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Contrastock 11

GLEN ECHO MD • SUNDAY OCTOBER 15
ALL DAY!

The **Eleventh Annual Contrastock** is fast approaching! Join us for the beloved festival of contra dancing on Sunday October 15th, in the Bumper Car Pavilion at Glen Echo Park from 1 to 10 pm.

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meetup Meetup: meetup.com/folklore-society-of-greater-washington/

Check Us Out!

- ↔ Dance all day and evening to three fabulous bands and three top-notch callers.
- ↔ We'll close the evening out with **Contrastock's famous ALL-BAND, ALL-CALLER EXTRAVAGANZA**

First up is the dynamic duo of **Elke Baker** and **Larry Unger**. Elke combines lyrical melodies with driving dance rhythms in her energetic fiddling; Larry is a renowned musician on the guitar, banjo, and more, whose tune compositions are widely played at contra dances everywhere. Together, they make a combination that is not to be missed.

Calling the dances is **Diane Silver** of Asheville, North Carolina, known for her infectious energy and seemingly effortless teaching.



DIANE SILVER

Next up, all the way from Boston, is **Kingfisher**, featuring **Cecilia Vacanti** on fiddle and **Jeff Kaufman** (of *Free Raisins* fame) on mandolin, keyboard, drums, and more. Playing both traditional and contemporary contra dance music, **Kingfisher** has been hailed as one of the most versatile up-and-coming contra dance bands on the road today.

Bob Isaacs of Princeton, New Jersey, beloved among dancers everywhere as a choreographer and caller of innovative and complex dances, will call the figures.



BOB ISAACS

Finally, **Live Wire** is an exciting band from the Philadelphia area featuring Berklee School of Music graduate **Tom Krumm** on fiddle, second-generation dance musician **Bill Kennedy** on keyboard, and longtime staples of the contra dance scene **Bill Quern** on banjo, mandolin, and melodeon and **Sarah Gowan** on guitar. This group lights up the dance floor with their varied and energetic tunes.

Local favorite **Janine Smith** will bring us home with her legendary sense of humor and irrepresible love of music and dance.



JANINE SMITH



- ↔ Dinner will be "bring your own picnic" again this year instead of a potluck. **Bring your friends too!**

See you on the dance FLOOR!

↔ **Questions?** Contact dance@fsgw.org

↔ **Registration** is **now open**. There is a strong chance of the event selling out, so we encourage you to sign up early!

FSGW CO-SPONSORED

UILLEANN PIPER CILLIAN VALLELY AND FRIENDS

ALEXANDRIA VA

SUNDAY OCTOBER 29 • 3:30 PM

This new trio act features a unique collaboration between 3 of the best known names in traditional Irish music:

Cillian Vallely on uilleann pipes, **David Doocey** from Co. Mayo on fiddle, and **Dave Curley** on guitar and vocals.

Armagh native **Cillian Vallely** has established his name over the last decade through his playing with award-winning trad Irish supergroup **Lunasa**. Influenced by the rhythmic, flowing style of Paddy Keenan and Johnny Doran, Vallely’s mastery of chanter, drones and regulators has earned a reputation as one of the top players in the tradition. He has performed with acts as diverse as **Bruce Springsteen, Riverdance, Natalie Merchant, Mary Chapin Carpenter & Tim O’Brien**. He has also recorded on over 70 albums including seven with Lunasa, his acclaimed solo debut “The Raven’s Rock”, “Callan Bridge” with his brother Niall, “On Common Ground” with Kevin Crawford. **David Doocey** from Co. Mayo is at the forefront of a younger generation of Irish musicians. He has won several awards for his outstanding fiddle playing including the All-Ireland Fleadh, the first ever World Fleadh fiddle championship in 2005 and the much coveted Feile Oriel trophy. **Dave Curley** is a multi-instrumentalist, singer and songwriter from Galway, Ireland. He is a member of

award winning Irish trad bands “One for the Foxes” and “Slide”.

Co-Sponsored with the Traditional Music Series at the Lyceum, and by the City of Alexandria. At the Lyceum, 201 S. Washington Street, Alexandria, VA.

Admission: \$25 in advance only

Event webpage/Online ticket purchase:
ticketstripe.com/VallelyDooceyCurley

Info: Chris Lindsay, concerts@fsgw.org

FSGW CO-SPONSORED

GENTICORUM • SILVER SPRING MD

WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 18 • 7:30 PM

GENTICORUM



PHOTO : Dylan Ladds

With Juno and ADISQ nominations, and four Canadian Folk Music Awards, Quebecois ensemble **Genticorum** is one of the leading groups of traditional Quebec music. Washington knows this group well from its starring role in the 2017 Washington Revels production. **Pascal Gemme** (violin), **Yann Falquet** (guitar) and **Nicolas Williams**

(flute, accordion) are each individually sought-after musicians. But as the old saying goes, the whole is even greater than the sum of its parts. The evening will be filled with joy, energy, and music that will keep you smiling for a long, long time.

Genticorum website: genticorum.com/

When: Wednesday October 18 at 7:30 pm, doors open at 7 pm.

Where: House concert in Silver Spring, MD.
Suggested Donation: \$20–\$25.

RSVP/questions/street address:
email phllsdrck@gmail.com

JULIE HENIGAN
SILVER SPRING MD, ALEXANDRIA VA
OCTOBER 6, 7, 8
TIME VARIES FOR EACH LOCATION

FSGW Presents a Rare Opportunity to Hear Scholar, Singer and Irish Guitar Virtuoso **Julie Henigan**.
(facebook.com/JulieHeniganMusic)

Julie Henigan, known internationally as a scholar and singer of Irish and Ozark folksongs, and as the author of two definitive books on Irish-style guitar, will be making some rare appearances in our area. Though her schedule has not yet been finalized, Julie will be appearing at the FSGW Getaway (Sept. 29 – Oct. 2). At the Getaway, Julie will present a mini-concert, a workshop on The Songs of the Ozarks, and she will co-host a workshop on Medieval and Renaissance Music with **Kevin Elam**.

After the FSGW Getaway, she will appear in the Silver Spring MD area at an all-Irish house concert on October 6 and will present a Traditional Irish Song workshop on October 7. She will finish off her mini-tour of the DMV on October 8 with a house concert in Alexandria VA. Julie performs unaccompanied ballads, old-time banjo numbers, instrumental dance tunes, guitar originals, and traditional songs in Irish Gaelic. She plays guitar, five-string banjo, lap dulcimer, and fiddle for both song accompaniment and solo instrumentals.

- FRIDAY OCTOBER 6 AT 8 PM
All Irish House Concert at Connie McKenna's home in Silver Spring MD. Julie will sing songs in Irish Gaelic and English while accompanying herself on guitar. Suggested donation: \$15–\$20
 - SATURDAY OCTOBER 7 AT 2 PM
Irish Song Workshop at Connie McKenna's home in Silver Spring MD. Suggested donation: \$25
- FRIDAY and SATURDAY event **information, directions** and **how to register:**
please contact Liz Milner at lizmilner@mindspring.com
- SUNDAY OCTOBER 8 AT 7 PM
House Concert Hosted by Gordon Johnston and Karen Helbrecht in the Del Rey neighborhood of Alexandria VA. Recommended donation of \$15–\$20 per person with all proceeds going directly to the performer.

SUNDAY event **info:** mjkandg@verizon.net to RSVP and for the house concert address

FSGW ENGLISH COUNTRY DANCE

IN-PERSON: GLEN ECHO, MD • WEDNESDAYS • 8 – 10:30 PM

AND ONLINE: FOURTH THURSDAY OCTOBER 26 • 8 – 10:30 PM

The English Country Dance committee has initiated the resumption of in-person Wednesday night dances at Glen Echo Town Hall. The online Zoom dance has moved to 4th Thursdays.

Check our web page (fsgw.org/ecd) for the latest information on dancing in-person.

Interested in the Zoom dance?
See the schedule at:

fsgw.org/english-country-dance-online



October 4 - April Blum



Apr. 19 - Dan Gillespie



October 11 - Melissa Running



October 25 - Andrea Nettleton
and October 26
4th Thursday, Virtual Dance

October Lineup:

4 **April Blum** calls to the playing of **Tina Chancey** (fiddle), **Carrie Rose** (flute), **Bobby LaRose** (piano)

11 **Melissa Running** leads the dancing while (Guest musician from PA) **Miranda Weinberg** (fiddle), **Sophie Chang** (cello), and **Liz Donaldson** (piano) play the tunes

18 **Dan Gillespie** calls to the music of **Becky Ross** (fiddle), **Susan Brandt** (flute), and **Janina O'Brien** (piano)

25 **Andrea Nettleton** calls while **Mari Carlson** (fiddle), **Colleen Reed** (flute), and **Melissa Running** (piano) make the music

Virtual Dance - Thursday, October 26 - Andrea Nettleton

FSGW DANCES

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IMPORTANT NOTE

The FSGW Board has rescinded the Policy on Calling Terms adopted on January 14, 2020.

Gender-free terms will now be used for the FSGW co-sponsored contra dances.

**FSGW AND
THE FRIDAY NIGHT DANCERS
JOINT CONTRA DANCE
GLEN ECHO MD
FRIDAYS • LESSON AT 7:30 PM
DANCE AT 8 PM**

FSGW and FND have joined to present Contra dances!

There is a limit of 175 dancers for each dance. Full information will be on the FSGW calendar and FND Facebook page.

Info: [fsgw.org/ Friday-contra-square-dance](http://fsgw.org/Friday-contra-square-dance)
Please pre-register so we can manage participation.

October . . . FSGW Tier 2 events

**6 Bob Isaacs with
The Last Chance Saloon House
Band - Nathan Bishop** (fiddle),
Doug Healy (guitar),
Judy Minot (accordion), and
Christie Reihl (cello)
fsgw.org/event-5384130/Registration

13 Philly Callers led by Sue Gola
with *Live Wire* - **Sarah Gowan**
(guitar, concertina), **Ben Kennedy**
(keyboards), **Tom Krumm**
(fiddle), **Bill Quern** (banjos,
melodeon, mandolin)
fsgw.org/event-5384134/Registration

20 Caroline Barnes with Handspring
- **Carrie Rose** (flute), **Alexander
Mitchell** (fiddle, mandolin), and
Owen Morrison (guitar)
fsgw.org/event-5384151/Registration

27 Qwill Duvall with The Gigmesters
- **Alexander Mitchell** (fiddle), **Paul
Oorts** (mandolin), **Ralph Gordon**
(bass), and **Dave Wiesler** (piano,
guitar)
fsgw.org/event-5384155/Registration

Please note that all are strongly encouraged to preregister.

COVID POLICY:

Since June 1, this is an FSGW Tier 2 event: N95, KN95, KF94 or similar masks are optional. We no longer require proof of vaccination.

[Learn More](#)

**FSGW CO-SPONSORED
SILVER SPRING CONTRA DANCE
SILVER SPRING MD
OCTOBER 12
7 PM LESSON, 7:30 PM DANCE**

October . . . FSGW Tier 2 events
12 Gaye Fifer with **Elke Baker** (fiddle)
and **Larry Unger** (guitar)

Register at: [fsgw.org/
event-5347239/Registration](http://fsgw.org/event-5347239/Registration)

Location: Silver Spring Civic Building
8525 Fenton St.
Silver Spring MD 20910

NEW EVENT: A Dance Basics session
from 6:30 to 6:55. Exercises and
demos geared to making Contra
Dance safer and more fun for all.
Presented by **Linda Zebooker**.

Free introductory lesson 7 to 7:30 pm.
Dance 7:30 to 9:30 pm.
\$15 general admission.
\$12 Folklore Society of Greater Wash-
ington (FSGW) Members.
\$5 ages 21 and under and those with
limited income.

Since June 1, this is an FSGW Tier 2
event: N95, KN95, KF94 or similar
masks are optional. We no longer re-
quire proof of vaccination.

[Learn More](#)

Info: [fsgw.org/
silver-spring-contra-dance](http://fsgw.org/silver-spring-contra-dance)

*This dance is presented by FSGW and
Carpe Diem Arts and is funded in part
by Montgomery County Recreation,
the Arts and Humanities Council of
Montgomery County, and the
Maryland State Arts Council, plus
individual donors and dancers!*



FSGW BARN DANCE!

GLEN ECHO MD • OCTOBER 8 • 1 – 3 PM

Come join us at the barn dance! This fun-spirited dance event is suitable for all ages and ability levels and features live music and calling. There will be circle dances, ceilidhs, and a variety of mixers. This dance fits the bill for families with preschool children just as well as older groups of tweens and teens. Our intergenerational community is what makes this dance unique and fun.

~ So grab a friend or your kids and come join us! ~

1 to 3 pm in the Bumper Car Pavilion — FREE!

October . . .

8 Sargon de Jesus with
Sandy Hofferth (fiddle) and **Joe Langley** (guitar)

Info: fsgw.org/barn-dance

FSGW CO-SPONSORED
GLEN ECHO INTERNATIONAL
FOLK DANCERS
GLEN ECHO MD & ONLINE
WEDNESDAYS • 8 PM

Everyone will need to show proof of vaccination and provide their name, email address, and phone number for contact tracing. No exceptions. These dances are instruction-

oriented from 8 to 9 pm with open request dancing after 9 pm. If you wish to attend, please contact Jamie at dancingplanet@erols.com to RSVP before attending.

For out-of-towners, we will try to show the class via Zoom. You can enter by clicking onto the following link:
us02web.zoom.us/j/87152651884?pwd=QWVYVEc1cm9uWTNqTkwrYTdPWlRrdz09

Meeting ID: 871 5265 1884
Password: 145

If you click on the link, you may not need to enter a password.

Info: dancingplanet@erols.com

FSGW CO-SPONSORED
GREENBELT INTERNATIONAL
FOLK DANCE
GREENBELT MD
FRIDAYS • 8 PM

Weekly in-person international folk dancing has returned to Greenbelt with some sessions being in-person only, and others will be hybrid (in-person AND through Zoom). Occasionally, due to dance studio unavailability, some events will be Zoom only.

We do a variety of line, circle and couple dances mostly from the Balkans, Scandinavia and other parts of Europe. If you've ever wondered about music in odd rhythms – like 7, 9 and 11 – come and get hooked on this wonderful music, which includes these great dance rhythms and more. The room where we dance has a beautiful sprung wood floor (please bring a clean change from your street shoes). We sometimes have special events, including dance workshops and live music nights. Newcomers and beginners are welcome!

When: (almost) Every Friday night
from 8 to 9:30 pm

Where: Greenbelt Community Dance Studio
15 Crescent Rd.
Greenbelt MD 20770
(NEW! enter and depart the community center through the front door.)
For the zoom link, contact John Robinson.

COVID POLICY: To participate in the In-Person programs at the Greenbelt Community Center you must comply with the Greenbelt IFD Covid-19 masking & vaccination policy.
larryweiner.com/FridayDance-Covid-19%20-%202022-08-01a.htm

Info: Larry Weiner, 301-565-0539 or John and Sheila Robinson, 410-715-9210

More Info: visit larryweiner.com/FridayDance.htm or facebook.com/GreenbeltInternationalFolkDancing/?ref=page_internal

■ FSGW SINGS ■

FSGW OPEN SING • ONLINE FRIDAY OCTOBER 6 • 7:30 PM

The Open Sing Host is Dave Rabinowitz. The topic is “**Work**”.

Only those wishing to sing need to register.

Sign Up: bit.ly/October-Open-Sing-Sign-up

Singer's List: bit.ly/October-Open-Sing-Singers-List

Reminder: Registration will be open till Noon EDT on 9/1/23.

Zoom Link will be sent to the Open Sing Mailing List. If you're not a member, sign up at groups.io/g/FSGWOpenSings

General Info: fsgw.org/open-sings

Event Page: fsgw.org/event-5428205

Info: Vince@VinceWilding.com

SCHWEINHAUT SONG CIRCLE SILVER SPRING MD AND ONLINE SECOND FRIDAY OCTOBER 13 1:30 – 3:30 PM

The monthly Schweinhaut Song Circle provides a daytime opportunity to enjoy delightful songs, old or new, humorous or serious, timeless or topical. Everyone is welcome, regardless of experience. Come for informal group singing or just to listen.

With Halloween coming up, bring or request your favorite spooky songs, or any other songs! To keep the singing going, it's helpful if you send your requests in advance using the form in the registration link below.



Susan McNelis will lead songs with guitar accompaniment, and any

participant may lead any song *a cappella* or self-accompanied.

The Song Circle will be held in person at the Margaret Schweinhaut Senior Center, 1000 Forest Glen Road, Silver Spring, MD 20901. Participants are encouraged, but not required, to pre-register (see below), to have completed a full course of a COVID-19 vaccine (including boosters if eligible) before September 29, and to wear a mask except while leading a song.

If you can't come in person, you can join us on Zoom or by phone. The Zoom link and phone number will be sent Friday morning to those who are on the Schweinhaut Song Circle email list and to others who register at forms.gle/jr4sR9tmu6VRMBdN8 by **Thursday, October 12**.

For the latest updates about the Song Circle, see: fsgw.org/event-5399276

FSGW GOSPEL SING TAKOMA PARK MD SUNDAY OCTOBER 8 • 4 – 6 PM

In September, this Southern country gospel hymn sing moved back to Arthur & Barbara Karpas's back garden in Takoma Park. Group singing will take place for two hours, from 4 to 6 pm. Hymnals provided. Everyone is welcome, but be sure you are vaccinated and symptom-free, and please bring your mask with you.

RSVP/directions:

email kpmack2@gmail.com, or call 301-270-4239 (Kathie Mack) or 301-270-4239 (Barbara & Arthur)

General Info: fsgw.org/gospel-sings

FSGW STORYTELLING

FSGW & VITG (VOICES IN THE GLEN) MONTHLY STORY SWAP ONLINE SATURDAY OCTOBER 14 • 7:30 PM

Storytellers and listeners are invited to an evening of shared stories. Anyone is welcome to tell a tale; no one ever has to. For adults or families. Free.

Info: Jane Dorfman, 301-654-5818,
dorfmanjo@gmail.com;
voicesintheglen.org/event/vitg-monthly-story-swap-online-36/

THE GRAPEVINE

GRAPEVINE ONLINE STORYTELLING

The Grapevine is on summer hiatus.
Watch for us again in November!
Really!

Info: fsgw.org/grapevine

OPEN DANCES

SHEPHERDSTOWN CONTRA DANCE SHEPHERDSTOWN WV SATURDAY OCTOBER 7 • 8 PM

Put on your dancing shoes for a fabulous evening with our TBD caller and ban.

Vaccinations are recommended and masking with KN95 or similar masks is encouraged but not required.

\$15 admission for ALL at the door.
Beginner/refresher lesson at 7:30.

We dance at the historic **War Memorial Building** in Shepherdstown, WV.

For more **information** visit smad.us

ENGLISH COUNTRY DANCE HERNDON VA SATURDAY OCTOBER 14 6:30 – 9:30 PM

Tom Spilsbury calls to music by **Catherine Chapman**.

The Leesburg Assembly • Herndon Senior Center, 873 Grace St., Herndon, VA 20170.

Our dances always have a caller and musicians. Please consider bringing a refreshment to share.

\$10; Students, \$5.

Info: Laurel Bybell (Secretary)
lbybell@gmail.com
(703-791-5603) or
theleesburgassembly.org

BFMS DANCE (BALTIMORE FOLK MUSIC SOCIETY) • BALTIMORE MD
SATURDAY OCTOBER 14
8 – 10:30 PM
NEW DANCER LESSON: 7:30 PM

Contra dances with **Caroline Barnes** calling to *The Wombats of the Chesapeake* ~ **Carl Friedman** (fiddle), **Robin Wilson** (flute, concertina, sax), **Ralph Barthine** (guitar), and **Janina O'Brien** (piano, accordion, bodhran, whistle)

New dancer lesson: 7:30 pm.

Use this link for online payment:
bfms.org/contradancepay.php

Location: The Church of the Nativity and Holy Comforter
6112 York Rd.
Baltimore, MD 21212

Admission is: \$10 BFMS members & affiliates, \$15 non-members. Under 21 and full-time students with ID: \$7 members, \$10 nonmembers.

BFMS CONTRA (BALTIMORE FOLK MUSIC SOCIETY) • BALTIMORE MD
FIRST AND THIRD WEDNESDAYS:
OCTOBER 4 & 18 • 8 – 10:30 PM

Wednesday Night Contra Dance Series! Every other Wednesday, 8 to 10:30 pm.

Lovely Lane Church
2200 St. Paul St. 21218

Beginners always welcome! New dancer workshops at 7:30. BFMS and FSGW members \$10, non-members \$15. Student discount.

Pre-registration info: bfms.org

October . . .

4 Greg Frock calls to *the Baltimore Open Band*

18 Kappy Lanning calls to *Contre Temps* - **McGregor Yatsevitch** (fiddle, mandolin), **Andrew Tomlinson** (flute), and **Mark Vidor** (accordion, piano).

BFMS ENGLISH COUNTRY DANCE
BALTIMORE MD
2ND AND 4TH MONDAYS
8 – 10:30 PM, NEW DANCERS'
WORKSHOP 7:45 PM

New Dancers' workshop 7:45 pm.

English country dancing is lively movement to elegant music in a friendly, informal setting. All dances are taught and walked through.

Preregistration required at bfms.org, vax/mask required.

Church of the Nativity and Holy Comforter: 6112 York Rd., 21212.
bfms.org/directionstoChurchoftheNativity.php

\$15 for non-members; \$10 BFMS, ATDS, FSGW, CDSS members; \$7 student non-members, \$5 student members.

Info: Ann Fallon, 410-507-0934, or engdance@bfms.org

October . . .

9 Christopher Field calls dances to the music of **Emily Aubrey** (fiddle), **Carl Friedman** (piano); and **Marty Taylor** (whistles and concertina).

23 April Blum leads the dancing to the music of **Carl Friedman** (violin), **Janina O'Brien** (piano and more) and **Robin Wilson** (flute, concertina)

POP-UP CONTRA DANCE
GLEN ECHO MD
SUNDAY OCTOBER 22 • 3 – 6 PM

Sunday Afternoon Pop-up Contra Dance at Glen Echo Park, MD in the Bumper Car Pavilion. New Dancer Introductory Session at 2:30 pm

Dancing Planet Productions presents a special afternoon contra dance featuring calling by **Janine Smith** with music by **The Gigmasters**. That's **Alexander Mitchell** (fiddle, mandolin, tenor banjo), **Dave Wiesler** (piano, guitar), **Paul Oorts** (mandolin, cittern, accordion), and **Ralph Gordon** (bass).

Round up your crew, bring a picnic lunch or dinner, and make a day of it at Glen Echo Park. \$15 at the door.

For more **information** please go to dancingplanetproductions.com/contra

SWING DANCE • GLEN ECHO MD
OCTOBER 14 & 28 • 8 PM

- Beginner swing lesson 8 to 9 pm; dance 9 to 11:30 pm (band plays two sets)
- Admission \$20/person advanced sales (credit card only); \$30/person at the door. Advanced ticket sales ends at 12 noon on the day of the dance. All ticket sales are final; no refunds or credits.

Register at:

Gottaswing.com/calendar
where you can buy tickets
online for each dance.

We have dropped all covid-related restrictions at our classes and dances. We encourage vaccinations, boosters, and masks are always optional.

Info: gottaswing.com/calendar/

October... (mostly in the Ballroom)

14 *Scott Silbert All-Stars*

28 *Halloween Hop w/ King Teddy*

ENGLISH COUNTRY DANCE

ANNAPOLIS MD

SATURDAY OCTOBER 21

7 – 9:30 PM

(INTRO LESSON: 6:30 PM)

Kappy Laning calls to **Tom Wright** (10 string mandolin), **Liz Donaldson** (piano) and **Susan Brandt** (flute).

Capped attendance, so pre-registration required via email to aefallon@verizon.net.

Venue has windows and fans for ventilation. No experience or partner required. No food/drinks provided; please bring own drinking water. \$10.

Annapolis Friends Meeting Hall
351 Dubois Rd.
Annapolis, MD 21401

Info: **Jan Scopel**, 443-540-0867, janscope@hotmail.com or **Ann Fallon**, 410-507-0934; facebook.com/profile.php?id=100057517095183



SMTMD CONTRA DANCE

CHAPTICO MD

SATURDAY OCTOBER 14

7:30 PM

SMTMD will resume its contra dances for the Fall with **Jordan Kammeyer** calling to the **Southern Maryland Open Band**. Events and Dances are held at Christ Church Parish Hall, 7497 Zach Fowler Rd, Chaptico MD.

Info: smtmd.org for more details

AFTERNOON WALTZ

GLEN ECHO MD

OCTOBER 15 & 29 • 2:45 PM

Join us for an afternoon of waltzing in the Spanish Ballroom!

Take our beginner waltz lesson from 2:45 to 3:30 pm and enjoy dancing from 3:30 until 6 pm. No partner required. Admission is \$15, \$5 for full-time students with ID.

Info: WaltzTimeDances.org

or 301-634-2222

Proof of fully vaxed status is required. Masks requirements change; please bring one. More info on our website.

October . . .

15 *Valsa Chorinho* with **Paul Oorts** (accordion, mandolin, banjo, guitar), **Carrie Rose** (flute), **Tom Rohde** (guitar)

29 *Djangolaya Trio* with **Charlie Schueller** (accordion), **Andrew Deshler** (guitar), **Jeanine Greene** (violin, vocals)

ENGLISH COUNTRY DANCE

SILVER SPRING MD

SATURDAY OCTOBER 14

7:30 – 9:30 PM

Bob Farrall calls to music by **Peascods Gathering**. Beginners and singles welcome. \$5.

Location:

Glen Haven Elementary School
10900 Inwood Ave., 20902
(Parking and entrance in rear.)

Info: Carl Minkus, 301-493-6281,
cminkus@verizon.net, or
Bob Farrall, 301-577-5018

**MID-ATLANTIC
NORWEGIAN DANCERS
KENSINGTON, MD AND ON ZOOM
OCTOBER 7
6 PM POTLUCK,
7:30 MUSIC/DANCING**

In-person Norwegian-style cozy house party, plus continued Zoom access.

This month’s host is Sonia White, with her big friendly dog. Mesmerizing live music by Loretta Kelley and friends on exotic Norwegian Hardanger fiddle and Swedish nyckelharpa, which both have sympathetic strings under the bowed strings.

Addictive dances, some with elements like Swing or Hambo. Beginners, singles/couples, watchers/listeners all welcome.

Please bring food to share, clean shoes to wear, and bucks you can spare. No need to bring a partner—we mix and some enjoy dancing either role so all can dance.

Info (including host’s pandemic parameters):
MAND.fanitull.org
or Jenny Foster, pi@xecu.net
(MAND in Subject please),
H 301-371-4312

**SCANDIA DC DANCE/MUSIC EVENT
GREENBELT MD
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21ST
3:15 - 5:45 PM**

Scandia DC will be holding its monthly Third Saturday dance/music event October 21st in person. It will also be available virtually for those unable to attend in person. The event will feature dance teaching at the beginning to recorded music followed by live music sets.

The first music set will allow musicians to play along with lead musician, **Laura Hummel**, after a practice session in a separate room during the dance teaching. Tunes in that set will be available on the website in advance of the evening. Up to date vaccinations or negative test the day of are highly recommended, masks may be required. More details on COVID precautions will be in the announcement email.

Info: Email Linda@ScandiaDC.org to get on the list to receive the latest information on the event if you are not already on the list. More information will be available at ScandiaDC.org and in the invitation email closer to the event.

**THE NORDIC DANCERS OF
WASHINGTON DC
SILVER SPRING MD
WEDNESDAYS • 7:30 – 9:50 PM**

The Nordic Dancers preserve the traditions of community dance groups in Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway, and Sweden. Music by **Paul Carlson**. Check by email for updated COVID protocols. 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
sites.google.com/site/nordicdancersdc/

**CUBAN SALSA CLASS
& SOCIAL DANCING
WASHINGTON DC
SATURDAYS • 1:15 – 4 PM**

We dance at:

Chevy Chase Baptist Church
5671 Western Ave, NW
Washington, DC 20015

\$15/person

Details: danceintime.com/classes

Questions: Barb@DanceInTime.com
or call Barb: 443-773-2623



DANCEINTIME CUBAN SALSA CLASS

OPEN CONCERTS, SINGS, AND PERFORMING ARTS

CARPE DIEM ARTS DAILY ANTIDOTE OF SONG ONLINE DAILY • 12 NOON

Daily at noon, Carpe Diem Arts offer “notes of hope” as a song leader from our roster of OVER ONE HUNDRED local, national and international guest artists shares a song online. Watch our website for announcements about specially-themed weeks.

Great for all ages! Attend in 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: [carpediemarts.org/
daily-antidote-of-song](https://carpediemarts.org/daily-antidote-of-song)

TOUCHED BY SONG GOSPEL JAM HERNDON VA TUESDAY OCTOBER 10 7 – 9 PM

New time: 2nd Tuesday from 7 – 9 pm

Open to all ages and all levels. We play a variety of gospel from hymns, bluegrass gospel, country gospel, praise, original songs. Chairs are available but please bring a stand.

The **address** is: Floris United Methodist Church
13600 Frying Pan Rd.
Herndon VA 20171
Drive up the hill and park on the upper level.

THE FRYING PAN OLD-TIME JAM FAIRFAX VA SUNDAY OCTOBER 8 • 1 PM

Near the stage in the Visitor Center. The jam is on the first Sunday of the month from 1 to 4 pm. Chairs are available in the room. You can go to the main Visitor Center entry and they will direct you.

Free. Frying Pan Park, Fairfax VA.

CABOMA JAM ARLINGTON VA OCTOBER 8 & 22 • 2 PM

CABOMA’s jams are regularly on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month.

Regular time and place: 2 to 6 pm
Unitarian Universalist
Church of Arlington
4444 Arlington Blvd.
Arlington, VA 22204

We have three rooms for jamming. The slow jam starts in the chapel (the big basement room with the circular ceiling fixture) from 2 to 3 pm. Room 13/15 houses a regular tempo jam. And room 14 is also available to us. Room 14 is not used a lot; it’s available for creative uses—small breakout groups or perhaps a continuation of the slow jam.

Info: caboma.org/

FSGW CO-SPONSORED TAKOMA OLD-TIME JAM TAKOMA PARK MD (?)* WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 18 7:30 – 9:30 PM

Jonathan Vocke will host the Old Time Jam on Wednesday from 6:45 to 9 pm. We’ll have a 30 to 40 minute slow jam to start.

This jam is open to all skill levels and instruments. Please come with whatever you play and plan on supporting the restaurant that is generously hosting us!

***Our location** has been at BevCo which is at 6917 Laurel Ave., Takoma Park, MD. The location is changing, but if the weather is nice we may be in the tent in front of BevCo.
—*Watch for updates.*

Info: fsgw.org/Takoma-Park-Old-Time-Jam

MONTGOMERY PARKS HARVEST FESTIVAL AGRICULTURAL HISTORY FARM PARK • DERWOOD MD OCTOBER 7 • 11 AM – 4 PM

Entry is \$20/car

- Traditional crafts, activities, music, and food
- Live Music by *The String Bean Band*, *Linda Harris & David Cole* and *Hickory Grove Band*
- Storytelling by Story Tapestries

Website: [montgomeryparks.org/
events/harvest-festival-2023](https://montgomeryparks.org/events/harvest-festival-2023)

BLUEGRASS SLOW JAM • TAKOMA PARK MD • THURSDAY OCTOBER 12 & 26 • 7 – 9 PM

Cherry Blossom Special (Mari Carlson, Justin Heath, Nick Cameron, Gabby Cameron, and Sophie Chang) lead a bi-weekly bluegrass jam for high school students and adults looking to build their jamming chops. They will lead standard tunes from the bluegrass repertoire and help you out if you get lost in the chords. \$10 suggested donation.

Location: 7112 Willow Ave.
Takoma Park MD 20912

Info: (240) 690-1910
lessons@schoolofmusicaltraditions.com
schoolofmusicaltraditions.com/jams-open-mics/bluegrass-slow-jam

**D.C. SING-ALONG
TAKOMA PARK MD • SATURDAY
OCTOBER 21 • 5 – 7 PM**

Josh Korr leads a hootenanny for the digital age. Combining the communal spirit of '60s sing-alongs with a modern songbook, a rawk 'tude, and an aversion to noodling, the D.C. Sing-Along is a heartwarming, cathartic, and analog good time. \$10 suggested donation.

Location: 7112 Willow Ave.
Takoma Park MD 20912

Info: (240) 690-1910
lessons@schoolofmusicaltraditions.com
schoolofmusicaltraditions.square.site/product/dc-sing-along/132

**GET YOUR LONESOME ON!
TAKOMA PARK, MD
MONDAY OCTOBER 2
7 – 9:30 PM**

Bluegrass is a Washington-area tradition. In the 1940s Appalachian migrants to the region brought a plethora of great music and musicians, earning Washington-Baltimore the moniker "Bluegrass Capital of the World." In the spirit of that proud tradition, SMT is hosting a monthly jam for both experienced and beginner pickers and those who love them, hosted by **Ira Gitlin** and **Mary Naden**. \$10 suggested donation.

Folks are free to play or listen as they please. BYO non-alcoholic beverages and food are allowed. Plenty of restaurants and bars are within one or two blocks of the school, and parking is available. We encourage patronizing Takoma Park's lively food scene!

Location: 7112 Willow Ave.
Takoma Park MD 20912

Info: (240) 690-1910
lessons@schoolofmusicaltraditions.com
schoolofmusicaltraditions.square.site/product/get-your-lonesome-on/138

**SOLO BAGPIPING JUDGES' RECITAL
ROCKVILLE MD
OCTOBER 6 • 7:30 PM**

IMT, in partnership with Nicol-Brown Amateur Invitational Contest

presents their Solo Bagpiping Judges' Recital.

The 40th Nicol-Brown Amateur Invitational Contest will be held at St. Mark Presbyterian Church in Rockville, Maryland, co-sponsored for the first time with the Institute of Musical Traditions. The weekend will begin with a judges' recital on Friday evening, October 6, a rare opportunity to listen to performances from three of the world's premier pipers and authorities on pipe music.

The contest and award ceremony will follow on Saturday, October 7. Saint Mark Presbyterian Church: 10701 Old Georgetown Rd., Rockville, MD. FREE ADMISSION (donations accepted for the benefit of the Nicol-Brown)

Info: rob Hinkal at
publicity@imtfolk.org or
imtfolk.org

**40TH AMATEUR INVITATIONAL
SOLO BAGPIPING CONTEST
ROCKVILLE MD
OCTOBER 7 • 9:30 AM**

IMT, in partnership with Nicol-Brown, presents their 40th Amateur Invitational Solo Bagpiping Contest.

Ten of the finest Amateur pipers from across North America have earned invitations to play in this elite solo competition consisting of three events: 6/8 Marches, Piobaireachd and March, Strathspey, and Reel. The contest is dedicated annually to the memory of Robert U. Brown and Robert B. Nicol, the Masters of Piobaireachd.

Saint Mark Presbyterian Church,
10701 Old Georgetown Road, Rock-
ville, MD. 9:30 am - 6:30 pm. FREE
ADMISSION (donations accepted for
the benefit of the Nicol-Brown) —
Public welcome!

Info: rob Hinkal at
publicity@imtfolk.org or
imtfolk.org

**CATHY FINK & MARCY MARXER
WITH CHAO TIAN
BETHESDA MD
OCTOBER 13 • 7:30 PM**

From China To Appalachia: IMT
and the Asian Arts & Culture
Center at Towson University
present GRAMMY Award-winning
American Roots artists **Cathy Fink
& Marcy Marxer** with Chinese
classical hammered-dulcimer
player **Chao Tian** in a show that
combines music from China to
Appalachia and beyond.
Instrumentation includes yangqin

**FUSING THE MUSIC FROM CHINA
TO APPALACHIA AND BEYOND
TAKOMA PARK MD
OCTOBER 15 • 2 PM**

Part workshop, part masterclass, the
program will give a detailed view of
their instrumentation, particularly
the lesser known yangqin (Chinese

(Chinese hammered dulcimer),
gourd banjo, five-string banjo,
ukulele, guitars, dumbek, cello-
banjo and mandolin.

Location:
Saint Mark Presbyterian Church
10701 Old Georgetown Rd.
Rockville MD

Tickets: \$20 advance
(+\$2 box office fee) / \$25 door
Tickets at imtfolk.org

Info: rob Hinkal at
publicity@imtfolk.org or
imtfolk.org

hammered dulcimer), along with
five-string banjo, cello banjo, gourd
banjo, mandolin, ukulele and
percussion. The band will co-show
how they fuse their eclectic musical
instruments and ideas for both an
arranged piece and an improvised
piece of music. If people bring
instruments, they will teach one
Chinese tune that easily adapts to
American old-time instruments. Q &
A to follow and a last tune. School of
Musical Traditions | 7112 Willow Ave.,
Takoma Park, MD 20912 | 2pm |
Tickets are \$10 (+\$2 box office fee).
Tickets at imtfolk.org

Info: rob Hinkal at
publicity@imtfolk.org or
imtfolk.org

**ALASDAIR FRASER &
NATALIE HAAS • ROCKVILLE MD
OCTOBER 20 • 7:30 PM**

“... you would think they’d been
playing together for centuries. While
his fiddle dances, her cello throbs
darkly or plucks puckishly. Then
[Haas] opens her cello’s throat, join-
ing Fraser in soaring sustains, wind-
swept refrains, and sudden, jazzy
explosions. Their sound is as urbane
as a Manhattan midnight, and as
wild as a Clackmannan winter.” —
Boston Globe Saint Mark Presbyte-
rian Church | 10701 Old Georgetown
Road, Rockville, MD Tickets are \$29
adv (+\$2 box office fee) / \$34 door;
\$5 discount on both for students/
children. Tickets at imtfolk.org

Info: rob Hinkal at
publicity@imtfolk.org or
imtfolk.org



Cathy Fink, Chao Tian, and Marcy Marxer

TANNAHILL WEAVERS
ROCKVILLE MD
OCTOBER 23 • 7:30 PM

Born of a session in Paisley, Scotland, and named for the town's historic weaving industry and local poet laureate Robert Tannahill, the **Tannahill Weavers** have made an international name for their special brand of Celtic music, blending the beauty of traditional melodies with the power of modern rhythms. As one of the world's premier traditional Celtic bands, their diverse repertoire spans the centuries with fire-driven instrumentals, topical songs, original ballads and lullabies, and humorous tales of life in Scotland.

Location:
Saint Mark Presbyterian Church
10701 Old Georgetown Rd.
Rockville MD

Tickets: \$25 advance
(+\$2 box office fee) / \$30 door
Tickets at imtfolk.org

Info: rob Hinkal at
publicity@imtfolk.org or
imtfolk.org

TAKOMA OPEN SPARK
TAKOMA PARK MD
ONGOING TUESDAYS • 7PM

Institute of Musical Traditions presents the Takoma Open Spark. Supported by a cast of talented local regular artists and hosted by rob Hinkal and David Eisner, each Tuesday evening IMT hosts an open

mic night where all are invited to perform. A special featured artist slot is the highlight of the night!

Signup at 6:30, music at 7 pm, webcast Live on Facebook, YouTube and Twitch. House piano available.

The evening is free to attend, but we encourage a \$10 suggested donation for our featured artist.

Location:
School of Musical Traditions
7112 Willow Ave.
Takoma Park MD 20912

Info: rob Hinkal at
publicity@imtfolk.org or
imtfolk.org

WASHINGTON'S SPELMANSLAG
HYATTSVILLE AND KENSINGTON MD
SESSIONS ON THE 2ND AND 4TH
SATURDAY • 2:30 – 4 PM

Washington's Spelmanslag is a group of local musicians who love to play traditional Swedish folk music together. All instruments and all levels of play are welcome.

Our October sessions are on October 14 and October 28 in Hyattsville and Kensington.

Our November session will be part of a very special Swedish music weekend with **Paul Dahlin**, **Marikay Dahlin** and **Frances Olson** from ASI Spelmanslag in Minnesota.

Info: Catherine Chapman
240-461-9244
washingtontsspelmanslag.com
facebook.com/washingtonspelmannslag

AMERICAN FOLKLIFE CENTER'S
BENJAMIN A. BOTKIN
FOLKLIFE LECTURES
(ONLINE ONLY)
OCTOBER 16 • 12 NOON - 1 PM

Video Lecture: "Listening to Divergent Histories Through Canadian Music with **Beverly Diamond**." One of Canada's leading ethnomusicologists presents a thoughtful introduction to musics she has researched in various Indigenous communities in northern Canada, reflecting on how her approach to collecting (like that of many ethnomusicologists working outside their own communities) has changed enormously with growing awareness and concerns about appropriation, power, and who has the right to own and transmit culture.

She suggests that her approach may align with differences between Canadian and American institutions more generally, given such factors as two official languages and multiple forms of both settler and Indigenous governance in Canada.

Her work also illustrates changes in the field of ethnomusicology, more generally, from extractionist research to dialogic conversations with Indigenous and other communities.

Info: loc.gov/item/event-410095/listening-to-divergent-histories-through-canadian-music-with-beverly-diamond/2023-10-16/

WARRENTON BLUEGRASS JAM
WARRENTON VA
OCTOBER 8 • 2 PM

Yes...that is right. The Warrenton Bluegrass Jam is back! The Jam is now part of the Allegro Acoustical Jams Programs of the Allegro Community School of the Arts. Thanks to Lachelle and Sam Yoder for embracing and supporting a revitalized jam. Doc Phillips and I will co-lead the jams and we encourage everyone to come and enjoy the music and good times.

Our jams will continue meeting on the second Sunday of each month from 2 to 4 pm. We will use the Allegro studio located at 65 Main Street in downtown Warrenton. There should be plenty of parking available. This facility will permit us to jam in one location year round without having to worry about the weather. The building is located in the block between the Post Office and the Presbyterian Church.

Feel free to spread the word about our jam.

Info: wattman52@gmail.com

CAPITOL HILL SHAPE NOTE SINGING
WASHINGTON DC • WEDNESDAY
OCTOBER 18 • 7 – 9 PM

Shape note singing from The Sacred Harp and Shenandoah Harmony: community singing of 4-part *a cappella* songs in a style rooted in colonial America.

Join us the 3rd Wednesday of each

month. All are welcome! Songbooks available to share.

Capitol Hill Presbyterian Church
201 4th St SE Washington, DC 20003

Info: dcshapenote.squarespace.com
/ silvermanalexa@gmail.com

TAKOMA MANDOLEERS
ARLINGTON VA
TUESDAYS • 7:30 – 9:30 PM

The *Takoma Mandoleers* are a community orchestra comprised of mandolin, mandola, mandocello, classical guitar and string bass. Founded in Takoma Park in 1923, we play the mandolin orchestra repertoire from classical to the 20th and 21st centuries.

Info: Mandoleers.org/contact

BLUEGRASS AND OLD TIME JAM
BALTIMORE MD
TUESDAYS • 8 PM

Howdy folks! The legendary Baltimore Old Time & Bluegrass jam is now at **Peabody Heights Brewery**.

All are welcome to play along in the jam regardless of skill level or instrument. Even if you don't play, you can come to soak in the scene, listen to the music and grab a bite to eat.

Every other Tuesday, **Ken & Brad Kolodner** will lead the *Baltimore Old Time Jam* from 7 to 10 pm. The first hour of the jam will be a "slow jam" so anyone can hop in and play along at a moderate tempo. From 8 to 10 pm, they'll kick up the tempo

for the "fast jam." Imagine a sea of fiddles, banjos, guitars and more all swelling together in a chorus of joyous tunes!

On the opposite Tuesdays, **Alex Lacquement & Lucas Chohany** will lead the *Baltimore Bluegrass Jam* from 7 to 10 pm for a jam featuring bluegrass songs and instrumentals. Come with a song or two to lead — or just show up and jam along.

Best of all, the jam is FREE!

Location:

Peabody Heights Brewery, LLC
401 E. 30th St.
Baltimore, MD 21218

Info: facebook.com/groups/569707316420150

MANOR MILL OLD TIME JAM
MONKTON MD
SUNDAY OCTOBER 22 • 12 – 3 PM

Fourth Sunday every month. Generally 1 to 4 pm unless otherwise noted!

Feel free to bring a dish. BYOB!

Questions: otj@manor-mill.com

ANNE HILLS • GAITHERSBURG MD
(AND LIVE WEBCAST)
SUNDAY OCTOBER 1 • 7:30 PM

"Anne Hills is such an exquisite singer that it's understandable that people might be swept up in the pure beauty of her voice and thereby overlook her writing. That would be a mistake. For me, Anne's

writing, in songs like ‘Follow That Road’ and many others, is as direct, melodic and deep as any work being done today. She is quite simply one of my absolute favorite songwriters.” — Tom Paxton

Gaithersburg Arts Barn | 311 Kent Square Rd, Gaithersburg, MD 20878 | 7:30 pm | Tickets are \$25 in advance
Members of WFMA and Focus Music will receive a 10% discount on advance ticket purchases (both in-person & virtual). If available, in-person tickets may be purchased at the door for \$30 (non-members) / \$25 (members) at focusmusic.org

Info: rob@focusmusic.org or focusmusic.org

**VANCE GILBERT W/ SUE HOROWITZ
STERLING VA (& LIVE WEBCAST)
SATURDAY OCTOBER 7 • 7 PM**

“If Joni Mitchell and Richie Havens had a love child, with Rodney Dangerfield as the midwife, the results might have been something close to the great **Vance Gilbert**.” As the above quote from Richmond magazine suggests, Vance Gilbert defies stereotypes. It’s little wonder then that he also exceeds expectations. In this case, those two qualities go hand in hand. “I’m black, I sing, I play an acoustic guitar, and I don’t play the blues,” Gilbert insists. That may be a broad statement, but it rings with truth.

Community Lutheran Church, 21014 Whitfield Place, Sterling, VA 20165.
adv tickets \$25, day-of \$30 (member

/ congregation as-applicable \$25 at the door) at focusmusic.org

Info: rob@focusmusic.org or focusmusic.org

**THE KEN & BRAD KOLODNER
QUARTET • COLUMBIA MD
(AND LIVE WEBCAST)
SATURDAY OCTOBER 21 • 7 PM**

Back by popular demand, **Ken and Brad Kolodner** bring their world-class bluegrass band featuring hammered dulcimer and clawhammer banjo. “Ken and Brad transport the listener to a distant, dusty crossroads across the sea making ancient music that touches a place inside of us that some of us didn’t even know was there.”

Owen Brown Interfaith Center – Sanctuary C, 7246 Cradlerock Way Columbia, MD 21045
\$25 at focusmusic.org

Info: rob@focusmusic.org or focusmusic.org

**BLUEGRASS/OLD-TIME, CELTIC,
BLUES/FOLK JAMS
WESTMINSTER MD
WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 4 • 7 PM**

Each genre will have a separate space but participants are welcome to spend time in each one! All ages and skill levels are welcome. Leaders will help everyone take part. No enrollment necessary. Listeners welcome.

Carroll Arts Center, 91 West Main St., Westminster, MD 21157

First Wednesday of every month, 7 to 9 pm.

**WASHINGTON BALALAIKA SOCIETY
(WBS) • ARLINGTON VA
WEDNESDAYS • 7:30 – 9:30 PM**

WBS is welcoming new members. The orchestra is comprised of Eastern European folk instruments including balalaikas and domras in various sizes, and some Western percussion and wind instruments, producing a uniquely beautiful sound. We have an eclectic repertoire including classical music, folk songs, Broadway tunes and popular music from around the world.

We perform often around the Washington DC metropolitan area and occasionally beyond, and our audiences are always enthusiastic.

WBS invites strings players at all levels, as well as percussion, oboe, clarinet, and accordion players. (If you read music, you can learn domra or balalaika.) Come and visit us any Wednesday night at Faith Lutheran Church, 3313 Arlington Blvd., Arlington, VA 22201.

Message us on Facebook for details.

Info: balalaika@balalaika.org or balalaika.org

**ROCK CREEK MORRIS WOMEN
KENSINGTON MD
SUNDAYS • 10 – 11:30 AM**

Learn English morris dancing and become part of a community that dances, sings, and socializes to-

gether. No dance experience necessary! Email if interested.

Location: White Flint Park
11525 Rokeby Ave.
Kensington, MD 20895

Info: rockcreekmorriswomen@gmail.com and rockcreekmorriswomen.weebly.com

**FOGGY BOTTOM MORRIS MEN
ARLINGTON VA
SATURDAYS • 11 AM – 1 PM**

Learn traditional English morris dances from the Cotswold villages of Bampton, Bledington, and more. New and experienced dancers are wanted to join our community that dances, socializes, and sings.

*It's as easy as
step-hop, step-hop.*

Welburn Square: 901 N. Taylor St.,
Arlington, VA 22203

Info: Jud McIntire,
squire@fbmm.org
Nat Brown,
foreman@fbmm.org

**SHIP'S COMPANY CHANTYMEN
FAIRFAX VA, BALTIMORE,
WHEATON, & WOODSTOCK MD
1ST THURSDAY, 2ND WEDNESDAY,
& 3RD THURSDAY: 8 PM
4TH SUNDAY: 2 PM**

1st Thursdays are at the Auld Shebeen Irish Pub & Restaurant:
3971 Chain Bridge Rd.,
Fairfax, VA 22030.
(8 to 10 pm)

The 2nd Wednesday (Baltimore) is in Fells Point in the Anchor Bar at Admiral Fell's Inn: 815 S. Broadway.
(8 pm)

The 3rd Thursday folk sing hosted by **Johnny Strumm** is at the Limerick Pub: 11301 Elkin St., Wheaton, MD 20902.
(8 pm)

The 4th Sunday location is now located NW of Ellicott City MD at Los Compadres Mexican Restaurant. 10805 Birmingham Way #24, Woodstock, MD.

NOTE: **NOT** 8 pm as usual for Pub sings, but rather 2 pm start. Still approximately two hours. Same format, same lead host **Brad Graham**, different location, food & daylight instead of nighttime.

Info: Brad Graham
blgraham_99@yahoo.com
Subscribe to Ship's Company Chantymen open Chantysings events newsletter at SCC-ChanteySings-Invitation-subscribe@groups.io

**ORFEIA ENSEMBLE SING
ONLINE
MONDAYS • 7 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 but during the shutdown, we've been rehearsing on Zoom. (It works – it really does!)

No familiarity with Eastern European music required.

Info: Diane, 202-274-4155
orfeiovocalensemble@gmail.com
orfeia.wordpress.com
facebook.com/orfeiamusic

**GREG AND JERE CANOTE
SILVER SPRING MD
SATURDAY NOVEMBER 11 • 11 AM**

Please join **Greg** and **Jere Canote** and director Larry Edelman at a free screening of *The Canote Twins!*

Saturday November 11 at 11 a.m. at the AFI Silver Theatre and Cultural Center in Silver Spring, MD.

Admission is free, but reservations are required. Seating is limited, so make your reservations early.

To reserve your seats:
forms.gle/tomBnfrcfGRdWJ2Y8

About the film:

The Canote Twins, a documentary by Larry Edelman, is an intimate look into the astonishing bond, joyful spirits, and genetically-matched musical mastery of Greg and Jere Canote.

Info: thecanotetwins.com



The **FSGW Getaway** Returns to West River
FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 29 – MONDAY OCTOBER 2

The Getaway is a weekend of participating in live music-making that seeks to break down the barriers between performers and their audience.



Photo © by Ellen X. Silverberg

Enjoy a relaxed weekend at the gorgeous, comfortable West River Methodist Conference Center, on an inlet of the Chesapeake Bay. Lots of good folks have already signed up; it's going to be a great Getaway. There are still spaces available and we hope that you can join us.

Join us in gathering as a community to share, support, listen to, and learn from one another. We'll have two full days of topical sessions, sing-arounds, mini-concerts, and sign-up concerts each evening. Sing, play, jam, learn new songs and tunes, greet old friends and meet new ones.

INVITED GUESTS

at this year's Getaway include:

- Dave Rowe** — (daverowemusic.com)
- Deirdre and Sean Murtha** — (facebook.com/strangepotatoes)
- Elizabeth LaPrelle and Brian Dolphin**
- Julie Henigan** — (facebook.com/JulieHeniganMusic)
- Kevin Elam** — (kevinelammusic.com)
- The Ranzo Boys** — **Lafayette Matthews** (he/him) and **Jules Peiperl** (they/them) (facebook.com/profile.php?id=100073359734051)
- Sara Grey** — (saragrey.net)
- Will Brown**

Just a few of the many **WORKSHOP TOPICS:** songs from the Ozarks, sea chanteys, stagecraft, vocal techniques, setting up and running sound systems, old-timey jam, Celtic session, ballads, and "G-Rated Songs on R-Rated Topics."

REGISTRATION

Please register by September 15. After September 15 you will need to contact getawaychair@fsgw.org to see if space is available. You do not need to pay immediately, but we expect you to view registration as a commitment. There is more information on the registration page, located at fsgw.org/getaway.

PLEASE NOTE - This year you must register ahead of time.

NO WALK-INS permitted! This includes one-day registrations as well as overnight participants. Please fill out the entire form. We pay close attention to what you write; we use this information to plan workshops and assign rooms.

COVID POLICY The Getaway will require proof of vaccination, sent to getawaychair@fsgw.org. If a medical reason prohibits vaccinations for you, please contact us to discuss alternative strategies.

Questions? Contact getawaychair@fsgw.org

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BFMS Autumn Assembly • BALTIMORE MD

SATURDAY OCTOBER 28 • 12 – 4 PM

Don your finery and do elegant English Country dances to the music of **Trio Con Brio** (Elke Baker (fiddle); Paul Oorts (strings); Jonathan Jensen (piano))

~ Refreshments served, all dances prompted ~

Registration Info and Program:

BFMS.org

Church of the Redeemer

5603 N Charles St., Baltimore, MD 21210

Early Bird thru October 6: \$35 members/\$20 students.

Info: Emily Aubrey, 410-456-8112, autumn_assembly@bfms.org

Classic Banjo Gathering

PALMYRA NY

OCTOBER 26 – 28 2023

AND AGAIN IN MID-APRIL 2024

It is not bluegrass.

Players play 5-string banjos with nylon strings, and play with bare fingers, no picks. The music comes from the 1870 – 1920 time frame. There are solos, duets, group numbers, and the Banjo Orchestra will play.

Guests are welcome at no charge except for food and lodging.

Info: banjofraternity.org



SAVE THE DATE!

**New Year's Eve
Contra Dance Ball**

WOMAN'S CLUB OF CHEVY CHASE MD
DECEMBER 31 • 8 PM – 12:15 AM



Lisa Greenleaf

calling to

Stomp Rocket

(Glen Loper on mandolin,
Dave Langford on fiddle, and
Bethany Waickman on guitar)

Come join us for the
end-of-year festivities!

Info: fsgw.org/nye-contradance-ball



FSGW is looking for **A PART-TIME WORKER** to help with a number of administrative items.

These administrative items include: membership, event registration, website updates, and handling incoming email. This position shares tasks with another part-time administrative worker (you'll have a co-worker!).

This is a paid position.

Expected hours are 5 to 10 hours per week — spread over the week rather than concentrated into one or two days since incoming email needs to be monitored and responded to regularly.

Needed skills include organizing information, documenting procedures, writing business-like emails, comfort with Google Docs and Sheets, and using a WYSIWYG editor to make website updates. HTML and CSS skills are nice to have but not required.

Preference for someone in the DMV area who attends FSGW events at least occasionally.

Interested? Email contact@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.
- All listings must be submitted in the format set out on our website (fsgw.org). Just click on [Newsletter](#) and scroll down to Guidelines for Submitting Copy for Publication.
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Charlie Pilzer, FSGW President

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 8 FSGW Getaway!	2 8 FSGW Getaway!	3 8 FSGW Board Meeting 7 Baltimore Jam 7 Takoma Park Spark 7:30 Takoma Mandoleers	4 7 Westminster OT Jam 7:30 DC Nordic Dancers 8 FSGW English Country Dance w/ April Blum 8 Glen Echo International 8 BFMS Contra Dance	5 8 Ship's Company Chantey Sing	6 7:30 FSGW Open Sing 7:30 Greenbelt Int'l Folk Dance 8 FSGW Concert w/Julie Henigan 8 FSGW & FND Contra w/ Last Chance Saloon House Band	7 11 Foggy Bottom Morris 2 FSGW Irish Song Workshop w/Julie Henigan 6 MAND potluck/dance 8 Shepherdstown Contra Dance
8 <i>Newsletter Deadline!</i> 10 Rock Creek Morris Women 1 FSGW Barn Dance w/ Sargon de Jesus - FREE! 1 Old-Time Jam-Frying Pan Park 2 Warrenton Bluegrass Jam 2 CABOMA Jam 4 FSGW Gospel Sing 7 FSGW Concert w/Julie Henigan	9 8 BFMS English Country Dance	10 7 Herndon Gospel Jam 7 Baltimore Jam 7 Takoma Park Spark 7:30 Takoma Mandoleers	11 7:30 DC Nordic Dancers 8 FSGW English Country Dance w/ Melissa Running 8 Glen Echo International 8 BFMS Contra Dance 8 Ship's Company Chantey Sing	12	13 1:30 FSGW Schweinhaut Song Circle 7:30 Greenbelt Int'l Folk Dance 7:30 Concert w/ Kathy Fink, Marcy Marxer, Chio Tian 8 FSGW & FND Contra w/ Live Wire	14 11 Foggy Bottom Morris 2:30 Washington Spelmanslag 6:30 Herndon ECD 7:30 Silver Spring ECD 7:30 Chaptico Contra Dance 8 BFMS Dance 8 Swing Dance Glen Echo w/ Scott Silbert All-Stars
15 9 FSGW Contrastock 11! 10 Rock Creek Morris Women 2:45 Waltz at Glen Echo	16	17 7 Baltimore Jam 7 Takoma Park Spark 7:30 Takoma Mandoleers	18 7 Capital Shapenote Singing 7:30 DC Nordic Dancers 7:30 Old-Time Jam at BevCo 7:30 FSGW Concert w/ Genticorum 8 FSGW English Country Dance w/ Dan Gillespie 8 Glen Echo International 8 BFMS Contra Dance	19 7:30 FSGW Silver Spring Contra w/ Gaye Fifer 8 Wheaton Folk Sing-In	20 7:30 Greenbelt Int'l Folk Dance 7:30 Concert w/ Alitair Frasier and Natalie Haas 8 FSGW and FND Contra w/ Handspring	21 11 Foggy Bottom Morris 3:15 Scandia DC Dance Event 7 Ken and Brad Kolodner Quartet 7 Annapolis ECD 7:30 FSGW & VITG Story Swap
22 10 Rock Creek Morris Women 1 Monkton Manor Old Time Jam 2 CABOMA Jam 2 Ship's Company Chantey Sing 3 Pop-up Contra Dance!	23 7:30 Concert w/ The Tannahil Weavers 8 BFMS English Country Dance	24 7 Baltimore Jam 7 Takoma Park Spark 7:30 Takoma Mandoleers	25 7:30 DC Nordic Dancers 8 FSGW English Country Dance w/ Andrea Nettleton 8 Glen Echo International	26 8 Virtual FSGW English Country Dance w/ Andrea Nettleton	27 7:30 Greenbelt Int'l Folk Dance 8 FSGW and FND Contra w/ The Gigmesters	28 11 Foggy Bottom Morris 12 BFMS Autumn Assembly 2:30 Washington Spelmanslag 8 Swing Dance Glen Echo Halloween Hop w/ King Teddy
29 10 Rock Creek Morris Women 2:45 Waltz at Glen Echo 3:30 FSGW Concert w/ Cillian Vallely and Friends	30	31 7 Baltimore Jam 7 Takoma Park Spark 7:30 Takoma Mandoleer	Noon Every Day! Carpe Diem Arts Daily Antidote of Song			



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