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[fsgw.org/Newsletter](https://fsgw.org/Newsletter)



**Electrifying!**

FSGW is moving to an all-electronic format in September 2024. Same great newsletter, same info about folk-related events across our area, all-electronic.

## FSGW IS ON SOCIAL MEDIA



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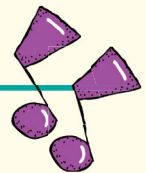
Meetup: [meetup.com/folklore-society-of-greater-washington/](https://meetup.com/folklore-society-of-greater-washington/)

Check Us Out!



## FSGW Picnic in the Park

GLEN ECHO PARK • JULY 14 • 11 AM – 4 PM



FSGW is excited to bring back our annual potluck where the FSGW community can mix and mingle. There will be dancing in the Bumper Car Pavilion, open singing and jamming, and a potluck lunch. This event is free, so invite your friends and bring a dish to share!



The barn dance will take place from 1 to 3 pm. It's a multi-generational dance, all are welcome to participate.

It will be a chance to meet members of the 2024-2025 board. There will be a brief membership meeting reviewing the previous year of FSGW and upcoming plans for the year.

**Admission: Free!** RSVP requested (but not required) so that we can have a sense of how many may come to the picnic.  
**Register:**



[fsgw.org/event-5653949/Registration](https://fsgw.org/event-5653949/Registration)

## ■ 2024-2025 FSGW ELECTION RESULTS ■

The results of this year's election for the FSGW Board of Directors for the one-year term starting July 1, 2024 are in.

The election committee would like to give a huge thank you to those board members whose term ends June 30, to those who are continuing in office, to the new members who will join the board as of July 1, and to the many members who took the time to vote. FSGW wouldn't survive without its many dedicated volunteers and members.

### THE FSGW 2024-2025 BOARD

**PRESIDENT:** Lucia Schaefer

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**OFFICER AT LARGE:** Ayan Kishore

**2024-2025 FSGW Elections Committee :** David Shewmaker (Chair), Kappy Laning, Renee Brachfeld, Jerry Stein, Joel Bluestein, Jim Cole

# THE GRAPEVINE STORYTELLING

TAKOMA PARK MD AND ONLINE • JUNE 12 • 7:30 PM

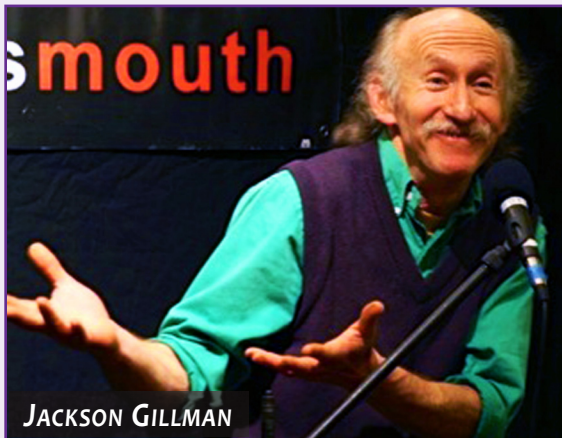
Join us on Wednesday, June 12 at 7:30 pm at Busboys and Poets Takoma (235 Carroll Ave NW, Washington, MD), or, for out-of-towners, via Zoom.

Our featured tellers this month are the gregarious **Jackson Gillman** and the notorious **Vijai Nathan**.

## ABOUT OUR TELLERS:

### Jackson Gillman

has been dubbed the Stand-Up Chameleon for transforming into a range of engaging characters. He has been featured at the National Storytelling Festival and has been Teller-In-Residence at the International



JACKSON GILLMAN

Storytelling Center. He annually portrays Rudyard-in-Residence at Kipling's historic Vermont home. Song, mime, and sign language might be incorporated into his telling – whatever brings a story to life. Shining through Jackson's wit and versatility is bemused warmth and honesty.

**More at** [jacksongillman.com](http://jacksongillman.com)

*The Grapevine is spoken word performance for adults and teens, celebrating the timeless art of the story, hosted by storytellers **Renée Brachfeld** and **Tim Livengood**.*



VIAI NATHAN

**Vijai Nathan** has made people laugh across America and internationally. She grew up as a “foreigner” in the suburbs of Washington D.C., where she was born. Her material comes from her experience as an Indian girl in America - raising immigrant parents, dating boys with mothers who wished their sons could find a nice blonde girl named “Tiffany,” and the universal quest for love, understanding and a good pair of undies.

**More at** [vijai.comedy.com](http://vijai.comedy.com)

You can **register** FOR FREE at: [fsgw.org/grapevine](http://fsgw.org/grapevine) for access to the live stream or to catch the recorded show later. No registration needed for in-person, you can just show up!

**We ask for donations** to support our tellers, suggested \$20 per person. Donations can be made online before, during, or after the event at [fsgw2.org/grapevine.html](http://fsgw2.org/grapevine.html)

**Info:** [fsgw.org/grapevine](http://fsgw.org/grapevine)

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FSGW CO-SPONSORED CONCERT

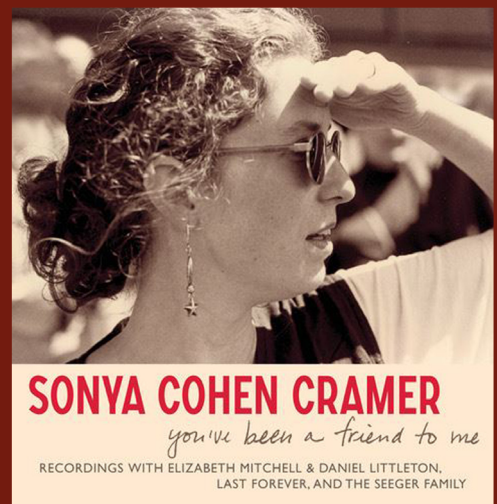
**Elizabeth Mitchell & Daniel Littleton, Dan & Claudia Zanes**

WASHINGTON DC • JUNE 23 • 7 PM

An evening of music and folk songs with  
**Elizabeth Mitchell & Daniel Littleton**  
and **Dan & Claudia Zanes** in celebration  
of the Smithsonian Folkways Release –  
**Sonya Cohen Cramer:**  
*You've Been a Friend to Me*

**Location:** Washington Ethical Society  
7750 16th St. NW, Washington, D.C. 20012

**Info:** Advance tickets: Adults \$20 / at the door: \$25  
For advance ticketing, go to:  
[fsgw.org/concerts](http://fsgw.org/concerts) or [fsgw.org/event-5722342](http://fsgw.org/event-5722342)



**Elizabeth Mitchell** is a singer, songwriter, music educator, and a twice Grammy nominated Smithsonian

Folkways recording artist. Along with her husband **Daniel Littleton**, they were founding members of the band **Ida**, and continue to perform together and with their daughter Storey. Their records on Smithsonian Folkways stand consciously and directly in the tradition of children's music that Folkways has carried for nearly 60 years. In 2013, Elizabeth released *The Sounding Joy*, a collection of folk carols from Ruth Crawford Seeger's 1953 songbook *American Folk Songs for Christmas* that celebrates the spirit of community and homespun traditions, which they practice at their home in the Catskill Mountains of New York.

Grammy Award-winner **Dan Zanes** occupies a unique place in American music – where sea shanties, English music hall, play party songs, the spirit of early rock-n-roll, soul, North American and West Indian folk music collide. He has toured the world sharing handmade 21<sup>st</sup> century social music with enthusiastic crowds of kids and kid sympathizers. **Claudia Zanes** is a Haitian American music therapist / jazz vocalist / music program director. Together they have been making music since the day they met in the fall of 2016. Their love of songs and communal music-making lead to a publishing deal with the Quarto Group USA and the result, an award-winning songbook entitled *Dan Zanes' House Party: A Family Roots Music Treasury*, was released in 2018.

~ Presented by Folklore Society of Greater Washington and the Washington Ethical Society ~



## FSGW ENGLISH COUNTRY DANCE

GLEN ECHO, MD

WEDNESDAYS • 8 – 10:30 PM

The FSGW weekly English Country Dance offers delightful dancing at Glen Echo Town Hall led by talented callers, accompanied by top-notch musicians playing a wide variety of instruments. The crowd is friendly; new dancers are always welcome and can get an informal lesson if they arrive around 7:30. You don't need to bring a partner, or dress up.

Check our web page ([fsgw.org/ecd](http://fsgw.org/ecd)) for the latest information.

### June Lineup:

- 5 **Dan Gillespie** calls to the playing of **David Knight** (fiddle), **Anna Rain** (recorders), and **Melissa Running** (piano)
- 12 **Andrea Nettleton** leads the dancing while **Tina Chancey** (fiddle), **Ralph Gordon** (cello), and **Francine Krasowska** (piano) make the music
- 19 **Kappy Laning** calls to the music of **Mari Carlson** (fiddle), **Paul Oorts** (mandolin and accordion), and **Liz Donaldson** (piano)
- 26 **April Blum** calls while **Becky Ross** (fiddle), **Bruce Edwards** (bassoon), and **Bobby La Rose** (piano) play



June 5 - Dan Gillespie



June 19 - Kappy Laning



June 12 - Andrea Nettleton



June 26 - April Blum

## ■ FSGW STORYTELLING ■

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### FSGW & VITG (VOICES IN THE GLEN)

**MONTHLY STORY SWAP • ONLINE • SATURDAY JUNE 8 • 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](mailto:dorfmanjo@gmail.com);  
[voicesintheglen.org/event/vitg-monthly-story-swap-online-43/](https://voicesintheglen.org/event/vitg-monthly-story-swap-online-43/)

## ■ FSGW DANCES ■

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### 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! Full information will be on the FSGW calendar and FND Facebook page.

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

June ...

**7 Colette Mrozek and Ben Sela** with **Handspring** -  
**Carrie Rose** (flute),  
**Alexander Mitchell**  
(fiddle and mandolin), and  
**Owen Morrison** (guitar)  
[fsgw.org/event-5718604/Registration](https://fsgw.org/event-5718604/Registration)

**14 Virginia Varland with Dan Levenson and the Gina-tones** -  
**Dan Levenson** (fiddle),  
**Gina Faber** (guitar and mandolin),  
**Paul Hammerton** (guitar), and  
**Ralph Gordon** (bass)  
[fsgw.org/event-5718609/Registration](https://fsgw.org/event-5718609/Registration)

## 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.

**21 Penelope Weinberger with Charlie Pilzer** (piano),  
**Zachary Mills**  
(fiddle and foot percussion),  
and **Bobby LaRose** (mandolin)  
[fsgw.org/event-5718613/Registration](https://fsgw.org/event-5718613/Registration)

**28 Greg Frock with Coracree - Allan Carr** (bass), **Jane Rothfield** (fiddle), **Bill Quern** (banjo, mandolin, accordion, and harmonica), and **Sarah Gowan** (guitar)  
[fsgw.org/event-5718618/Registration](https://fsgw.org/event-5718618/Registration)

Please note that all are strongly encouraged to preregister.

### COVID POLICY:

Since June 1, 2023, N95, KN95, KF94 or similar masks are encouraged but not required. We no longer require proof of vaccination.  
[fsgw.org/FSGW-covid19-response](https://fsgw.org/FSGW-covid19-response)

## FSGW CO-SPONSORED

**SILVER SPRING CONTRA DANCE**

**SILVER SPRING MD**

**JUNE 13 • 7 PM LESSON,**

**7:30 PM DANCE**

June ...

**13 Lucia Schaefer with Pinky Pickers** - **Sam Klotz** (banjo), **Noah Klotz** (guitar), and **Max Jacobs** (fiddle)

**Register at:** [fsgw.org/event-5728705/Registration](https://fsgw.org/event-5728705/Registration)

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

A **Dance Basics** session will be presented by **Linda Zebooker** from 6:30 to 6:55 pm. Exercises and demos geared to making Contra Dance safer and more fun for all.

Free introductory lesson 7 to 7:30 pm.  
Dance 7:30 to 9:30 pm.

**Admission:** \$15 general admission.  
\$12 Folklore Society of Greater Washington (FSGW) Members.  
\$5 ages 21 and under and those with limited income.

N95, KN95, KF94 or similar masks are encouraged but not required. We no longer require proof of vaccination.  
[fsgw.org/FSGW-covid19-response](https://fsgw.org/FSGW-covid19-response)

**Info:** [fsgw.org/silver-spring-contra-dance](https://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!

BUMPER CAR PAVILION, GLEN ECHO PARK MD

2ND SUNDAY JUNE 9 • 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! ~*

Info: [fsgw.org/barn-dance](http://fsgw.org/barn-dance)  
[fsgw.org/event-5653940](http://fsgw.org/event-5653940)

## 2nd Sunday Barn Dance!

2ND SUNDAY OF THE MONTH

1-3PM

ALL AGES WELCOME!

**June 9 : Janine Smith**

with **Dan Levenson** (fiddle)

& **Gina Faber** (guitar and mandolin)

1 to 3 pm in the Bumper Car Pavilion  
at Glen Echo Park—FREE!

FSGW CO-SPONSORED

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PRESENT AN EVENING OF

## BALFOLK!

~ DANCES FROM FRANCE ~

TAKOMA PARK MD

WEDNESDAY JUNE 19 • 7:30 PM



Live music from **Trio Mirambel** ~

**Leslie Barr** (fiddle),

**Patrick Michael Brown**  
(accordion),

**Ralph Dubayah**  
(hurdy-gurdy)

*~ All dances taught, no partner needed! ~*

**Join us** at the School of Musical  
Traditions: 7112 Willow Ave.,  
Takoma Park, MD 20912.  
Easy street parking and a few  
blocks from the Takoma Metro.

**Cost:** \$10 cash  
or Venmo at the door

**Info:** [lebalperdu.dc@gmail.com](mailto:lebalperdu.dc@gmail.com)  
[fsgw.org/event-5594741](http://fsgw.org/event-5594741)



**FSGW Co-SPONSORED  
GLEN ECHO INTERNATIONAL  
FOLK DANCERS  
GLEN ECHO MD & ONLINE  
WEDNESDAYS • 7:30 PM**

To register, please provide an email address for possible contact tracing. Masks and vaccinations are urged, but not required. These dances are instruction- oriented from 7:30 to 8:30 pm with open request dancing after 8:30 pm. \$10 at the door. If you wish to attend, please contact Jamie at [dancingplanet@erols.com](mailto: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=QWVyeEc1cm9uWTNqTkwrYTdPWlRrdz09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87152651884?pwd=QWVyeEc1cm9uWTNqTkwrYTdPWlRrdz09)

Meeting ID: 871 5265 1884

Password: 145

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

**For more information:**

please contact Jamie at [dancingplanet@erols.com](mailto:dancingplanet@erols.com) or the website: [dancingplanetproductions.com/folkdance](http://dancingplanetproductions.com/folkdance).

**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](http://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](http://larryweiner.com/FridayDance.htm) or [facebook.com/GreenbeltInternationalFolkDancing/?ref=page\\_internal](https://facebook.com/GreenbeltInternationalFolkDancing/?ref=page_internal)

**FSGW SINGS**

**FSGW OPEN SING • ONLINE  
FRIDAY JUNE 7 • 7:30 PM**

Vince Wilding will be hosting the Online Open Sing on 6/7/24

The theme is:

***Animals: Real & Imaginary***

\*\*\*Only those wishing to sing need to register.\*\*\*

**June Open Sing Registration:**

[bit.ly/June-Online-Open-Sing-Signup](https://bit.ly/June-Online-Open-Sing-Signup)

**June Open Sing Singers' List:**

[bit.ly/June-Open-Sing-Singers-List](https://bit.ly/June-Open-Sing-Singers-List)

Reminder: Registration will be open till Noon EDT on 6/7/24.

Zoom Link will be sent to the Open Sing Mailing List, if you're not a member, sign up at [groups.io/g/FSGWOpenSings](https://groups.io/g/FSGWOpenSings)

**Register at:** [fsgw.org/event-5727305](https://fsgw.org/event-5727305)

**Info:** [Vince@VinceWilding.com](mailto:Vince@VinceWilding.com)

**FSGW SONG CIRCLE  
SILVER SPRING MD AND ONLINE  
SECOND FRIDAY, JUNE 14  
1:30 – 3:30 PM**

The monthly 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.



June 16 is Father's Day and June 19 is Juneteenth, so bring or request your favorite songs about fathers, liberation 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 should read and follow FSGW's **revised** Policy Regarding Respiratory Viruses and In-Person Event Participation at [fsgw.org/FSGW-covid19-response](https://fsgw.org/FSGW-covid19-response).

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 have attended the Schweinhaut Song Circle via Zoom and to others who register at [forms.gle/jr4sRgtmu6VRMBdN8](https://forms.gle/jr4sRgtmu6VRMBdN8) by **Thursday, June 13**. For the latest updates about the Song Circle, see [fsgw.org/event-5725948](https://fsgw.org/event-5725948)

**FSGW OPEN SING**  
**POTOMAC, MD**  
**FRIDAY JUNE 15 • 2 PM**

Thanks to Al Kehs who has volunteered to host in Potomac, MD with a topic of:

***Blues and the Color Blue.***  
2 – 5 pm

**Directions:** Al can be reached for directions on 301-983-0534 (leave message if no answer) or via [kehsra@verizon.net](mailto:kehsra@verizon.net)

**Register at:** [fsgw.org/event-5727308](https://fsgw.org/event-5727308)

**Info:** [Vince@VinceWilding.com](mailto:Vince@VinceWilding.com)

**FSGW GOSPEL SING**  
**TAKOMA PARK MD**  
**SUNDAY JUNE 9 • 4 – 6 PM**

The June 2024 Gospel Sing will take place again in Barbara and Arthur Karpas' Garden of Eden in Takoma Park.

Group singing outside in the garden for two hours, from 4 to 6 pm. (No potluck dinner afterwards this time.) Hymnals provided.

A mask-friendly event — masks are optional but welcome. Everyone is welcome, but be sure you have had the latest COVID booster available and are symptom-free.

**RSVP/directions:** call Barbara at 301-270-4239 (landline; no texts) or email Kathie at [kpmack2@gmail.com](mailto:kpmack2@gmail.com).

**Info:** [fsgw.org/gospel-sings](https://fsgw.org/gospel-sings)

**BUMPER CAR SQUARES**



**Come dance with us!**

**BUMPER CAR SQUARES**  
**GLEN ECHO, MD • SATURDAY**  
**JUNE 1 • 7:30 – 10:30 PM,**  
**NEW DANCER INTRO SESSION 7 PM**

*Square Dance in the Bumper Car Pavilion at Glen Echo Park!*

Join us for square dancing in the Bumper Car Pavilion! After a lesson for all skill levels, a dance caller will lead a rousing square dance along with live music!

No partner or special attire required. Shoes with backs are recommended (no flip flops).

**Admission:** \$15/adult, \$5/teen, FREE for ages 12 and under. Cash, Check, and Credit Card accepted at the door.

**Info:** [glenechopark.org/dances](https://glenechopark.org/dances)  
[info@glenechopark.org](mailto:info@glenechopark.org)  
or 301-634-2222

For **more details**, please visit:  
[glenechopark.org/events-calendar/event-detail/4072](https://glenechopark.org/events-calendar/event-detail/4072)

Brought to you by Glen Echo Park Partnership for Arts and Culture

**SWING DANCE • GLEN ECHO MD**  
**JUNE 1, 8, 29 • 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. Advance ticket sales end at 12 noon on the day of the dance. All ticket sales are final; no refunds or credits.

**Register at:**

[Gottaswing.com/calendar](http://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](http://gottaswing.com/calendar)

**June . . .** (in the Ballroom)

- 1 **Craig Gildner All Stars**
- 8 Battle of the Bands  
**Rock-a-Sonics vs. Natty Beaux**
- 29 **Good Shot Judy**

**AFTERNOON WALTZ**  
**GLEN ECHO MD**

**JUNE 2, 9, & 23 • 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](http://WaltzTimeDances.org)  
or 301-634-2222

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

**June . . .**

- 2 **Handspring** with  
**Owen Morrison** (guitar, piano),  
**Carrie Rose** (flute),  
**Alexander Mitchell**  
(fiddle, mandolin, vocals)
- 9 **Go Figure** with  
**Mike Dunn** (fiddle),  
**Suzanne Hosch** (flute),  
**Janet Muse** (piano)
- 23 **Karen Collins & The Backroads Band** with  
**Karen Collins**  
(vocals, rhythm guitar),  
**Ira Gitlin** (lead guitar, vocals),  
**Pat Puglisi** (vocals, drums),  
**James Key** (upright bass)

**BFMS CONTRA (BALTIMORE FOLK MUSIC SOCIETY) • BALTIMORE MD**  
**FIRST AND THIRD WEDNESDAYS:**  
**JUNE 5 & 19 • 8 – 10:30 PM**

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

**Location:** 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](http://bfms.org)

**June . . .**

- 5 **Caroline Barnes** calls to  
**Contra Intuitive -**  
**Peggy Kaiser** (piano),  
**Ryck Kaiser** (fiddle),  
and special guest  
**Dan Levenson** (fiddle, banjo)
- 19 **Ben Sela and Rebecca Anger** call  
to music by **Charlie Pilzer** (piano)  
and **Zachary Mills** (fiddle)

**BFMS ENGLISH COUNTRY DANCE**  
**(BALTIMORE FOLK MUSIC SOCIETY)**  
**BALTIMORE MD**  
**2ND AND 4TH MONDAYS**  
**8 – 10:30 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](http://bfms.org), vax/mask required.

**Location:** Church of the Nativity  
and Holy Comforter  
6112 York Rd., 21212  
[bfms.org/directionsToChurchoftheNativity.php](http://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,  
[engdance@bfms.org](mailto:engdance@bfms.org) or  
[aefallon@verizon.net](mailto:aefallon@verizon.net)

**June . . .**

- 10 **Diane Schmit** will call dances  
to the music of  
**Jeff Steinberg** (violin),  
**Janina O'Brien** (piano), and  
**Ralph Barthine** (guitar).

**SMTMD CONTRA DANCE  
CHAPTICO MD  
SATURDAY JUNE 8 • 7 PM**

2nd Saturday of the month\*

**located at:**

Christ Church Parish Hall  
37497 Zach Fowler Rd.  
Chaptico, MD 20621

The evening starts at 7 pm with a half hour beginner's dance workshop followed by live music performed by the SOMD Open Band and dancing from 7:30 to 10 pm.

Check the website calendar ([smtmd.org/new-events](http://smtmd.org/new-events)) for the lineup of dances and callers!

**Admission** is \$12 for non-SMTMD members; \$8 for members. Children 17 and under, when accompanied by an adult, and band members are free.

**Info:** [smtmd2@gmail.com](mailto:smtmd2@gmail.com) or [smtmd.org/#/dances](http://smtmd.org/#/dances)

*\*Rescheduled or cancelled events will be posted online*



**24 Ann Fallon** will lead the dancing while **Susan Brandt** (flute), **Tom Wright** (mandolin), and **Charlie Pilzer** (piano) make the music.

**BFMS (BALTIMORE FOLK MUSIC SOCIETY) • BALTIMORE, MD  
SATURDAY JUNE 8 • 8 – 10:30 PM  
(7:30 PM DANCE LESSON)  
BFMS 2ND SATURDAY ENGLISH COUNTRY & CONTRA DANCE**

**June . . .**

**8 Steve Gester** calling to **Renee Mendenhall** (accordion), **Janina O'Brien** (keyboard), and **Steven Epstein** (clarinet and sax)

Potluck snacks at the break.

**Online payment only.**

Pre-payment is encouraged.  
[bfms.org/secondsatpay.php](http://bfms.org/secondsatpay.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. People under 21 and students with ID: free

**THE LEESBURG ASSEMBLY  
ENGLISH COUNTRY DANCE  
HERNDON VA**

**SATURDAY JUNE 8 • 6:30 PM**

**June is our  
SUMMER BALL!**

**Corky Palmer** will call to music by **Catherine Chapman**, **Diane Sorenson**, and **Jeff Steinberg**.

Please consider bringing a refreshment to share.

**Attendance:** \$10; Students \$5

**Location:** Herndon Senior Center  
873 Grace St.  
Herndon, VA 20170

**Info:** Laurel Bybell (Secretary)  
[lbybell@gmail.com](mailto:lbybell@gmail.com)  
703-791-5603 or  
[theleesburgassembly.org](http://theleesburgassembly.org)

**MID-ATLANTIC NORWEGIAN  
DANCERS • SILVER SPRING MD  
SATURDAY, JUNE 15  
6:30 PM DOORS/POTLUCK;  
7:30 PM MUSIC FOR DANCE**

Norwegian-style cozy house party. **Laura Hummel** and **Loretta Kelley** plus other guest musicians will play Swedish and Norwegian tunes for dancing on exotic instruments with sympathetic strings. Laura will be showcasing the results of her year-long study with Loretta under a Maryland State Arts Council ([MSAC.org](http://MSAC.org)) Maryland Traditions Folklife Apprenticeship grant, and this event is supported in part by MSAC.

Beginners, singles/couples, watchers/listeners all welcome.

Please bring food to share and clean shoes to wear. Donations gratefully accepted.

**Location:** At Stephen & Phyllis' place (no pets); if you need address ask [phillsdrrck@gmail.com](mailto:phillsdrrck@gmail.com).

**Info:** [MAND.fanitull.org](http://MAND.fanitull.org)



# Sunday Afternoon Dancing Planet Contra Dances

**\$15**

**Lesson 2:30pm**  
**Dance 3-6pm**

**Glen Echo Park  
Bumper Car Pavilion**

**June 16**

Alex Mitchell,  
Luke Chohany,  
Ralph Gordon  
with caller  
Michael Karcher

**July 28**

Playing with Fyre  
with caller  
Timothy Klein

**August 25**

High Drive  
(Dave Wiesler,  
David Knight,  
Paul Oorts)  
with Scott Higgs

**Sept. 15**

Starling  
with  
Mary Wesley

**Oct. 27**

Froghammer  
with  
Caroline Barnes

**Nov. 24**

Waverly  
Station

<https://dancingplanetproductions.com/contra/>

## SUNDAY AFTERNOON DANCING PLANET CONTRA DANCE

**GLEN ECHO MD • SUNDAY, JUNE 16**

**3 – 6 PM, INTRO LESSON 2:30 PM**

*Contras & Squares*

*in the Bumper Car Pavilion at Glen Echo Park, MD*

**June 16 . . .**

Michael Karcher (caller)  
Alexander Mitchell  
(fiddle, mandolin)  
Ralph Gordon (bass)  
Luke Chohany (guitar)

You know Alexander and Ralph from the hundreds of dances they have played at Glen Echo. Luke comes highly regarded and recommended.

Three great musicians backing up a wonderful caller. Michael has been calling all around the US to rave reviews. This will be an exciting afternoon of dancing.

**Cost:** \$15 cash or Venmo at the door, no cards

**Info:** [dancingplanetproductions.com/](https://dancingplanetproductions.com/contra)  
[contra](https://dancingplanetproductions.com/contra)

## FUTURE DATES IN 2024

**July 28:**

*Playing with Fyre*  
with Timothy Klein

**August 25:**

*High Drive* (Dave Wiesler,  
David Knight, & Paul Oorts)  
with Scott Higgs

**September 15:**

*Starling* with Mary Wesley

**October 27:**

*Froghammer*  
with Caroline Barnes

**November 24:**

*Waverley Station* - caller TBA



**ANNAPOLIS ENGLISH COUNTRY  
DANCE • ANNAPOLIS MD  
SATURDAY JUNE 15 • 7 – 9:30 PM  
(INTRO LESSON: 6:30 PM)**

**April Blum** calls to the music of  
**Susan Brandt** (flute),  
**Janina O'Brien** (piano)  
and **Tom Wright**  
(10-string-mandolin).

Face masks optional. Attendance is not capped; however, pre-registration is very helpful to us, thanks! Email [aefallon@verizon.net](mailto:aefallon@verizon.net) to pre-register. Venue has windows and fans for circulation and ventilation.

No experience or partner required.  
\$15; students-\$5; children through 5 years old-free.

**Location:**

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

**Info:** Jan Scopel, 443-540-0867,  
[janscope@hotmail.com](mailto:janscope@hotmail.com)  
or Ann Fallon, 410-507-0934,  
[aefallon@verizon.net](mailto:aefallon@verizon.net)  
[facebook.com/profile.php?id=100057517095183](https://facebook.com/profile.php?id=100057517095183)

**JUST IN TIME PERCUSSIVE DANCERS  
SILVER SPRING MD  
SUNDAYS OR MONDAYS • 4 PM**

We are a performing dance company in the DC Metro area, specializing in Appalachian, Canadian, English and Irish step dance. We are recruiting new adult members!

Weekly rehearsals on Sundays or Mondays.

**For more information:**

[justintimesteppers@gmail.com](mailto:justintimesteppers@gmail.com)

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

The Nordic Dancers will be on hiatus until September.

**Info:** Chris Kalke, 301-864-1596,  
[ckalke@verizon.net](mailto:ckalke@verizon.net)  
[sites.google.com/site/nordicdancersdc](https://sites.google.com/site/nordicdancersdc)

**BETHESDA INTERNATIONAL FOLK  
DANCE GROUP  
THURSDAYS • 7 – 8:45 PM**

The BIFDG meets at the Lawton Center. Join our friendly dancers for dances from around the world.

**Location:** Jane E. Lawton  
Community Center  
4301 Willow Ln.  
Bethesda, MD 20815  
(convenient to Bethesda Metro)

**Info:** Carl Minkus  
[cminkus@verizon.net](mailto:cminkus@verizon.net)  
301-493-6281  
for info on our First Time Free policy and subscription policy (can't accept money on premises).

Masks are optional.

Some wear N95/KN95 masks.

**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](https://danceintime.com/classes)

**Questions:** [Barb@DanceInTime.com](mailto:Barb@DanceInTime.com)  
or call Barb: 443-773-2623

**DANCEINTIME CUBAN SALSA CLASS**



| SUNDAY   | MONDAY                             | TUESDAY  | WEDNESDAY  | THURSDAY  | FRIDAY   | SATURDAY   |
|--|------------------------------------|--|--|---|--|--|
| Noon Every Day!<br>Carpe Diem Arts Daily Antidote of Song  |                                    |  |  |   |  | 1<br>11 Foggy Bottom Morris<br>7:30 MAND Potluck & Dance<br>8 Swing Dance Glen Echo  |
| 2<br>9 Deer Creek Fiddlers Convention<br>1 Old-Time Jam at Frying Pan Park<br>2:45 Waltz at Glen Echo  | 3                                  | 4<br>7 Baltimore Jam<br>7 Herndon Gospel Jam Sing<br>7 Takoma Park Spark<br>7:30 Takoma Mandoleers<br>8 FSGW Board Meeting | 5<br>7 Westminster OT Jam<br>7:30 Glen Echo International<br>7:30 Rock Creek Morris Women<br>8 FSGW English Country Dance w/ Dan Gillespie<br>8 BFMS Contra Dance                              | 6<br>7 Bethesda Folk Dance<br>8 Ship's Company Chantey Sing                     | 7<br>6 Spring Harmony Online<br>7 FSGW Open Sing<br>7:30 Greenbelt Int'l Folk Dance<br>7:30 FSGW Open Sing<br>8 FSGW & FND Contra w/ Handspring  | 8 Newsletter Deadline!<br>11 Foggy Bottom Morris<br>2:30 Washington Spelmanslag<br>6:30 Leesburg ECD Ball<br>7 Chaptico Contra Dance<br>7:30 FSGW & VITG Story Swap<br>8 BFMS Dance<br>8 Swing Dance Glen Echo |
| 9<br>1 FSGW Barn Dance w/ Dan Levinson & Gina Faber<br>1 Cider Trad Jam<br>2 CABOMA Jam<br>2 Warrenton Bluegrass Jam<br>2:45 Waltz at Glen Echo<br>4 FSGW Gospel Sing        | 10<br>8 BFMS English Country Dance | 11<br>7 Baltimore Jam<br>7 Takoma Park Spark<br>7 Herndon Gospel Jam<br>7:30 BFMS live Song Swap<br>7:30 Takoma Mandoleers | 12<br>7:30 FSGW Grapevine Storytelling<br>7:30 Glen Echo International<br>8 FSGW English Country Dance w/ Andrea Nettleton<br>8 Ship's Company Chantey Sing                                    | 13<br>7 FSGW Silver Spring Contra w/ The Pinky Pickers<br>7 Bethesda Folk Dance | 14<br>1:30 FSGW Song Circle<br>4 Henry Reed Old Time Fiddlers Convention<br>7 SMTMD Concert<br>7:30 Greenbelt Int'l Folk Dance<br>8 FSGW & FND Contra w/ Dan Levenson and the Gina-tones | 15<br>9 Henry Reed Old Time Fiddlers Convention<br>11 Foggy Bottom Morris<br>2 FSGW In-Person Open Sing<br>6:30 MAND Potluck/Dance<br>7 Annapolis ECD<br>7:30 Washington Balalaika Concert                     |
| 16<br>3 Washington Balalaika Society Concert<br>3 Dancing Planet Contra Dance  | 17<br>7 BFMS Song Swap Online      | 18<br>7 Baltimore Jam<br>7 Takoma Park Spark<br>7:30 Takoma Mandoleers   | 19<br>7 Capital Shapenote Singing<br>7:30 FSGW Bal Folk Dance<br>7:30 Glen Echo International<br>7:30 FSGW Old Time Jam<br>8 FSGW English Country Dance w/ Kappy Laning<br>8 BFMS Contra Dance | 20<br>7 Bethesda Folk Dance<br>8 Wheaton Folk Sing-In                           | 21<br>4 Redwing Roots Festival<br>7:30 Greenbelt Int'l Folk Dance<br>8 FSGW & FND Contra w/ Pilzer, Mills, & Larose  | 22<br>9 Redwing Roots Festival<br>11 Foggy Bottom Morris<br>2:30 Washington Spelmanslag<br>7 Annapolis Contra Dance<br>8 Swing Dance Glen Echo   |
| 23<br>9 Redwing Roots Festival<br>1 Monkton Manor Old Time Jam<br>2 CABOMA Jam<br>2 Ship's Company Chantey Sing<br>2:45 Waltz at Glen Echo<br>7 Mitchell & Littleton Concert | 24<br>8 BFMS English Country Dance | 25<br>7 Baltimore Jam<br>7 Takoma Park Spark<br>7:30 Takoma Mandoleers   | 26<br>7:30 Glen Echo International<br>8 FSGW English Country Dance w/ April Blum   | 27<br>7 Bethesda Folk Dance   | 29<br>7 SMTMD Homespun Open Mic<br>7:30 Greenbelt Int'l Folk Dance<br>8 FSGW & FND Contra w/ Coracree  | 29   |
| 30   |                                    |  |  |   |  |  |

## 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](http://carpediemarts.org/daily-antidote-of-song)

### **THE FRYING PAN OLD-TIME JAM** **FAIRFAX VA • SUNDAY JUNE 2 • 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.

### **BLUEGRASS/OLD-TIME, CELTIC, BLUES/FOLK JAMS** **WESTMINSTER MD** **WEDNESDAY JUNE 5 • 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.

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

First Wednesday of every month,  
7 to 9 pm.

### **BFMS SONG SWAP • BALTIMORE MD** **TUESDAY JUNE 11 • 7:30 PM**

**BFMS live song circle:** We are **once a month every 2nd Tuesday**.

Bring a favorite folk-genre song or two to share with our community of singers. Chorus songs or repeated refrains are encouraged. You can lead a song, sing along, hum, listen, or add some accompaniment. No mic, no pressure, no performance. Just singing together in a friendly, supportive space! Free (pass-the-hat goodwill donation welcome).

**Location:** 4 Hour a Day Lutherie  
in Lauraville  
4305 Harford Rd.  
Baltimore, MD 21214

**Info:** [bfms.org/songswap.php](http://bfms.org/songswap.php)

### **TOUCHED BY SONG GOSPEL JAM** **HERNDON VA** **TUESDAY JUNE 11 • 7 – 9 PM**

**New time:** 2<sup>nd</sup> 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.

### **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.

**Info:** Catherine Chapman  
240-461-9244  
[washingtonsspelmanslag.com](http://washingtonsspelmanslag.com)  
[facebook.com/washingtonsspelmanslag](https://www.facebook.com/washingtonsspelmanslag)

### **WARRENTON BLUEGRASS JAM** **WARRENTON VA** **SUNDAY JUNE 9 • 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 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 St. 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](mailto:wattman52@gmail.com)

**CIDER TRADJAM • ALEXANDRIA VA**  
**SUNDAY JUNE 9 • 1 – 4 PM**

An afternoon of English, Irish, Scandi, French and American tunes at Lost Boy Cider. All (acoustic) instruments, all levels: just great jamming and great cider.

**Free Location:** Lost Boy Cider  
317 Hooffs Run Dr.  
Alexandria, 22314

**Info:** [concertinist@gmail.com](mailto:concertinist@gmail.com)

**CABOMA JAM • ARLINGTON VA**  
**JUNE 9 & 23 • 2 PM**

CABOMA's jams are regularly on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> 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](http://caboma.org)

**WASHINGTON BALALAIKA SOCIETY**  
**ORCHESTRA SPRING CONCERTS**  
**ROMA RHAPSODY • TYSONS VA**  
**JUNE 15 • 7:30 PM**

**Location:** Capital One Hall  
7750 Capital One Tower Drive  
Tysons VA 22102

**Tickets:** Adults: \$35;  
Seniors/Military: \$30;  
Students: \$15;  
Children 12 & under, \$5.  
To purchase tickets, go to  
[balalaika.org](http://balalaika.org)

**WASHINGTON BALALAIKA SOCIETY**  
**ORCHESTRA SPRING CONCERTS**  
**ROMA RHAPSODY • BETHESDA MD**  
**JUNE 16 • 3 PM**

**Location:** Bradley Hills Presbyterian  
Church  
6601 Bradley Blvd.  
Bethesda, MD 20817

**Tickets:** Adults: \$35;  
Seniors/Military: \$30;  
Students: \$15;  
Children 12 & under, \$5.  
To purchase tickets, go to  
[balalaika.org](http://balalaika.org)

**FSGW CO-SPONSORED**  
**TAKOMA OLD-TIME JAM**  
**TAKOMA PARK MD • WEDNESDAY**  
**JUNE 19 • 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 - 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 who is generously hosting us!

**Our location** has been Busboys and Poets, subject to change  
235 Carroll St NW  
Washington, DC 20012

—**Watch for updates on our location.**

**Info:** [fsgw.org/Takoma-Park-Old-Time-Jam](http://fsgw.org/Takoma-Park-Old-Time-Jam)

**CAPITOL HILL SHAPE NOTE SINGING**  
**WASHINGTON DC**  
**WEDNESDAY JUNE 19 • 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.

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

**Info:** [dcshapenote.squarespace.com](http://dcshapenote.squarespace.com)  
[silvermanalexa@gmail.com](mailto:silvermanalexa@gmail.com)

**MANOR MILL OLD TIME JAM**  
**MONKTON MD**  
**SUNDAY JUNE 23 • 1 – 4 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](mailto:otj@manor-mill.com)

**Info:** [manor-mill.com/otj](http://manor-mill.com/otj)

**BFMS SONG SWAP • ONLINE**  
**MONDAY JUNE 17 • 7:30 PM**

**BFMS Zoom Song Swap:** The Song Swap is a place for folks to come together and share songs, community, and keep the live singing tradition thriving.

While we have been getting together on zoom, the BFMS songswap has become transcontinental and international with participants from west, farther west, and north and northwest



across the border. You can drop in on the zoom and meet (and hear / sing with) some nice folks we're not likely to meet in person!

**Info:** [bfms.org/songswap.php](https://bfms.org/songswap.php)

Check the link at our facebook page:  
[facebook.com/groups/618331624855775?sorting\\_setting=RECENT\\_ACTIVITY](https://facebook.com/groups/618331624855775?sorting_setting=RECENT_ACTIVITY)



**SMTMD HOMESPUN  
COFFEEHOUSE - OPEN MIC  
CHAPTICO MD  
FRIDAY, JUNE 28 • 7 PM**

4th Friday of the month\*  
September through June

Acoustic musicians of all skill levels are warmly welcomed to perform their favorite tunes. Doors open at 7 pm with performances beginning promptly at 7:30 pm. Admission is \$8; performers are admitted free of charge. Contact Chris Dudley in advance ([ccdudley@rocketmail.com](mailto:ccdudley@rocketmail.com)) to sign up as a performer.

**Location:** Christ Church Parish Hall  
37497 Zach Fowler Rd.  
Chaptico, MD 20621

**Info:** [smtmd2@gmail.com](mailto:smtmd2@gmail.com)  
[smtmd.org/#/open-mic-night/](https://smtmd.org/#/open-mic-night/)

*\*Rescheduled or cancelled events will be posted online*

**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 Chevy Chase MD. We are always seeking new members. No familiarity with Eastern European music required.

**Info:** Diane, 202-274-4155  
[orfeivocalensemble@gmail.com](mailto:orfeivocalensemble@gmail.com)  
[orfeia.org](https://orfeia.org)  
[facebook.com/orfeiamusic](https://facebook.com/orfeiamusic)

**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](https://Mandoleers.org/contact)

**BLUEGRASS AND OLD TIME JAM  
BALTIMORE MD  
TUESDAYS • 8 PM**

Howdy folks! We're moving to the Green Room which is an event space below the Bluebird Cocktail Room on Hickory Ave just off The Avenue. The Green Room is a gorgeous space with wonderful acoustics, a cozy vibe, plenty of room for the jammers and viewers, great drinks of all sorts (beer, wine, cocktails, non-alcoholic options) and awesome food. We hope this becomes the long-term home for the jam.

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:** The Green Room  
3600 Hickory Ave.  
Baltimore, MD 21218

**Info:** [facebook.com/groups/569707316420150](https://facebook.com/groups/569707316420150)

## **TAKOMA OPEN SPARK**

### **TAKOMA PARK MD**

**ONGOING TUESDAYS • 7 PM**

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.

7 pm | 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](mailto:publicity@imtfolk.org) or  
[imtfolk.org](http://imtfolk.org)

## **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.

**Location:** Faith Lutheran Church  
3313 Arlington Blvd.  
Arlington, VA 22201

**Info:** [balalaika@balalaika.org](mailto:balalaika@balalaika.org) or  
[balalaika.org](http://balalaika.org)

Message us on Facebook for details.

## **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 21231)  
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 21163

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](mailto:blgraham_99@yahoo.com)

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## **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.

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

**Info:** Jud McIntire,  
[squire@fbmm.org](mailto:squire@fbmm.org)  
Nat Brown,  
[foreman@fbmm.org](mailto:foreman@fbmm.org)

## **ROCK CREEK MORRIS WOMEN TAKOMA PARK MD**

**WEDNESDAYS • 7:30 – 9:15 PM**

Learn English morris dancing and  
become part of a community that  
dances, sings, and socializes  
together. No dance experience  
necessary! Email if interested.

**Location:**

Takoma Park Middle School

**Info:** [rockcreekmorriswomen](mailto:rockcreekmorriswomen@gmail.com)  
[@gmail.com](mailto:rockcreekmorriswomen@gmail.com) and [rockcreek](http://rockcreekmorriswomen.weebly.com)  
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## 53rd Deer Creek Fiddlers' Convention

CARROLL COUNTY MD • JUNE 2 • 9 AM

Come enjoy Band & Individual Competitions, Southern Appalachian Clog Dancing Competition and more!, this year returning to the Carroll County Farm Museum

*Featuring:*

**Danny Paisley and the Southern Grass** in Concert

6 pm performance to follow the competition

### PURCHASE TICKETS AND REGISTER AT THE GATE!

#### 2024 Ticket Prices:

All Contestants (Youth and Adult): \$15

Non-Contestants age 13 and over: \$20

Non-Contestant Children 12 and under: FREE

Registration opens at 9 am. Competition begins at 10:30 am.

**Info:** [commongroundonthehill.org/festival/deer-creek-fiddlers-convention](http://commongroundonthehill.org/festival/deer-creek-fiddlers-convention)

A Maryland tradition since 1972, the convention returns to the Carroll County Farm Museum in Westminster, Maryland.

The event consists of competition in a wide variety of traditional roots-based categories including instrumental and vocal music, Southern Appalachian clog dancing, youth categories and more. prizes are awarded in all categories to include musical instruments and scholarships to Common Ground on the Hill traditions weeks.

The day concludes with a performance by beloved bluegrass band

**Danny Paisley & The Southern Grass!**

*Presented by Common Ground Downtown,  
a partnership of Common Ground on the Hill and the Carroll County Arts Council.*

## 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."

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**30<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY**

**TINNER HILL MUSIC FESTIVAL**

**JUNE 8, 2024**

**Falls Church City, VA**

**Cherry Hill Park**

**11am - 8pm**

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**The Blackbyrds**

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**See-I Band • JoGo Project • Ms. Niki's Music Class**

**Dance Party: DJs Bill Johnson & Beverly Lindsay-Johnson**

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Net proceeds benefit Tinner Hill Heritage Foundation a registered 501(c)(3) nonprofit corporation.

## Henry Reed Memorial Fiddlers' Convention

**GLEN LYN VA • JUNE 14 – 15 • ALL DAY**

Howdy all, we're back ... This year's **Henry Reed Memorial Celebration** will be June 14 – 15 at [Kairos Wilderness Resort](https://www.kairosresort.com/) ([facebook.com/KairosResort](https://facebook.com/KairosResort)) in Glen Lyn.

It will be done like the previous 2 years, a weekend celebration of music & fellowship up on the mountain. Spread the word, there's lots of space for camping (& we'll have plenty of burgers & dogs to burn on the grill).

NEWS FLASH: The river road is now paved!!!  
No more bumpy-bumpy road to get there.  
We got your back 😊

## Red Wing Roots Music Festival • MT. SOLON VA

**JUNE 21 – 23 • ALL DAY**

Red Wing Roots Music Festival announced the full line of bands that will perform at the 11th annual music festival at Natural Chimneys Park, in Mount Solon, VA, June 21 – 23.

Along with festival hosts, [The Steel Wheels](https://thesteelwheels.com) ([thesteelwheels.com](https://thesteelwheels.com)), Red Wing organizers are thrilled to announce this outstanding line up of regionally and nationally-acclaimed musicians for the annual 3-day festival located in the beautiful Shenandoah Valley. With fifty artists performing across five stages, it is sure to be an amazing weekend of music.

**Info:** Michael Weaver, 540-820-7847



## Common Ground on the Hill Seeking Volunteers

*Volunteering at Common Ground on the Hill is a great way to have some fun, get to know our community, and earn free classes while helping out!*

We are looking for volunteers to assist in positions as varied as:

- Box Office (Deer Creek Fiddlers Convention on June 2, Roots Music & Arts Festival on July 13)
- Checking in Traditions Week participants
- Managing art sales in Rice Gallery during Traditions Weeks and the Roots Music & Arts Festival

- Helping set up for the Deer Creek Fiddlers Convention and the Roots Music & Arts Festival
- Being a general runner
- Assisting in Hospitality during Traditions Weeks
- Assisting in Performer Hospitality and Instrument Check for camp participants during the Roots Music & Arts Festival

**Questions?** Click below OR email [cgothvolunteers@yahoo.com](mailto:cgothvolunteers@yahoo.com)  
[commongroundonthehill.org/experience/volunteer](http://commongroundonthehill.org/experience/volunteer)

## Takoma Park Folk Festival

**TAKOMA PARK MD • SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 8 • 10:30 AM – 6:30 PM**

Be a part of the **45<sup>th</sup> Takoma Park Folk Festival**  
 on Sunday, September 8, at the Takoma Park Middle School.



We are seeking musicians of all genres from Maryland, Virginia, Delaware, Pennsylvania and Washington, DC.

The Festival will have 6 stages and more than 40 performances, with each individual performer or group allowed one 45- to 50-minute set.

The application deadline is June 1 (unless extended).

We are seeking craft artisans who design, execute, and sell their own work. The application deadline is June 15.

**Information and application forms** are at  
[TPFF.org/participate](http://TPFF.org/participate).

**TPFF is run entirely by volunteers**, and we need your help! Find out more at [TPFF.org/volunteering](http://TPFF.org/volunteering).

We are seeking non-profit organizations to provide information, advocate for causes, recruit members, or sell organizational merchandise.

We are seeking food vendors to provide full meals, snacks, or drinks.

## FSGW POLICY REGARDING RESPIRATORY VIRUSES AND IN- PERSON EVENT PARTICIPATION

FSGW's goal is to keep in-person event participants healthy and safe. FSGW requests that participants approach attendance at in-person events from a "community care" perspective, including respecting the personal choice to mask/not mask. Each of us plays an essential role in keeping the community healthy so thank you for your collaboration! A current version is posted on our website at [fsgw.org/FSGW-covid19-response](https://fsgw.org/FSGW-covid19-response)

Charlie Pilzer, FSGW President

## FSGW BOARD MEETING (ONLINE) TUESDAY JUNE 4 • 8 PM

Monthly FSGW Board meetings are all electronic via Zoom. Meetings are open to all FSGW members; contact [president@fsgw.org](mailto:president@fsgw.org) or [webmaster@fsgw.org](mailto: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](mailto:president@fsgw.org) at least two days in advance of the scheduled meeting.

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**Lucia Schaefer**

## 2024-2025 FSGW BOARD

There were no candidates for the positions of Membership Chair and Program Chair. If you are interested in volunteering for these positions, please contact FSGW President Charlie Pilzer at [president@fsgw.org](mailto:president@fsgw.org).

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