

The Vox Hunters and Sally Rogers & Howie Bursen • Online Sunday, November 8 Session opens at 7 pm; concert 7:30 pm

In light of the coronavirus pandemic, we're launching the new season of FSGW Concerts with a series of gatherings on Sunday evenings on the weeks when we're not presenting dance music. All FSGW concerts this coming year will be Zoomed events, and we hope to present interesting combinations of music each time we gather. For security reasons (everyone hates being Zoom-bombed!) we'll ask you to register in advance at the FSGW website to receive the links to the Zoom meeting. Registration is free, although we suggest a donation of \$20 each if you listen in and enjoy what you hear—or more if you can afford it and are feeling generous. Proceeds will be split among the performers, so the more you give, the more the performers are paid!

The Zoom room will open at 7 pm for gathering and socializing. Performers will begin at 7:30 pm, and after 30 or 45 minutes (depending on the number of performers), we'll break for just a few minutes to let everyone interact with the evening's performers and ask questions. After a few announcements (and a gentle reminder to donate if you haven't yet), we'll return to the music. Afterwards, we'll stay open until 10:00 pm, with breakout rooms for socializing, schmoozing, and even singing together if you wish, and we'll invite the performers to stick around and play with us. (All times are Eastern time zone; but you can watch from anywhere in the world.)



Join us via Zoom for FSGW's opening concert of the pandemic year. We'll have an opportunity to listen to great performers, interact with them, and visit with each other.

The Vox Hunters (Benedict Gagliardi and Armand Aromin) hail from the great state of Rhode Island. They are seekers and singers of old songs, cultivators of local music, and chronic multi-instrumentalists. They are touted as strong tradition-bearers in their generation, and their genuine affinity for the music is evident in the emotion they draw from it. With a pair of oft-harmonizing voices tastefully garnished with fiddle, free-reeds, and tenor guitar, **The Vox Hunters** offer an all-natural connection to the living tradition of folk music.

Sally Rogers and Howie Bursen live not too far across the state line in Connecticut. They have been a performing duo since they met in 1981 in a Greenwich Village coffeehouse. They play both traditional American and original songs and tunes. **Sally** is widely known for her songwriting and her crystal clear voice. She accompanies herself with guitar, banjo and mountain dulcimer. **Howie** is recognized as one of the top melodic clawhammer banjo players in the nation, although recently, he's become an amazing piano player. Together, these two sing in comforting harmonies with just the right amount of instrumental spice.



Registration free; Suggested donation: \$20 per person. **Info:** Charlie Baum, cbaum@fsgw.org.

SINGS

FSGW OPEN SING • ONLINE
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 6 • 7:30 P.M.

Michele and Dennis Callaghan are delighted to host the online sing in November. The last time they hosted was March 7 and the usual potluck took place. They hope they can do so again in the coming weeks and months. In the meantime, the topic is *What's My Number?* Choose songs with at least one number in them or other ways you can think of to fit the theme. In the interest of time, those doing counting songs (such as "Children Go Where I Send Thee") are asked to stop after five or six. Looking forward to seeing you soon! Registration deadline is 12 Noon EST on November 6th. Zoom link will be sent the afternoon of November 6th. This gives us much needed time for setup. **Info:** vince@vincewilding.com Registration form is at: <https://forms.gle/FEdqFCRNKDM3f8ms4>

FSGW-COSPONSORED:

SCHWEINHAUT SONG CIRCLE • ONLINE
THIRD WEDNESDAYS, NOVEMBER 18 • 1-3 PM

This monthly song circle, co-sponsored by FSGW and Carpe Diem Arts, is about the joy of group singing, not about talent. Everyone is welcome, regardless of age or experience. Join us to enjoy great songs, old or new, humorous or serious, timeless or topical. Free! The Zoom link will be sent Wednesday morning to those who have attended the Schweinhaut Song Circle using Zoom and to others who register at <https://forms.gle/jr4sR9tmu6VRMBdN8> by Tuesday, November 17. We'll go around the virtual room giving everyone a chance to sing (or just pass). Until 2 p.m., **Wendy Lanxner** will lead songs with guitar accompaniment. Wendy is happy to accompany any song that she knows or can find chords for. It's helpful if you send your requests in advance using the form in the registration link above. Bring your favorite song of thanks or song about the pandemic! After 2 p.m., you may lead any song(s) you wish, but it's helpful if you let us know in advance, using the form in the registration link above, if you would like to lead one or more songs and/or to be an instrumental accompanist. **Info:** see fsgw.org/event-4014758



STORYTELLING

FSGW CO-SPONSORED:

THE GRAPEVINE • ONLINE
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 11 • 7:30-9:00 PM

Join us via Zoom for our featured tellers this month **Jennifer Munro** and **Loren Niemi**! 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 at <https://fsgw.org/grapevine> to get the necessary Zoom information.

Jennifer Munro fell in love with the spoken word as a child. A cast of rogues and raconteurs at the family table inspired Jennifer's repertoire of poignant, funny, moving narratives that resonate with the frailty and courage of the human spirit. What really sets Jennifer's stories apart is the precision of language and vivid images. More about Jennifer at <https://jennifermunro.net>

Loren Niemi began as a "child fibber" but soon realized he was less interested in telling lies than in improving the truth... He is an innovative storyteller and the author of "What Haunts Us" the 2020 winner of the Midwest Book Award for "Sci-Fi / Horror / Fantasy / Paranormal" fiction. More about Loren at <https://www.lorenniemistories.com>

Please LIKE and FOLLOW us on Facebook, and leave a comment how you feel about the show. It helps us spread the word about storytelling!

FSGW DANCES

FSGW ENGLISH COUNTRY DANCE • ONLINE
WEDNESDAYS • 8-10 PM

Wednesday night FSGW English Country Dances are now on Zoom! The dances will be called to recorded music, with the program adapted to one or two dancers. Zoom details and other particulars for the dances will be sent via email. Contact ecd@fsgw.org (and include your first and last name) if you would like to receive the e-blasts about these online dances. These online dances are free, but if you would like to help support the caller's effort, please see the website for details. **Info:** fsgw.org/english-country-dance

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Missing the calendar?

Due to space limitations for the print version of the Newsletter, the calendar is on-line ONLY this month — fsgw.org/newsletter

FSGW BOARD MEETING • TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 10 • 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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GLEN ECHO INTERNATIONAL FOLK DANCERS**ONLINE****THURSDAYS • 7:30 (EXCEPT THANKSGIVING!)**

Topic: Glen Echo Folkdancers Thursday night zoom. We have gone from the Ballroom Annex to Online. Come join us for a fun evening of International Folk dances and good times with friends old and new! Join our Zoom Meeting <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87152651884?pwd=QWVvYVEc1cm9uWTNqTkwrYTdPWIRdz09> Meeting ID: 871 5265 1884 Password: 145 **Info:** dancingplanet@erols.com

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GREENBELT INTERNATIONAL FOLK DANCE • ONLINE**FRIDAYS • 7:30 PM**

Friday night Greenbelt International Folk Dancing has gone "virtual". As we all practice good social distancing, many in our folk dance community are feeling the absence of our usually scheduled local dances. In response, please join us for the Greenbelt Virtual Folk Dance Session. Let's keep dancing!

- Connect and dance in our own homes
- Watch hosts leading familiar dances
- See each other; listen and dance to our favorites

How: We will be using the ZOOM video conferencing app to share music and live videos of the leaders and each other. This can be used on a desktop, laptop, or smartphone.

What to Expect: Your hosts are **Linda Mansdorf, Vita Hollander, Ben Hole,** and **John Robinson.** They will play 25-30 dances, which should approximate the number of dances normally done on a Friday night in-person event. The hosts will do a quick teaching or demonstration of the steps to some of the dances that may be less familiar to you or just as a refresher, but the session is not designed as a workshop, so the majority of the evening will be spent playing dances that many of us already know and love to do.

How To Join Us: Each week we will send an email with the Zoom Meeting link ID. Make sure John Robinson knows you would like to receive the email with the link. John's email for **Info:** j_robinson@verizon.net. <https://www.facebook.com/GreenbeltInternationalFolkDancing/>

CONCERTS**WASHINGTON REVELS & CARPE DIEM ARTS****DAILY ANTIDOTES OF SONG • ONLINE****DAILY • 12 NOON EDT**

Each day at noon, Washington Revels and Carpe Diem Arts offer "notes of hope" as a song leader from our roster of local, national and international guest artists shares a song online. Watch our website for announcements about specially-themed weeks. Great for all ages! Attend via the virtual concert room or sing along on Facebook Live; see our website for participation instructions. Free; donations to the "Antidote Fund" are encouraged and support the artists. **Info:** Jo_Rasi@revelsdc.org; revelsdc.org/2020/daily-song/.

SEASON OF REVELING • ONLINE**THROUGHOUT THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER****REVELSDC.ORG/SEASON FOR DETAILS**

The magic of **Washington Revels** has moved online and, like a band of jolly wassailers, we hope you'll invite us in to share our Fall theme, **Hearth & Home**, from the comfort of your own home! Our "Season of Reveling" celebrates the closeness of family, the comfort of friends, and the many holidays that mark our journey from Autumn to Winter. In November, Revels community members will share how they prepare for the Mexican holiday *Día de los Muertos* (Day of the Dead), for the Hindu festival of lights, *Diwali*, for

Thanksgiving meals in African American communities, and for other special days throughout the month! Be sure to mark your calendar for our Winter Solstice Revels on December 20. Free and ticketed virtual events. **Info:** info@revelsdc.org; revelsdc.org/season/

LUKE CHOYAN • ONLINE**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8 • 3-4:30 PM**

Luke will teach and talk about his passion, 5 things I wish someone would had told me about music from the School of Musical Traditions. **Info:** 240-690-1910, lessons@schoolofmusicaltraditions.com www.schoolofmusicaltraditions.com

VENT DU NORD • ONLINE AT WWW.IMTFOLK.ORG**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 12 • 8 PM**

Le Vent du Nord, Quebec's preeminent trad music quintet and veritable tour de force, will perform a LIVE STREAM concert from their home town of Joliette, QC. Webcast Live from www.imtfolk.org | \$10 | **Info:** Rob Hinkal at publicity@imtfolk.org or www.imtfolk.org

JOE CROOKSTON • ONLINE**WWW.FOCUSMUSIC.ORG****SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 14 • 7:30 PM**

Songwriter, guitarist, painter, fiddler, slide player, eco-village member and believer in all things possible. Named 2016 Folk Alliance International Artist-in-Resident, he's played with Suzanne Vega, Dar Williams, David Francey, John McCutcheon, John Gorka, Judy Collins and 100's more. Presented on Facebook and YouTube at www.focusmusic.org for free. Tips and merchandise purchases encouraged. **Info:** Rob Hinkal at rob@focusmusic.org or www.focusmusic.org

SETH KIBEL • ONLINE**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22 • 1-2:30 PM**

Seth will be teaching Introduction to Klezmer This fun class for all instruments and levels will get you started with the mesmerizing tones and structure of Klezmer music from the School of Musical Traditions. **Info:** 240-690-1910 lessons@schoolofmusicaltraditions.com www.schoolofmusicaltraditions.com

DANCES**FRIDAY NIGHT CONTRA • ONLINE****NOVEMBER 6 & 20 • 8:30 PM**

Friday Night Contra Dancers have gone Virtual! Join us on Zoom for Contras that have been modified to work for quarantined dancers! The Zoom room opens at 8:00 for social time, and stays open after the dances for more social time. Visit the FND Facebook page for all the info, date, and callers <https://www.facebook.com/groups/fridaynightdancers/>




SCANDINAVIAN VIRTUAL DANCE/MUSIC EVENT**ONLINE****SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21 • 8 - 9:30 PM**

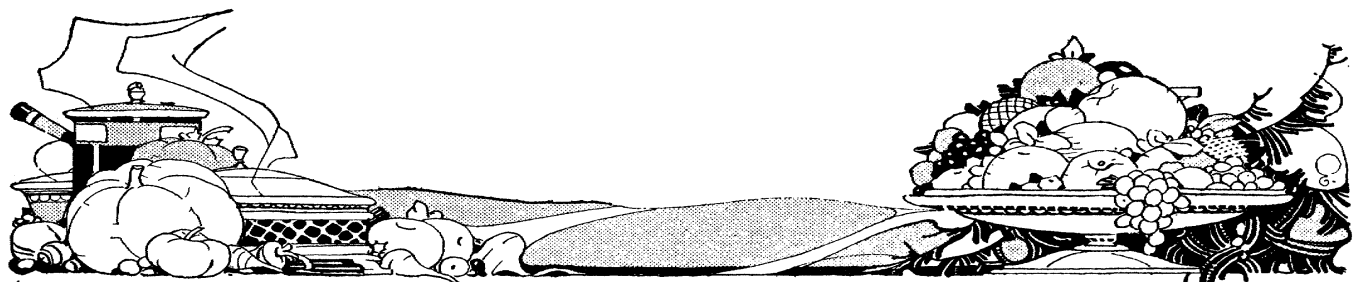
Scandia DC will be holding it's 6th virtual dance/music event on Zoom in November. The evening will feature 1/2 hour of dance teaching to recorded music followed by several live music sets for dancing. The first set will allow musicians to play along (on mute) with the lead musician. Tunes in that set will be available on the website in advance of the evening. Email Linda@ScandiaDC.org to get on the list to receive an invitation if you are not already on the list. Information is available at ScandiaDC.org and in the invitation email closer to the event.



November 2020



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 12 pm Revels Daily Antidote of Song – Every day!	2	3 ELECTION DAY! 	4 8 FSGW ENGLISH COUNTRY DANCE WITH KAPPY LANING	5 7:30 GLEN ECHO INT'L DANCE	6 7:30 FSGW OPEN SING 8:30 GREENBELT INT'L FOLK DANCE 8:30 Friday Night Contra Dance	7 6:30 MAND Potluck/Dance
8 7 FSGW CONCERT THE VOX HUNTERS, SALLY ROGERS, & HOWIE BURSEN NEWSLETTER DEADLINE!!	9	10 8 FSGW BOARD MEETING	11 <i>Veterans Day</i>  7:30 FSGW GRAPEVINE STORYTELLING: JENNIFER MUNRO & LOREN NIEMI 8 FSGW ENGLISH COUNTRY DANCE WITH APRIL BLUM	12 7:30 GLEN ECHO INT'L DANCE 8 Vent du Nord Concert	13 8:30 GREENBELT INT'L FOLK DANCE	14 7:30 Joe Crookston Concert
15	16	17	18 1 FSGW SCHWEINHAUT SING 8 FSGW ENGLISH COUNTRY DANCE WITH MELISSA RUNNING	19 7:30 GLEN ECHO INT'L DANCE	20 8:30 GREENBELT INT'L FOLK DANCE 8:30 Friday Night Contra Dance	21 8 Scandia DC Dance
22	23	24	25 8 FSGW ENGLISH COUNTRY DANCE WITH LIZ DONALDSON	26 <i>Thanksgiving Day</i> <i>Turkeys for All!</i>	27 8:30 GREENBELT INT'L FOLK DANCE	28
29	30					



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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). There was a recent news article about **Mary**, in the Beacon Newspaper: www.thebeaconnewspapers.com/mary-cliff-folk-music-and-radio-legend/



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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Ticket prices.

Info: Contact Name at Phone number (no parentheses in phone numbers) email/website.

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