school workshops. **Revels Kids** learn traditional games, songs, stories, and dances that have bound together people from cultures around the world and throughout the centuries. These timeless activities instill in children the confidence to lead, the respect to listen, the importance of teamwork, and the empathy to care for others and the world around them. Washington Revels Studio Space, 531 Dale Drive, 20910. Registration & **Info:** 301-587-3835 or info@revelsdc.org; revelsdc.org/revels-kids/education/.

Mondays

INDONESIAN EMBASSY GAMELAN ENSEMBLE MONDAY AND THURSDAY EVENINGS

The Embassy of Indonesia offers a free program to learn and perform Javanese Gamelan music with an instructor from Indonesia, **Mr. Muryanto**. The Gamelan is an orchestra of gongs, gong-chimes, and xylophone-like instruments. Rehearsals are Monday and Thursday evenings. Come one or both days. No experience required. **Info:** Marc Hoffman, wildwoodflower@gmail.com, 202-271-2291.

ORFEIA VOCAL ENSEMBLE • BETHESDA, MD MONDAYS • 7–9 PM

Orfeia is an all-woman vocal ensemble, directed by singer, director and composer **Tatiana Sarbinska**, dedicated to preserving, performing, and teaching traditional music from Bulgaria and Eastern Europe. **Orfeia's** repertoire spans the rich and diverse musical heritage of the Balkans, including Bulgaria, Macedonia, Serbia, Russia, and Greece. We usually rehearse in Bethesda. No familiarity with Eastern European music required. **Info:** Diane, 202-274-4155, orfeiaensemble@gmail.com, orfeia.wordpress.com, facebook.com/orfeiamusic/.

Tuesdays

CAPITAL ACCORD CHORUS • SILVER SPRING MD TUESDAYS • 7:30-10 PM

SING with the **Capital Accord Chorus** – an all-women's *a cappella* group which sings in the barbershop style. If you love to sing, join us on the risers. We meet at Schweinhaut Senior Center, 1000 Forest Glen Road, 20901. **Info:** (www.capitalaccord.org), sample our singing (<https://www.capitalaccord.org/sample-our-singing>) or call us at 301-392-SONG (7664)

MOSAIC HARMONY - INTERFAITH GOSPEL CHOIR OAKTON, VA

ALTERNATE TUESDAYS 7:30 - 9:30 PM (E.G. DECEMBER 10)

We welcome new singers! **Mosaic Harmony** is a diverse, inclusive choir presenting music of world harmony in the gospel tradition. Open to all. David North, Director. Rehearsals: Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Fairfax (UUCF) 2709 Hunter Mill Road, 22124. See us on Facebook for video of our performances. **Info:** Lisa Wysocki 703-356-0910 or email wysockiL@aol.com.

Wednesdays

ROCK CREEK MORRIS WOMEN • SILVER SPRING, MD WEDNESDAYS • 7:30–9:30 PM

We welcome new dancers and musicians! Our practices are at Takoma Park Middle School, 7611 Piney Branch Road 20910. **Info:** rockcreekmorrismen@gmail.com or rockcreekmorrismen.weebly.com.

WASHINGTON BALALAIKA SOCIETY ORCHESTRA ARLINGTON, VA WEDNESDAYS • 7:30–9:30 PM•

We are seeking people who play (or want to learn) balalaika, domra, or bayan/accordion or who play some orchestral wind and percussion instruments to perform the music of Russia, Ukraine, and Eastern Europe. At Faith Lutheran Church, 3313 Arlington Blvd, 22201. **Info:** balalaika.org, 703-549-0760.

Participatory Performing Groups

Thursdays

CARPATHIA FOLK DANCERS • WASHINGTON, DC THURSDAYS • 6:30–9 PM

Carpathia is Washington's multiethnic Eastern and 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 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, age 14 and up). Costumes are provided by the ensemble. **Info:** carpathiadc@gmail.com, carpathiadc.org, facebook.com/carpathiadc.

FOGGY BOTTOM MORRIS MEN • TAKOMA, DC THURSDAYS • 8–10 PM

Join the **Foggy Bottom Morris Men**, DC's premier men's Morris team! Learn and perform dances from the English Cotswold and become a member of a vibrant, international community. No experience necessary. We practice at Knock on Wood Tap Studio, 6925 Willow Ave, Takoma Park. **Info:** Alan Peel, squire@fbmm.org, fb.com/foggybottom

MARYLAND YOUTH PIPE BAND • ROCKVILLE, MD THURSDAYS • 7-9 PM

Maryland Youth Pipe Band provides free lessons in piping and in tenor, bass, and snare drumming for students (typically ages 10-16). We perform in the greater DMV area and have a 58-year history of excellence. We practice at the Washington Rockville Elks Lodge 15, 5 Taft Ct, 10850. **Info:** Lisa Frazier, 301-946-0211, info@mypipeband.org

INDONESIAN EMBASSY GAMELAN ENSEMBLE MONDAY AND THURSDAY EVENINGS

See Monday's listing.

Fridays

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). Glen Echo Park. **Info:** FridayNightDance.org.

Saturdays

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.



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Sundays

REVELS PUB SING AT MCGINTY'S • SILVER SPRING, MD SUNDAY, JANUARY 26 • 7-9 PM

Dust off your vocal cords and get ready to join in on glass raising songs at **Washington Revels'** annual January Pub Sing! Food and drinks may be ordered beginning at 6 pm. Singing begins at 7 and formally ends at 9, with a brief intermission. All songs are sing-alongs, with song sheets and song leaders provided. Kids and teens welcome. 2nd-floor Bar, McGinty's Public House, 911 Ellsworth Dr., 20910. Tickets: [Online in advance, *no fees!*] Adults: \$20; Youth (ages 13-18): \$15; Kids (12 & under): \$10 [At the door, space permitting] Adults: \$23; Youth (ages 13-18): \$18; Kids (12 & under): \$13. **Info:** info@revelsdc.org or 301-587-3835; revelsdc.org/shows-events/.

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.

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, Katya@partan.com.

DC SHAPE NOTE SINGING • WASHINGTON, DC 3RD TUESDAYS • 7-9:30 PM

We sing from both *Sacred Harp* and *Shenandoah Harmony*. Loaner books 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:** Brenda Dunlap, 202-425-5264, dcshapenote.squarespace.com.

CARPE DIEM-REVELS COMMUNITY FAMILY SING TAKOMA DC TUESDAY, JANUARY 21 • 6:30-8 PM; (SOCIAL TIME 8-8:30 PM)

Location: Seekers Church, 276 Carroll St. NW DC (across from Takoma metro) Honoring Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. with songs of Peace, Liberty, and Justice. Feel free to bring instruments, songs, and refreshments to share. Presented by Carpe Diem Arts and Washington Revels with in-kind media support from Takoma Radio. **Info:** BusyGraham@carpediemarts.org / or jrasi@revelsdc.org
Info: www.carpediemarts.org/sing-with-us / www.revelsdc.org 301-466-0183 \$5-10 donation requested to help cover rent and guest song leader honoraria

SEA CHANTEY OPEN PUB SING • BALTIMORE MD 2ND WEDNESDAY • 8-10 PM

The Ship's Company chanteymen host open mic chantey sings at the Wharf Rat, 801 S. Anne Street, (Fells Point) 21231 (410) 276-9034 on the second Wednesday of each month. Participation encouraged but not mandatory. Requests honored if possible. **Info:** Myron Peterson, ructic@yahoo.com, ShipsCompany.org.

Thursdays

SEA CHANTEY OPEN PUB SING • CABIN JOHN, MD 1ST THURSDAYS • 8-10 PM

The chantey sing formerly held at Paddy Barry's moved to Lahinch Tavern on the first Thursday of each month. No cover or minimum; arrive early for a table. Participation encouraged but not mandatory. Requests honored if possible. Mostly a *cappella* but instruments welcome. Lahinch Tavern and Grill, 7747 Tuckerman Ln, 20854. **Info:** Myron Peterson, ructic@yahoo.com, ShipsCompany.org

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. **Info:** thelimerickpub.net.

Saturdays

SHAPE NOTE SINGING • BOYCE, VA 1ST SATURDAYS • 4-8 PM

All are welcome to sing from *Shenandoah Harmony* and *Sacred Harp*. Potluck dinner at 6 pm. Locations vary. **Info:** Kelly or John, jdelre@visuallink.com, 540-336-8112; Northern Shenandoah Valley Facebook page; or dcshapenote.squarespace.com/nsv/.

THE BEATLES SING ALONG • LEESBURG, VA 2ND SATURDAYS • 7-9:30 PM

Come sing and play along with the great music of *The Beatles*. **Lawrence Brand** leads the singing, which starts with singing an album. All levels of musicianship are welcome. Acoustic and electric guitars okay. Songbooks are provided. United Methodist Church, 107 W Market St, 20176 (Plenty of free parking). Free. **Info/RSVP:** Lawrence Brand, 301-639-7608, Lawrence@RLBrand.com, or meetup.com/
The-Beatles-Sing-Along



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BAL DC • DUPONT CIRCLE, WASHINGTON, DC SATURDAY-SUNDAY JANUARY 4-5, 2020

A weekend of French bal folk workshops, dancing, and jamming. Saturday and Sunday, 4-5 January 2020. The bal folk phenomenon sweeping dance camps and contra weekends across the East Coast comes to DC! **Bal DC** offers an entire weekend of dancing and music for dancers and musicians of all skill levels. Bal folk is a flourishing tradition in Western Europe, combining engaging partner and group dances with beautiful, playful, and driving music. We're lucky to have **Nova** and **Eloise & Co.** as our star performers—acclaimed contra bands whose passion for bal folk has been kept a secret for too long. Renowned dance instructor **Jeremy Carter-Gordon** will lead our headline dance workshops. In our music workshops, musicians can learn bal folk tunes and techniques from our talent. Invaluable local performers include our very own **Lynn Baumeister** covering irregular waltzes and **Leslie Barr** teaching fiddle tunes from central France. Friendly to dancers of all ages (yes, including kids!), the building is accessible, in Dupont Circle just two blocks from the Metro. Don't miss this amazing experience! Pay what you can: \$80-\$215 full weekend ticket, à la carte pricing for Saturday evening concert and dance. **Info:** bal-dc.org.

BFMS MID-WINTER BALL CONTRA DANCE BALTIMORE MD SATURDAY FEBRUARY 1 • 3 PM

The 2020 Mid Winter Ball will be a Mid Winter Night's Dream. Join us dressed for a fairy tale evening as we commemorate BFMS's sapphire anniversary, their 45th year! Our caller for the evening will be **Gaye Fifer**. Long renowned for smooth teaching and a great repertoire of dances, **Gaye** will lead us in a great evening of dances. The **Ripples Christopher Wood** (guitar), **Gabrielle Lanza** (cajon, shaker, vocals), **Kristen Planeaux** (piano, flute, vocals), **Andrew Taylor** (fiddle) will provide the music. Mixing contemporary and traditional music is their specialty, producing driving beats along with enchanting melodies.

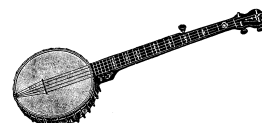
Schedule of the evening:

- 3 to 5 pm:** Gender-free challenging contra dance! Role terms will be Larks (dancer on the Left) and Robins (dancer on the right). Try out a gender-free dance by dancing both roles and dancing with everyone!
- 5 to 7 pm:** Dinner on your own
- 7 to 7:30 pm:** Potluck dessert reception—Bring desserts to share, show off your finery and costumes while gathering with friends old and new.
- 7:30 pm:** Grand March led by the Dancing Ranger, **Stan Fowler**
- 7:45 pm:** Mid Winter Ball 2020 - traditional role terms of Gents and Ladies will be used.

Registration at bfms.org/midwinter.php. The Ball will be at: Church of the Redeemer, 5603 N Charles St., 21210 Plenty of off-street parking!!! The Baltimore Folk Society is partially funded by a grant from the Maryland State Arts Council.

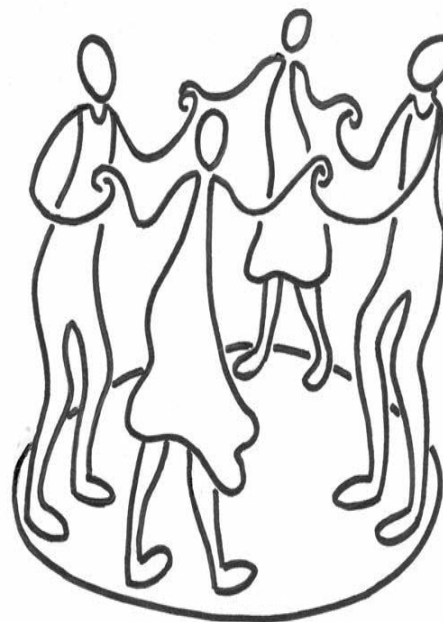
SKI-DANCE WEEKEND • LAUREL HIGHLANDS PA FEBRUARY 14-17, 2020

Cross-country ski in the Laurel Highlands of Pennsylvania during the day and contra dance at night! **Janine Smith** and **Bob Mathis** will have you moving to the music of **Dave Wiesler** and **Mat Clark**. Lots of fun and prices range from \$95 to \$300 depending on your accommodations. **Info:** www.skidance.com or call Bob Mathis at 301-589-7539.



AMERICAN BANJO FRATERNITY • NEWARK, NY THURSDAY-SATURDAY, MAY 28-30, 2020

Banjo players and listeners are invited to attend the spring American Banjo Fraternity event. If you are a music professional, an amateur musician, or interested in banjo and music history, you will find worthwhile music that will challenge your skills and expand your repertoire. Neither bluegrass nor clawhammer, most of the music dates from 1880 - 1920, and is played on 5-string banjos of various sizes, using nylon strings, with bare fingers (no picks). (Check You Tube under the title "Classic Banjo.") Newark Garden Hotel, 125 N. Main St., Newark, NY, 14513. 315-331-9500. The event is free, except for food and lodging. **Info:** about ABF, contact Joel Hooks at joelhooks@me.com. **Info:** and updates about the event, www.banjofraternity.org.



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- 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 (no parentheses in phone numbers) email/website.

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FSGW BOARD MEETING

TUESDAY, JANUARY 7 • 8 PM

Monthly FSGW Board meetings are held in Classroom 201 of the Arcade Bldg. at Glen Echo Park, MD. Meetings are open to all FSGW members. If you wish the Board to consider a particular matter, please contact the appropriate Board member, or **Charlie Pilzer** at president@fsgw.org, at least two days in advance of the scheduled meeting.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>9 am Ball-DC Ball</p> <p>9 Annapolis Jam</p> <p>3:30 Glen Echo Waltz</p> <p>7:30 FSGW SUNDAY NIGHT DANCE</p> <p>KALIA KILBAN w/ KATHLEEN FROWNES, EVEREST WITMAN & JESSE BALL</p>	<p>7 Teasolve Open Mic</p> <p>7 DC Bluegrass Union Jam</p> <p>7:30 Bethesda Int'l Dance</p> <p>8 Balt. English Country Dance</p> <p>8 Bethesda Scottish Country Dance</p> <p>8 Balkan Sing</p>	<p>11 AM CIRCLE OF LIFE SONGS</p> <p>6:30 FSGW Co-SPONSOR GRAPEVINE WORKSHOP</p> <p>7 Israeli Dance</p> <p>7 Songwriters Open Mic</p> <p>7:30 Scandinavian</p> <p>7:30 Capital Accord Chorus</p> <p>8 Greenbelt Scottish Country Dance</p> <p>8 Gypsy Sally's Open Mic</p> <p>8 FSGW BOARD MEETING</p>	<p>4 GWCC Ceilidh</p> <p>8 FSGW ENGLISH COUNTRY DANCE</p> <p><i>New Year's Day!</i></p> 	<p>7:30 Alexandria Folk Dance</p> <p>7:30 Riverdale Open Mic</p> <p>7:30 Irish</p> <p>8 Glen Echo Chantey Sing</p> <p>8 Foggy Bottom Morris</p> <p>8 Back Room Blues Dance</p>	<p>8:15 GREENBELT INT'L FOLK DANCE</p> <p>8:30 Friday Night Contra Dance</p> <p>8:30 FSGW Open Sing</p>	<p>9 am Ball-DC Ball</p> <p>10 Batala Percussion</p> <p>1 Archie Edwards Blues Jam</p> <p>2:30 DC Spellmanslag</p> <p>3 FSGW STORYSWAP</p> <p>6 Norwegian Dance</p> <p>8 Shepherdstown Contra</p> <p>8 Glen Echo Swing Dance</p>
<p>9 am Annapolis Jam</p> <p>2 CABOMA Jam</p> <p>3 FSGW FAMILY DANCE</p> <p>4 FSGW GOSPEL SING</p> <p>7:30 FSGW SUNDAY NIGHT DANCE</p> <p>SCOTT HIGGS w/ CARRIE ROSE, OWEN MORRISON AND DAVID KNIGHT</p>	<p>7:30 Bethesda Int'l Dance</p> <p>8 Gospel Jam Hemdon</p> <p>8 Balt. English Country Dance</p> <p>8 Bethesda Scottish Country Dance</p> <p>8 Balkan Sing</p>	<p>7 Israeli Dance</p> <p>7 DC Shape Note Sing</p> <p>7:30 Capital Accord Chorus</p> <p>7:30 Scandinavian</p> <p>8 Greenbelt-Scottish Country Dance</p> <p>8 Gypsy Sally's Open Mic</p>	<p>7:30 GLEN ECHO INT'L FOLK DANCE</p> <p>7:30 Nordic Dance</p> <p>7:30 Alexandria Scottish Country Dance</p> <p>7:30 Capital Morris</p> <p>7:30 Balalaika Society</p> <p>8 FSGW ENGLISH STORYTELLING</p> <p>8 COUNTRY DANCE</p> <p>8 Baltimore Contra Dance</p> <p>8 JV Open Mic</p> <p><i>Newsletter Deadline!</i></p>	<p>10:30 am Revels Storytelling</p> <p>7:30 Challenging English Country Dances</p> <p>7:30 Alexandria Folk Dance</p> <p>8 Foggy Bottom Morris Men</p> <p>8:15 Back Room Blues Dance</p>	<p>8:15 GREENBELT INT'L FOLK DANCE</p> <p>8:30 Friday Night Contra Dance</p>	<p>1 Archie Edwards Blues Jam</p> <p>2:30 DC Spellmanslag</p> <p>6:30 FSGW DOO WOP SING</p> <p>7 Annapolis Contra Dance</p> <p>7 Scandnavian DC Dance</p> <p>8 Greenbelt Israeli Dance</p> <p>8 Glen Echo Swing Dance</p> <p>8 Lancaster Contra Dance</p>
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