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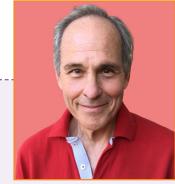


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Our featured tellers this month are the fierce Gerald Fierst and the libertine Howard Lieberman!



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.

#### **Gerald Fierst**

is an actor, storyteller and author who has worked internationally in film, television, and

theater. He worked closely with Dr. Yaffa Eliach and adapted her award-winning collection of oral histories, Hasidic Tales of the Holocaust into the musical play Dancing With Miracles. He has received two Parents' Choice Awards for recordings of world folktales. More about Gerry

**Register** for access to the live stream or to catch the recorded show later. No registration needed for in-person participation; you can just show up!

#### We ask for donations

to support our tellers; suggested contribution is \$20 per person. Donations can be made online before, during or after the event.

#### Howard Lieberman,

poet, storyteller and performance artist, has done everything on stage except sing. He has been regarded as the finest Jewish traditional Irish Ceili dancer in Manhattan. His tap dancer father and math teacher mother partially

explains his wild mood swings. Howard now lives in bucolic Republican Stillwater, Minnesota with a New York accent and a jaded sense of humor. More about Howard

> Location: Busboys & Poets: 235 Carroll St. NW, Washington DC

Info: fsgw.org/grapevine

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#### **FSGW** Co-sponsored Concerts

#### Seán Gavin & Josh Dukes Alexandria VA Thu. Jan 16 • 7 – 9 pm

A master of the uilleann pipes, Irish flute, and tin whistle, **Seán Gavin** is one of the most highly regarded performers and teachers of traditional Irish music. He is the first musician born outside Ireland to win the prestigious Seán Ó Riada Gold medal. A multi-instrumentalist whose talents embrace the ceili drums, guitar, bouzouki, bodhran, flute and tin whistle, **Josh Dukes** has established a reputation for providing sensitive, tasteful support for traditional Irish music.

Admission: Adults: \$25,

Children 12-17: \$12, Pay-whatyou-wish: \$15 or more

#### Info / Location:

<u>History Museum at the Lyceum</u> 201 South Washington St.

#### FSGW & VITG (Voices in the Glen) Monthly Story Swap • Online Sat. Jan. 11 • 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, <u>website</u>

## Scottish Fiddle House Concert with Mari Black and her acoustic trio Scottish Fire Silver Spring MD • Fri. Jan. 25 • 7:30 pm



Multistyle violinist and world champion Celtic fiddler **Mari Black** presents a dynamic musical journey through the highlands and islands of Scotland, and the many other places this music has travelled over time! You'll be tapping your toes and jumping up to dance in the

aisles as Mari spins together a musical adventure of driving reels, mighty strathspeys, haunting slow airs, lilting jigs, stately marches, and the magical stories behind them—all celebrating tradition and exploring possibility in the Scottish style.

#### Suggested donation: \$20 to \$35/person

Reservations: phllsdrrck@gmail.com



#### Takoma Park Old-Time Jam • 3rd Wed. Jan. 15 • 7:30 – 9:45 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!

<u>Our location</u> has been Busboys and Poets, subject to change 235 Carroll St. NW, Washington DC <u>—Watch for updates on our location.</u>

Info: fsgw.org/Takoma-Park-Old-Time-Jam Jonathan Vocke ∫ 5 g ₩

# FSGW DANCES

# **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.

Latest info: fsgw.org/ecd



January 1 - Louise Siddons

January 8 - Kappy Laning



January 15 - Dan Gillespie



January 22 - Anna Rain



January 29 - April Blum

#### January lineup ...

- Louise Siddons (guest caller from the UK) calls to the playing of Linda Game (guest fiddler from UK), Ellen Gira (cello) and Melissa Running (piano)
- Kappy Laning leads the dancing while Tina Chancey (fiddle),
   Carrie Rose (flute) and
   Liz Donaldson (piano)
   make the music
- **15 Dan Gillespie** calls while **Becky Ross** (fiddle), **Colleen Reed** (flute) and **Neil Epstein** (piano) play the tunes
- 22 Anna Rain calls to the music of Jeff Steinberg (fiddle), Elisabeth Epstein (flute) and Bobby LaRose (piano)
- 29 April Blum leads the dancing while David Knight (fiddle),
   Tom Wright (10-string mandolin) and Liz Donaldson (piano) play

# FSGW DANCES

#### FRIDAY NIGHT CONTRA DANCE

The Friday Night Contra Dance is now hosted solely by Friday Night Dances, Inc. The schedule for these dances can be found on the Open Dances page of this newsletter. For further information and to purchase tickets, go to <u>Fridaynightdance.com</u>.

#### FSGW CO-SPONSORED Silver Spring Contra Dance Silver Spring MD • Thu. Jan. 9 7:30 – 9:30 pm (7 pm lesson)

Gabe Popkin calling to the music of Waverly Station (David Knight, Ralph Gordon and Liz Donaldson)

Register at: fsgw.org/event-5965538

Location: The Spring Room, Silver Spring Civic Building 8525 Fenton St.

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

# FSGW BARN DANCE!

Ballroom Annex, Glen Echo MD 2nd Sunday January 12 • 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



ND SUNDAY OF THE MONTH 1-3PM ALL AGES WELCOME!

#### January 12 :

Kappy Laning calling to the music of Liz Donaldson (piano) & Emily Aubry (fiddle)

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!

Admission: FREE! Info: fsgw.org/barn-dance / fsgw.org/event-5965532

#### Admission:

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

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Info: fsgw.org/ silver-spring-contra-dance FSGW Co-SPONSORED Glen Echo International Folk Dancers Glen Echo MD & Online Wednesdays except January 1 7:30 pm

Special event Jan. 8:

Annual Chocolate Dance!

To register, please provide an email address for possible contact tracing.

Masks and vaccinations are urged, but not required.

These dances are instructionoriented 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 <u>Jamie</u> to RSVP before attending.

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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!

**GLEN ECHO INTERNATIONAL FOLK DANCERS** 



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For out-of-towners, we will try to show the class via Zoom. You can enter by clicking <u>here</u>. Meeting ID: 871 5265 1884 Password: 145 If you click on the link, you may not need to enter a password.

<u>For more information</u>: Please contact <u>Jamie</u> or see the <u>website</u>.

FSGW CO-SPONSORED Greenbelt International Folk Dance Greenbelt MD & Online • Fridays • 8 – 9:30 pm



Weekly in-person international folk dancing has returned to Greenbelt with some sessions being in-person only, and others 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!

<u>When</u>: (almost) Every Friday night from 8 to 9:30 pm

<u>Where</u>: Greenbelt Community Dance Studio, 15 Crescent Rd. (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.

<u>Info</u>: Larry Weiner, 301-565-0539 or John & Sheila Robinson, 410-715-9210

# More Info:

FridayDance or facebook



https://dancingplanetproductions.com/contra/

#### FSGW CO-SPONSORED

Sunday Afternoon Dancing Planet Contra Dance Glen Echo MD • Sunday January 12 3 – 6 pm, New Dancer Introductory Session 2:30 pm

Contras & Squares in the Bumper Car Pavilion at Glen Echo Park MD



January 12 ... Janine Smith calls the figures to Handspring

**Handspring** WOWED us at Contrastock in October, so we're thrilled they're back! We're in for an afternoon of delightfully inspired, driving dance tunes played by **Alex Mitchell** (fiddle/mandolin), **Owen Morrison** (guitar/foot percussion) & **Carrie Rose** (flute/piccolo). Expect a ton of fun, a nice variety of dances, and, maybe, a few little shenanigans.

**Location:** The Bumper Car Pavilion is a wonderful covered open-air space with a nice wooden floor. Heavy plastic side curtains and overhead radiant heaters keep us toasty warm throughout the winter months, no matter the weather.

<u>Admission</u>: Cash (\$15) or Venmo (\$17 to cover fees) at the door, no cards <u>For more info</u>: <u>dancingplanetproductions/contra</u>

Future 2025 dates: 2/23, 3/9, 5/4, 6/22, 7/27, 8/24, 9/14, 10/26, 11/9

# **FSGW SINGS**

FSGW Open Sing • Online Fri. Jan. 3 • 7:30 pm

**Mara Levine** has volunteered to host the January Online Open Sing.

The topic will be: Songs related to winter...

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

**<u>Registration</u>: Reminder:** registration will be open till noon on 1/3/25.

<u>Zoom Link</u> will be sent to the Open Sing mailing list; if you're not a member, sign up <u>here</u>.

Info: Jan. 3 Sing fsgw.org/open-sings Vince Wilding

## FSGW Song Circle Silver Spring MD & Online 2nd Fri. Jan. 10 • 1:30 – 3:30 pm

The monthly FSGW 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.

January 15 will be the 96th birthday of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. In his honor, bring or request your favorite civil-rights 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 Rd., Silver Spring MD. Participants should read and follow FSGW's Respiratory Virus Policy.

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 Song Circle via Zoom and to others who register here by Thursday January 9.

#### Latest Info

# FSGW Gospel Sing Kensington MD

Sun. Jan. 12 • 4 – 7 pm

The January 2025 Gospel Sing will take place in the condo of Shirley Buzzard in Washington DC near the Waterfront Metro stop. Group singing of Southern country gospel for two hours, from 4 to 6 pm, followed by a potluck dinner until 7 pm. Hymnals provided. A maskfriendly event—masks are optional but welcome. Everyone is welcome, but be sure you are symptom-free.

<u>RSVP/directions</u>: text Shirley at 202-288-3902 or email her at <u>sbuzzardo1@gmail.com</u>, email <u>Kathie</u>, or call Kathie at 301-270-5367 (voicemail, no texts).

Info: Jan. 12 Gospel Sing event fsgw.org/gospel-sings

FSGW Open Sing Silver Spring MD Sat. Jan. 18 • 2 – 5 pm

**Connie McKenna** will host the sing in the Kemp Mill neighborhood in Silver Spring.

Theme: "Hope Springs Eternal"

<u>RSVP, directions, info:</u> <u>Connie McKenna,</u> 301-906-2453 (call or text)

# OPEN DANCES

The Greater Washington Ceili Club New Year Celebration Ceili Sandy Spring MD Wed. Jan. 1 • 4 – 8 pm

Music by Ellis Island: Dave Abe, Myron Bretholz, Peter Fitzgerald, Martin McCann, Andy Thurston

Please bring a dish to share at the potluck supper.

Location: The Lyceum, 17801 Meeting House Rd.

<u>Admission</u>: \$25/GWCC members, \$30/non-members, raffles/door prize ticket included with admission

Info: gwcc-online.org

BFMS CONTRA (BALTIMORE FOLK MUSIC SOCIETY) • BALTIMORE MD 1ST 3RD & 5TH WED. JAN. 1: 1:30 – 4 PM; JAN. 15, 29: 8 – 10:30 PM

**New dancer workshops at 7:30 pm** Beginners always welcome!

#### January ...

- Special New Year's Day Afternoon Dance! Caroline Barnes and Colette Mrozek call to Countercurrent, a powerhouse acoustic duo based in Olympia WA, featuring fiddle, guitar, harmony vocals & foot percussion. (Alex Sturbaum & Brian Lindsay)
- 15 April Blum calls to Amberwing: Robin Wilson, Emily Aubrey & Janina O'Brien
- 29 Ann Fallon calls to the Baltimore Open Band
- Location: Lovely Lane Church, 2200 St. Paul St.
- <u>Cost</u>: BFMS and FSGW members \$10, non-members \$15. Free for students and people under 21.

**Online payment only** 

Info: bfms.org or Hannah Mueller

Afternoon Waltz Glen Echo MD 1st & 3rd Sun. Jan. 5 & 19 Lesson 2:45 pm; Dance 3:30 – 6 pm

#### January ...

- 5 The Becker Band with Clara Becker (fiddle, vocals), Chuck Becker (mandolin, guitar, bass) & Leah Becker (guitar)
- 19 *Djangolaya* with Jeanine Greene (vocals, violin), Charlie Schueller (accordion) & Andrew Deshler (guitar)

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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: \$15,

\$5 for full-time students with ID.

Info: WaltzTimeDances.org or 301-634-2222

BFMS English Country Dance Baltimore MD • Mon. Jan. 6, 13, 20 & 27 • 8 – 10:30 pm

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

#### January ...

- April Blum calls to the tunes of Robin Wilson (flute & concertina), Carl Friedman (violin) & Janina O'Brien (piano & whistles)
- 13 Christopher Field calls to the tunes of Marty Taylor (whistles, recorders, concertina), Mark Vidor (accordion) & Carl Friedman (piano)
- 20 Diane Schmitt calls to the music of Jeffrey Steinberg (violin),
   Steven Epstein (clarinet) & Janina O'Brien (primarily piano)
- 27 Andrea Nettleton calls to the playing of Robin Wilson (flute & concertina), Emily Aubrey (violin) & Jonathan Jensen (piano)

# Friday Night Dancers

Glen Echo Park MD • Fri. Jan. 3, 10, 17, 24 & 31 8 pm (New dancer class every week at 7:30 pm)

Friday Night Dancers, a nonprofit, volunteer-based organization, in cooperation with the National Park Service, the Glen Echo Park Partnership for Arts and Culture, and Montgomery County, sponsors weekly contra dances to live music in the historic Glen Echo Spanish Ballroom or the Glen Echo Bumper Car Pavilion.

#### January ...

- 3 Louise Siddons calls to Chicken Feathers: Laurie Andres (accordion & piano), WB Reid (6-string banjo, fiddle, guitar) & Bonnie Zahnow (fiddle & guitar)
- 10 Sue Gola calls to the fabulous Glen Echo Open Band, led by Bobby LaRose

- Penelope Weinberger calls to Contra Rebels: Todd Clewell (fiddle), Barb Schmid (fiddle), Henry Koretzky (guitar & mandolin) & Aaron Blouin (bass)
- 24 Anna Rain calls to Frog Hammer: Jim Besser (Anglo concertina), Abe Joyner-Meyers (fiddle), Bob Collins (drums), Glyn Collinson (bouzouki, acoustic guitar, electric guitar, vocals), Michael Ferguson (harpejji) & Andrew Marcus (piano accordion)
- **31 Melissa Chatham** calls to **Terpsichore: Elke Baker** (fiddle), **Liz Donaldson** (piano) & **Ralph Gordon** (bass)

Location: 7300 MacArthur Blvd.

<u>Tickets</u>: online or at the door, \$15. Info: website or email Participants are welcome to bring snacks to share at the break.

<u>Admission</u>: \$10 members, \$15 nonmembers, under 21 and full-time students with IDs: free.

#### Advance registration only

Location: Church of the Nativity and Holy Comforter, 6112 York Rd. <u>directions</u>

Info: engdance@bfms.org or Janina O'Brien, 443-722-5805

#### Contra Dance Beginners Workshop • Silver Spring MD Tue. Jan 7, 14, 21, 28 • 7:30 pm

One-hour workshop each Tuesday in January—Free

Inside secrets to help new dancers maximize the flow, beauty and effortlessness of Contra like an old hand. Whee!!!

Info: Linda Zebooker, 202-386-8252

THE NORDIC DANCERS OF WASHINGTON DC SILVER SPRING MD • WED. JAN. 8, 15, 22 & 29 • 7:30 – 9:50 PM

The Nordic Dancers of Washington DC have in-person sessions at Highland View Elementary School and will meet regularly on Wednesdays through May 28 (with some exceptions for holidays).

Come any Wednesday and learn traditional dances of Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway, and Sweden. Music is provided by fiddler **Paul Carlson**. Newcomers are welcome; no prior dance experience is necessary.

#### <u>More info</u>

Questions: To verify the meeting room, check for updated COVID protocols, or ask questions call 301-864-1596 or send a message. THE GREATER WASHINGTON CEILI CLUB • IRISH SET & CEILI DANCE CLASS WINTER SESSION SILVER SPRING MD • 7 PM

GWCC sponsors, supports and encourages ceilis, dance classes, concerts, and other programs for the enjoyment of its members and the community at large.

<u>Most Thursdays starting Jan. 9</u>: 7 pm: basics; 8 – 9:15 pm: continuing

All welcome! No experience or partner needed. No risk—try your first class free.

Location: 301 St. Lawrence St.

Info: gwcc-online.org, email

Swing Dance • Glen Echo Park MD Sat. Jan. 11, 18 & 25 8 pm lesson, 9 – 11:30 pm dance

#### January ...

- 11 Battle of the Bands: Rock-A-Sonics vs. Natty Beaux
- 18 David Chappell Band

25 Swingtopia

Info: gottaswing.com/calendar

MID-ATLANTIC NORWEGIAN DANCERS WASHINGTON DC • SAT. JAN. 11 6:30 PM DOORS/POTLUCK 7:30 PM MUSIC FOR DANCE

Norwegian-style cozy house party. Loretta Kelley, Sonia White plus possibly other guest musicians will play Norwegian and some Swedish tunes for dancing on exotic instruments with sympathetic strings.

Beginners, singles/couples, watchers/listeners all welcome. Please bring food to share (dish or snack) and clean shoes to wear for dancing. Donations gratefully accepted. If you have symptoms of illness or recent exposure to respiratory infection, please stay home this time.

Location info: Linda Brooks' home (no pets). If you need an address contact <u>linda@scandiadc.org</u> and include MAND in the subject line.

Info / Updates: MAND.fanitull.org

#### Questions? MAND@fanitull.org

BFMS (BALTIMORE FOLK MUSIC SOCIETY) • BALTIMORE MD 2ND SATURDAY CONTRA DANCE SAT. JAN. 11 • 7 – 9:30 PM (6:30 PM DANCE LESSON)

Greg Frock calling to Wild Wombats of the Chesapeake: Carl Friedman (fiddle), Robin Wilson (flute, concertina & sax), Ralph Barthine (guitar) & Janina O'Brien (piano, bodhran & whistle)

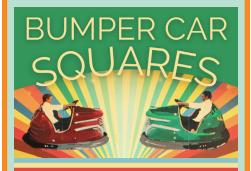
Potluck snacks at the break.

Location: Church of the Nativity and Holy Comforter 6112 York Rd. <u>Directions</u>

<u>Admission:</u> \$10 BFMS members & affiliates, \$15 non-members. People under 21 and students with ID: free.

Online payment only Pre-payment is encouraged.

Contact: Carol Fleishman



# Come dance with us!

Bumper Car Squares Glen Echo Park MD Sat. Jan. 11 • 7 – 10:30 pm

Join us for square dancing in the Bumper Car Pavilion!

After a lesson for all skill levels, dance caller **Dave Hauver** will lead a rousing square dance along with live music by

Rhys Jones, Jay White, Richard Osban and Dan Klingsberg!

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

7 pm ~ Lesson; 7:30 – 10:30 pm ~ Dance

<u>Admission</u>: \$15/adult, \$5/teen, FREE for ages 12 and under. Cash, checks and credit cards accepted at the door.

Info: glenechopark.org/dances info@glenechopark.org or 301-634-2222

Upcoming 2025 dances: 2/8, 3/8, 4/3, 5/1, 6/5, 9/4, 10/9, 11/6, 12/4

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

#### SMTMD Contra Dance Chaptico MD 2nd Sat. Jan. 11 • 7 pm

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 <u>website calendar</u> for the lineup of dances and callers!

<u>Admission</u>: \$8 for members; \$12 for non-SMTMD members; children 17 and under (when accompanied by a paying adult) and band members are free

Location: Christ Church Parish Hall 37497 Zach Fowler Rd.

Info: email, website

#### English Country Dance Silver Spring MD Sat. Jan. 11 • 7:30 – 9:30 pm

**Bob Farrall** calls to music by **Peascods Gathering.** 

Beginners and singles welcome.

Admission: \$5.

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

Info: Carl Minkus, 301-493-6281 or Bob Farrall, 301-577-5018

#### Annapolis English Country Dance Annapolis MD Sat. Jan. 18 • 7 – 9:30 pm, Intro Lesson: 6:30 pm

Kappy Laning calls to the music of Hot Toddy: Edith Coakley-Stowe (violin), Melissa Running (piano) and Anna Rain (recorders). Pre-registration is not required, but please email <u>Ann Fallon</u> to let us know if you can help with pre-dance setup and/or post-dance hall restoration. Such help is much appreciated!

Face masks are optional. Venue has windows and filter fans for circulation and ventilation. Please bring your own water. Snacks to share are welcome if you bring napkins+appropriate paper goods+utensils and plan to clean up after snack time.

No experience or partner required.

<u>Admission</u>: \$15; students \$5; children through 5 years old free

Location: Annapolis Friends Meeting Hall, 351 Dubois Rd.

Info: Ann Fallon, 410-507-0934 or Jan Scopel, 443-540-0867, facebook

#### Scandia DC Dance/Music Event Greenbelt Community Center MD 3rd Sat. Jan. 18 • 7 – 9:30 pm\*

\*Note the change from afternoon to evening for 2025.

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 the lead musician 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 event.

Please don't attend if you are feeling sick or have been in recent contact with someone with COVID. More details on COVID precautions will be in the invitation 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 <u>ScandiaDC.org</u> and in the invitation email closer to the event.

#### 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. <u>More info</u>

#### Bethesda International Folk Dance Group Thursdays • 7 – 8:45 pm

Join our friendly dancers for dances from around the world.

Masks are optional.

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

Info: Carl Minkus or 301-493-6281 for info on our First Time Free policy and subscription policy (can't accept money on premises).

#### Cuban Salsa Class & Social Dancing • Washington DC Saturdays • 1:15 – 4 pm

<u>Location</u>: Chevy Chase Baptist Church 5671 Western Ave, NW

Admission: \$15/person

Details: danceintime.com/classes

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



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 speciallythemed weeks.

#### ONLINE • DAILY • 12 NOON

Great for all ages! Attend in the virtual concert room or sing along on Facebook Live; see our <u>website</u> for participation instructions.

Free; donations to the "Antidote Fund" are encouraged and support the artists.

#### Ship's Company Chantymen Fairfax VA, Wheaton MD 1st & 3rd Thur. Jan. 2 & 16 • 8 pm

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

<u>3rd Thursday</u> folk sings are hosted by Johnny Strum at the Limerick Pub: 11301 Elkin St., Wheaton MD (8 pm)

Info: Brad Graham

blgraham\_99@yahoo.com Subscribe to Ship's Company Chantymen open Chantysings events <u>newsletter</u>

TRIO SEFARDI • WASHINGTON DC FRI. JAN 3 • 6 – 7 PM

Trio Sefardi (Susan Gaeta, Tina Chancey & Howard Bass) kicks off its 15th anniversary year with a free performance on the Kennedy Center's Millennium Stage. The trio will perform Sephardic songs from the Balkans, Turkey and Morocco as well as songs they learned from Flory Jagoda.

<u>Tickets</u>: Millennium Stage performances are free but are now ticketed; reservations can be made in advance or are available at the Kennedy Center on the day of performance. Location: Kennedy Center, 2700 F Street NW

Info: triosefardi.com, Howard Bass, 703-635-0273

DC BLUEGRASS UNION DUPONT CIRCLE BLUEGRASS JAM WASHINGTON DC • 1ST & 3RD SUN. JAN. 5 & 19 • 1 – 4 PM

This jam plays mainly bluegrass songs and tunes, and welcomes new beginners and experienced jammers.

<u>Location</u>: The Mansion at O St., 2020 O St. NW

Info: DC Bluegrass Union Dupont Circle DCBU Facebook

CABOMA JAM • ARLINGTON VA 2ND & 4TH SUN. JAN. 12 & 26 2 – 6 PM

We have three rooms for jamming.

Location: Unitarian Universalist Church of Arlington 4444 Arlington Blvd.

Info: caboma.org

INSTITUTE OF MUSICAL TRADITIONS PRESENTS AN ACOUSTIC EVENING WITH THE NIGHTHAWKS • ROCKVILLE MD MON. JAN. 13 • 7:30 PM (7 PM DOORS)

IMT is proud to present an acoustic evening with legendary blues band **The Nighthawks.** The musical product of pre-1958 radio in Washington, D.C., **The Nighthawks** formed in the 1970s, and have been breaking the rules against mixing blues, R&B, honky-tonk country, doo-wop, gospel and rockabilly ever since.

- Location: Saint Mark Presbyterian Church, 10701 Old Georgetown Rd.
- <u>Tickets:</u> \$15 advance (+\$2 box office fee) / \$20 door

Info: imtfolk.org/, rob Hinkal

#### Baltimore Shape Note Singing Baltimore MD • Mon. Jan. 13 7 – 9:30 pm (6:30 pm doors)

Join us in America's oldest musical tradition! Experience the joy of singing *a cappella* choral music in four-part harmony. Shaped note heads aid sight reading. No experience needed and loaner books are available.

Attendance is free. All are welcome!

Location: Four Hour Day Lutherie 4305 Harford Rd.

Info: baltimoreshapenote.org facebook

#### Touched by Song Gospel Jam Herndon VA 2nd Tues. Jan. 14 • 7 – 9 pm

Open to all ages and all levels. We play a variety of gospel from hymns, bluegrass gospel, country gospel, praise and original songs. Chairs are available but please bring a stand. **Location:** Floris United Methodist Church 13600 Frying Pan Rd. —Drive up the hill and park on the upper level.

Info: Floris calendar edickerson@florisumc.org

#### Takoma SPARK Open Mic Takoma Park MD Tues. Jan. 14, 21 & 28 • 7 pm

A cauldron of creativity from local and not-so-local artists. You're invited to come and play, or just listen.

Jan. 14: Ricky Lopez Jan. 21: Alaina Tamash Jan. 28: Lee Allen

Free. | Sign up at 6:30, music at 7 pm, webcast live on Facebook, YouTube and Twitch.

**Location:** School of Musical Traditions 7112 Willow Ave.

Info: imtfolk SPARK, rob@ilyaimy.com, 301-910-2575

> ~ Presented by ~ the Institute of Musical Traditions

#### BFMS IN-PERSON SONG SWAP BALTIMORE MD • 2ND TUES. JAN. 14

7:30 – 9:30 РМ

We're delighted to be back singing in person! 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-thehat goodwill donation welcome).

REMEMBER: If you are sick, not feeling well, etc. please stay home.

Location: Four Hour Day Lutherie, 4305 Harford Rd.

#### Capitol Hill Shape Note Singing Washington DC Wed. Jan. 15 • 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

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

#### Westminster MD Jams Wednesday Jan. 15 • 7 – 9 pm

All ages, skill levels and listeners are welcome.

Info: Website, email or 410-857-2771

#### Cathy Fink & Marcy Marxer in Concert • Fri. Jan. 17 • 7:30 pm

Location: Seekers Church 276 Carroll St NW, Takoma DC

#### **<u>Tickets</u>:** \$25

Info: carrollcafe.seekerschurch.org

#### Intro to Celtic Repertoire Class w/ Ellen Gira • Takoma Park MD Sat. Jan. 18 • 1:15 – 2:45 pm

Every third Saturday of the month Cellist and teacher Ellen Gira teaches an Intro to Celtic Repertoire class at School of Musical Traditions in Takoma Park. The class is for aspiring players of all skill levels and instruments who want to add to their repertoire and get themselves ready to play in sessions around town. \$25 Location: Takoma Spark, 7112 Willow Ave.

Info: Website Bebe Blumenthal, 240-690-1910

FocusMusic presents Aaron Nathans & Michael Ronstadt Gaithersburg MD Sat. Jan. 25 • 7:30 pm

Cello-guitar songwriting duo **Aaron Nathans & Michael G. Ronstadt** never lose their capacity to surprise. This progressive folk act combines uninhibited musical creativity and mastery with accessible story songs and an oddball sense of humor. Audiences will see and hear things done with a cello they never thought possible, meandering stories as captivating as the music, and hook-filled story songs that you'll remember long after the lights come up.

#### Manor Mill Old-Time Jam Monkton MD Sun. Jan. 26 • 2 – 5 pm

Feel free to bring a dish. BYOB!

Questions: otj@manor-mill.com

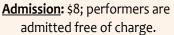
Info: manor-mill.com/otj

#### BFMS ZOOM SONG SWAP • ONLINE 4TH TUES. JAN. 28 • 7:30 PM

It's 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 4th Tuesday BFMS song swap 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!

#### SMTMD HOMESPUN COFFEEHOUSE OPEN MIC • CHAPTICO MD 4th Fri. Jan. 24 • 7 pm

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. Contact <u>Chris Dudley</u> in advance to sign up as a performer.



# Location: Christ Church Parish Hall, 37497 Zach Fowler Rd.

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CoffeeHouse

Info: email, website

#### Common Ground on the Hill Concert: Genticorum Westminster MD • Feb. 1 • 7:30 pm

This extraordinary trio from Quebec will have you dancing in your seats!

Location: Carroll Arts Center, 91 W. Main St.

Info & Tickets: \$25/\$28

#### ROCK CREEK MORRIS WOMEN KENSINGTON MD • WEDNESDAYS JAN. 8, 15, 22, 29 • 7:30 – 9:30 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: White Flint Park

Info: email website

#### Orfeia Ensemble Sing Chevy Chase MD • 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 Eastern Europe. Orfeia's repertoire spans the rich and diverse musical heritage of the Balkans. We are always seeking new members. No familiarity with Eastern European music required.

Info: Diane, 202-274-4155 email, orfeia.org, facebook

#### Takoma Mandoleers Arlington VA Tuesdays • 7:30 – 9:30 pm

The Takoma Mandoleers are a community orchestra playing mandolin, mandola, mandocello, classical guitar & string bass. Founded in Takoma Park in 1923, we play the mandolin orchestra repertoire from classical to the 21st century.

Info: Mandoleers.org/contact

Bluegrass and Old Time Jam Baltimore MD Tuesdays • 7 – 10 pm

The weekly jam is held in the Green Room with wonderful acoustics. 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 **Old Time Jam**. The first hour of the jam will be a "slow jam": anyone can play along at a moderate tempo. From 8 to 10 pm, they'll kick up the tempo for the "fast jam."

On the other Tuesdays, **Alex Lacquement** & Lucas Chohany will lead the **Bluegrass** Jam featuring songs and instrumentals.

Best of all, the jam is FREE!

Location: 3600 Hickory Ave.

Info: facebook

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#### Washington Balalaika Society (WBS) • Arlington VA Wed. Jan. 15, 22 & 29 7:30 – 9:30 pm

The orchestra plays Eastern European folk instruments including balalaikas and domras in various sizes and some Western percussion and wind instruments, producing a uniquely beautiful sound. Our repertoire includes classical music, folk songs, Broadway tunes and popular music from around the world. New members welcome.

Come and visit us any Wednesday night.

Location: Faith Lutheran Church 3313 Arlington Blvd.

Info: email, website

#### Foggy Bottom Morris Men Arlington VA • Saturdays 11 Am – 1 PM

Learn traditional English morris dances. Anyone can join our community that dances, socializes & sings. It's as easy as step-hop, step-hop.

Location: Welburn Square, 901 N. Taylor St.

Info: fbmm.org, Jud McIntire, Nat Brown



# FESTIVALS & WEEKENDS

Creative Alliance: Say, Sister! Festival • Baltimore MD & Virtual "I've Endured" Exhibition Opening: 6 – 9 pm & Square Dance: 7 pm • Friday January 3; 2 Concerts, Workshops, Activities & More! Friday & Saturday January 10 – 11

Join us for a diverse and revolutionary celebration of women in roots music.

Co-curated by Maryland's beloved, multi-Grammy Awardwinning artist and Roots Music Specialist, **Cathy Fink**, the Inaugural festival kicks off on January 3 with the lively **Inaugural Say Sister! Square Dance.** The festival unfolds over two weekends of electrifying performances, insightful workshops, films, storytelling, and jam sessions. Each artist will not only take the stage but also lead an engaging workshop, offering a deeper connection to their craft and the roots music tradition.

## BFMS Midwinter Ball 2025 Baltimore MD • Saturday Feb. 1 • 6 – 10 pm

In honor of BFMS's 50th Anniversary in 2025, we are going back to 1975. Come dressed in your disco/70's finest!

Music by **Owen Morrison** (guitar) & **Scotty Leach** (fiddle); calling by **Penelope Weinberger** 

6:00 pm Social time 6:30 pm Grand March, followed by contra dancing

Location: Church of the Redeemer, 5603 Charles St.

Info: bfms.org/midwinter.php, midwinter@bfms.org

Creative Alliance: <u>2025 Baltimore Crankie Festival</u> In person: Feb. 7 – 9 • Virtual: Feb. 8

Location: The Patterson Theater, 3134 Eastern Ave.

# Ski-Dance Weekend • Laurel Highlands PA • February 14 to 17

The annual **SkiDance** weekend will be held in the Laurel Highlands region of western Pennsylvania. This will be our last event, so if you've ever thought about joining us or haven't been in a few years, make it a reunion and come help make it our best!

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Not sure how to cross country ski?

... no worries, free ski instruction is provided for beginners!

Do you have two left feet and are not sure how to contra dance?

...Bring both of them because **Janine Smith**, our fabulous caller, will have you moving to the music of **Dave Wiesler** and **Mat Clark**.

Information / registration: skidance.org, Bob Mathis, 240-858-9341 or Jody Blatt



~ SkiDance is a volunteer-led activity sponsored by Sierra Club Potomac Region Outings (SCPRO) ~

# FSGW CONTRA DANCE WEEKEND



Come dance in the famous **Bumper Car Pavilion** to the calling of **Lisa Greenleaf** and **River Rainbowface** with music from **Free Raisins (Audrey Knuth-Jabber, Amy Engelsberg, Jeff Kaufman)** and **Bowrider (Kelsey Wells, Alex Sturbaum, Brian Lindsey)**.

## **#Dance Weekend** is an

ultra-challenging urban dance weekend featuring mind-bending figures, non-gendered calling, and phenomenal music. #Two days of amazing workshops, dancing, community, fun, and food in the fabulous open-air, covered (heated) Bumper Car Pavilion; workshops throughout Glen Echo Park.

This event strives to create a queer-friendly and pronoun-respectful event; please attend prepared for these philosophies.

Location: Glen Echo Park, 7300 Macarthur Blvd. • Free parking, on site



# FSGW CO-SPONSORED UpCounty TradFest • Germantown MD • Saturday March 29 • 12 – 9:30 pm

Celebrate Maryland traditions through music, art, and dance!

UpCounty TradFest includes an artisan market, student performances, workshops, square dance with Devil in the Mill and caller Janine Smith; headline performances by Charm City Junction and Jocelyn Pettit & Ellen Gira.

<u>Schedule</u> :	<b>Artisan Market:</b> 2 – 4 pm	Square	<b>e Dance:</b> 4 – 6 pm	Evening Cond	<b>:ert:</b> 7:30 pm
<u>Tickets</u>	: <u>Square Dance</u> : \$20 <u>Charm City Junction and</u> <u>Jocelyn Pettit &amp; Ellen Gira</u> : \$4 <u>TradPass</u> (dance & concert): 9		Location: BlackRoc 12901 Town Cor Info: blackrockcent upcounty-trac	mmons Dr. <u>:er.org/</u>	e Arts,

#### 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 <u>newsletter@fsgw.org</u> 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 (<u>fsgw.org</u>). Just click on <u>Newsletter</u> and scroll down to Guidelines for Submitting Copy for Publication.
- The Editor reserves the right to edit or omit copy as necessary. Ad content must be approved by the Editor.

Basic Ad charges: 1/4 page ads (3.4" x 4.5" or 7.25" x 2.5"): \$65 for one month, \$120 for two. Commercial business: \$8 for 10 words. Noncommercial and individual: \$4 for 10 words. 25% discount for any single ad placed in 12 consecutive issues (one year) and paid in advance. We will work with you on larger ads. Copy, with check made payable to FSGW, must be received by the newsletter deadline.

Mail to FSGW, P.O. Box 323, Cabin John, MD 20818. Memo on the check should read, "Advertising for ... "

#### 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

Lucia Schaefer, FSGW President

#### FSGW BOARD MEETING (Online) Tuesday January 7 • 8 pm

Monthly FSGW Board meetings are all electronic via Zoom. Meetings are open to all FSGW members; contact <u>president@fsgw.org</u> or <u>webmaster@fsgw.org</u> for a link to the meeting. If you wish to have the Board consider a particular matter, please contact the appropriate Board member or **Lucia Schaefer** at <u>president@fsgw.org</u> at least two days in advance of the scheduled meeting.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	WEDNESDAY		Thursday	Friday	SATURDAY
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