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Covid-19

The FSGW Board is following the emergency declarations at the National and Local levels, and for this period the only events available are online-only. In-person events will resume once the emergency declarations are resolved.

In the meantime FSGW will continue to bring you information about online folk events in our area and hope you will support our many folk traditions.

One Way the FSGW is Supporting the folk Arts During this Time – A Happy Story

The FSGW is pleased to announce its tangible support for performers during this difficult time. We recognize the hard-ship right now on performers, who are "gig workers" depending on events for their livelihood.

For this reason, the Board of Directors has been searching ways that we can support our performers in this difficult time. We are pleased to announce FSGW is offering payment to all scheduled performers (bands, callers, concerts and others) whose events were canceled during March, April, and May due to the crisis. Even though the FSGW also faces great uncertainty, we feel that the most tangible way we can support the Folk Arts at this time is by supporting our wonderful performers. https://www.fsgw.org/support-FSGW.

We regret the requirement to cancel all of our in-person events; our hope is that, at least in this one way, we can help the Folk Community survive and even prosper through both our financial and spiritual support for our canceled performers.

SINGS

FSGW OPEN SING • ONLINE FRIDAY, MAY 1 • 7:30 P.M.

Vince Wilding (C'est Moi!) will be hosting the May Open Sing via ZOOM on Friday May 1st from 7:30 to 10:30 pm. The Topic will be appropriate for May: Flours! Wheat, Whole Wheat, or gluten free! Songs about Baking, Bread, Pies, Cakes, Cookies, Scones, Hard Tack... what have you.

Info: Email me at Vince@VinceWilding.com for the Zoom Login Info and some helpful hints on setting yourself up for a Virtual Open Sing. FSGW-Cosponsored:

SCHWEINHAUT SONG CIRCLE • ONLINE THIRD WEDNESDAY, MAY 20 • 1 TO 3 PM

We won't let the pandemic keep us from getting together virtually to enjoy each other's company and to sing some springtime songs! This song circle provides a daytime opportunity to enjoy great songs, old or new, humorous or serious, timeless or topical. The Song Circle, cosponsored by FSGW and Carpe Diem Arts, is about the joy of group singing, not about talent. Everyone is welcome, regardless of age or experience. Come when you can and leave when you must, but do come to sing or just to listen! Free!

While the Margaret Schweinhaut Senior Center is closed, we'll use the Zoom software platform to meet virtually. You can join us using any Internet-connected device—computer, tablet, or smartphone—or you can join by dialing a phone number. Email **Fred Stollnitz** at

fstollnitz@comcast.net for Zoom log-in information and instructions for setting yourself up for a virtual Song Circle. Wendy Lanxner will be a song leader and guitar accompanist; other leaders and accompanists welcome. If you would like to be a song leader and/or an accompanist, email Fred. **Info**: Fred Stollnitz, fstollnitz@comcast.net.

FSGW Co-sponsored:

THE GRAPEVINE • ONLINE WEDNESDAY, MAY 13 • 7:30-9 PM

ONLINE PERFORMANCE! Join us on May 13 for the Grapevine via Zoom. The Grapevine is spoken word performance for adults and teens, celebrating the timeless art of the story, hosted by storytellers **Noa Baum, Renée Brachfeld**, and **Tim Livengood**. Please register FOR FREE via Eventbrite at: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/the-grapevine-may-show-live-on-zoom-tickets-102172428484. You will get an email on the day of performance with the necessary Zoom information. You can get a free Zoom app for your device at https://zoom.us/pricing.

We ask for donations to support our tellers, suggested \$15 per person. A Paypal link for this event will be made available through the mailing for the event. Follow the evolving details on our Facebook event at https://www.facebook.com/events/866228807084873/

Our featured tellers this month are Minnesotan storyteller and playwright **Kevin Kling**, known for his contributions to NPR's "All Things Considered," and locally-based **Noa Baum**, whose tales are informed by her Jewish lore and political awakening.

Info:https://www.facebook.com/GrapevineStorytelling/

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WASHINGTON REVELS & CARPE DIEM ARTS DAILY ANTIDOTES OF SONG • ONLINE/VIRTUAL DAILY • 10 AM (ONGOING)

Every morning, Washington Revels and Carpe Diem Arts will share some "notes of hope" as one of our fabulous song leaders offers a song online. Be there as we begin each day with the inspiration and connection of singing together! Visit our website for instructions on how to join online. Free, donations encouraged. <u>Info</u>: info@revelsdc.org; http://revelsdc.org/2020/daily-song/.



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. E.g., Classes [Month], Concert [Month], Dance [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 (no parentheses in phone numbers) 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**

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:

"The main purpose of the Society is to further the understanding, investigation, appreciation, and performance of the traditional folk music and folklore of the American people."

- · All copy must be submitted by e-mail to newsletter@fsgw.org in text format in the body of the e-mail by the 8th of the preceding month.
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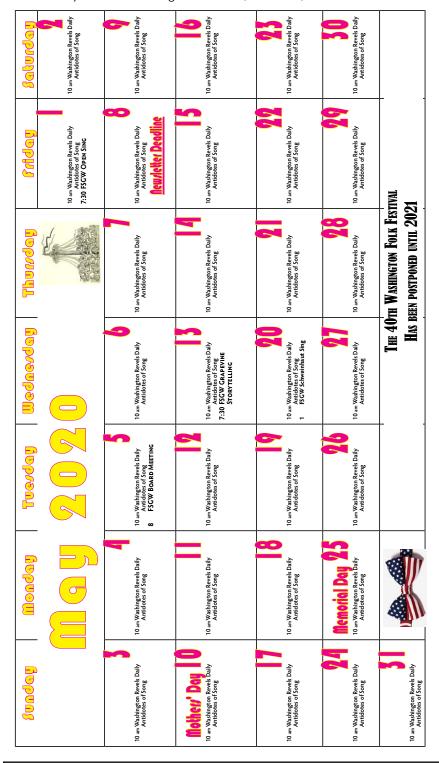
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FSGW BOARD MEETING

Tuesday, May 5 · 8 PM

Monthly FSGW Board meetings are all electronic via Zoom. Meetings are open to all FSGW members, contact president@fsgw.org or webmaster@fsgw.org for a link to the meeting. If you wish to have the Board 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.



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Get online and find your groove. There are all sorts of concerts, storytelling,

all online!

and even some dances,

Instagram:

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FSGW needs your support. We are an all volunteer society. The 200+ events we sponsor each year rely on membership fees but it's not enough to cover expenses. Please help us by donating this month.

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**.





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