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FSGW MONTHLY PROGRAM: FREE TO MEMBERS!

Scottish Folksinger

Ed Miller

Returns for Concert, Workshop

Concert:

Saturday, November 24 • 8 pm

Falls Church, VA

Workshop: Sunday, November 25,

1 - 4 pm, Glen Echo, MD



More than 30 years ago, a young Scottish singer and folklore Ph.D. student living in Austin somewhat reluctantly accepted an invitation to perform for FSGW's March 1981 monthly program at the Ethical Society. **Ed Miller** wasn't a full-time performer then, just a wonderful singer who knew loads of terrific traditional Scots songs and ballads—and the Scots singing traditions from which the songs came. Program chair **Kathy Westra**, who had heard Ed sing at an informal late-night gathering at a folklore conference, convinced him that the FSGW audience would love to hear his music.

That FSGW program was Ed's very first full-length concert as a solo performer on the East coast. And what a concert it was! Interesting versions of traditional Scots ballads. Bothy songs from Scotland's agricultural past. Funny songs. Splendid new songs from Scotland's best songwriters. And choruses. LOTS of choruses! The FSGW audience was enchanted, and Ed has returned to these parts many times since then to sing for Burns suppers, the Celtic festival, and FSGW. He has a particular genius for making the old songs fully present, transporting his audience into times, places and feelings long past.

Fast-forward three decades, and Ed is still singing—better than ever! He has been hailed as “one of the finest singers to come out of the Scottish Folksong Revival” and as “one of Scotland's best singing exports.” He's a

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sought-after performer whose many recordings (on the Folk-Legacy and Wellfield labels) include a brand-new one, *Come Awa with Me*, which includes old traditional ballads; songs from the 20th-century folk revival, and two or three very recent ones.

Ed has collaborated on recordings and concerts with some of Scotland's best musicians. He leads a wildly popular music tour to Scotland every June, with scheduled visits to many of his musical friends who, incidentally, read like a "Who's Who" of Scots song and folklore. He has given concerts all over the U.S. and U.K. He is a popular faculty member for the Swannanoa Gathering's Celtic Week in North Carolina, where he teaches Scottish music and folklore.

So bring your voices and be prepared to sing along on a passel of Scots favorites, old and new. There are sure to be some familiar tunes, and some surprises. We guarantee an evening of fine music with one of Scotland's finest singers.

The concert will be held at the Knox Presbyterian Church Fellowship Hall, just inside the Rte. 50 East Beltway exit at 7416 Arlington Blvd. (corner of Allen St. and Rte. 50) in Falls Church, Virginia. If the lot is full, park on the Rte. 50 frontage road (check signs) or across Rte.50 in the Thomas Jefferson Library lot. Cross at the light." **Admission is FREE for FSGW members, \$20 for nonmembers.**

Workshop on the Scottish Folk Song Revival

Sunday, November 25 • 1 - 4 pm, Glen Echo, MD

We know Saturday's concert won't be enough to satisfy your appetite for **Ed Miller's** knowledge of Scottish folksong, so we've scheduled a special afternoon workshop on Sunday, November 25, in Glen Echo, MD. The workshop will cover the Scottish Folk Song revival from the 1950s to the present, spanning the contributions of singers from Jeannie Robertson to Karine Polwart. Ed will present recordings of different singers, and everyone will have a chance to sing several songs that exemplify the regrowth of folk music in Scotland over that time period. A spectacular slideshow and refreshments are included.

The workshop will be held at Glen Echo Town Hall, located at 6106 Harvard Ave. in Glen Echo, MD, If the parking lot is full, do not park directly in front of the Town Hall, and keep in mind the parking needs of Glen Echo residents." from 1 – 4 p.m. Reservations are recommended! Please call or e-mail **Betsy Platt at 301.717.4641, Glen.Echo@erols.com** to reserve a spot. **Admission to the workshop is \$15 for FSGW members, \$20 for nonmembers.**

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FSGW HOUSE CONCERT: POTOMAC, MD



EVA SALINA PRIMACK

PERFORMING BALKAN MUSIC PASSIONATELY

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 3 • 8 PM

Eva Salina Primack, gifted with a rich, deep and powerful voice, has been studying and performing Balkan music since she was a young child. Her talent and passion quickly led her to become known as a preeminent singer, interpreter, and teacher within the genre, focusing on the traditions of Albania, Bulgaria, Greece, Macedonia, Serbia, Turkey and the Romani people. She has also studied Georgian, Corsican, traditional American, and Ukrainian singing. In this concert, Eva and her trusty accordion will present solo material from these varied traditions.

Eva has collaborated to varying degrees (performing, touring, recording, and teaching) with many Balkan and American musicians, including *Slavic Soul Party!*, *Which Way East*, *Kadife*, *Veveritse*, *Choban Elektrik*, *Seido Salifoski's Romski Boji*, *Édessa*, and many more. Eva received a B.A. in Ethnomusicology from UCLA, where she studied extensively with Tzvetanka Varimezova. From 2009 to 2011 Eva toured primarily with *Ash (Æ)*, a popular vocal duo who focused on the traditions of the Balkans, Appalachia, Caucasus Georgia, and Corsica. Originally from Santa Cruz, CA, Eva currently resides in Brooklyn, NY, and performs and teaches nationally and internationally at camps, workshops and festivals.

At the home of Jamie & Betsy Platt in Potomac, MD, \$15 suggested donation. Info and reservations: glen.echo@erols.com/301.717.4641

FSGW HOUSE CONCERT: LARGO, MD

Ed Trickett

Home-grown folk troubadour

Saturday,

November 10 • 8 pm



Ed Trickett grew up in the D.C. area, back when a normal family could afford to raise a kid near Dupont Circle. A professor of psychology by day, he left the area when the University of Illinois at Chicago lured him away from the University of Maryland. But by night, Ed has always been a troubadour, one who both interprets traditional songs and spreads the songs being sung elsewhere, especially in the nation's heartland. He searches for the truths in songs and sings in a gentle manner that brings out all of the meanings and nuances. He'll return to the area to offer a house concert at Mount Lubentia, the historic plantation home of **Andy and Sondra Stigen Wallace**, near Largo. (Yes, George Washington really slept there; we can give you the precise dates.)

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ED TRICKETT HOUSE CONCERT, continued from page 3

Besides his singing, Ed often plays six- and twelve-string guitars, piano, and hammered dulcimer, but we'll have to see which of these he chooses to carry with him from Illinois (or borrow from local friends).

Ed's past includes a decades-long stint as part of a trio with **Gordon Bok** and **Anne Mayo Muir**, being a central cog of the "Golden Ring" of singers, and several recordings (both solo and with groups) on Folk Legacy records, not to mention multiple appearances on Garrison Keillor's *A Prairie Home Companion*.

Ed loves songs with great melodies and singable choruses. Expect to be part of that chorus!

Contact **Andy Wallace** for reservations and directions at **301.324.7311** or **andy.sondra@verizon.net**. Suggested donation: \$15.

FSGW HOUSE CONCERT: DERWOOD, MD

Lil Rev

Old-time Blues, Jug Band, Boogie, and More!

Sunday, November 11 • 3-5 pm

Help us welcome Wisconsin's award-winning troubadour to Maryland!

Enjoy a lively afternoon of old-time blues, jug band, boogie, early country, Broadway and Lil Rev's rootsy originals. Performing on harmonica, ukulele, flat-pick guitar, claw-hammer banjo and blues mandolin, Lil Rev is sure to offer up something for everyone. Rounding out the mix, Kathy (bass) & Marv Reitz (reeds and jug) will join Lil Rev on a few numbers, so tell your friends and enemies that this is one concert they won't want to miss!



Lil Rev comes to us from Milwaukee, WI, where he grew up with a mom who loved to sing and grandparents who sang and played piano and harmonica. He purchased his first guitar at the age of 12 with his paper-route money and set about learning chords and songs from his favorite records. Guitar was followed by harmonica, mandolin, and later banjo. At about 25 years, he was given a beat-up Wendell Hall banjo ukulele and set about learning how to master this humble little instrument so imbued with tradition and style.

His frequent travels find him teaching and touring all over the continental United States. His many unique niches include one-man shows of Jewish Cultural History (Jews of Tin Pan Alley, Jews N Blues), Scraps of Quilting Music (A Celebration of Quilting Lore and History in America), Yiddish Song & Story, Harmonica Workshops for Kids and Adults, Ukulele Festivals and Workshops, Songwriter, Storyteller, Music History Lectures at Elder-hostels, and much, much more!

"Listen to this! Lil Rev is great!" -Pete Seeger

At the home of **Marv and Kathy Reitz**, in Derwood, MD. Please call or e-mail to RSVP and for directions—**301.670.6716** or **reitz@verizon.net**. Suggested donation \$15.



Sara Grey and Kieron Means

Traditional song back and forth across the pond!

Tuesday, November 20 • 8 pm

Sara Grey and Kieron Means are a mother-son pair of folk musicians who each cross the Atlantic Ocean with less thought than some D.C.-area locals cross the Potomac River. Marylanders will venture just across that river into the very edge of Virginia to catch Sara and Kieron as they offer a house concert at the home of **Ursy Potter** and **Carter Hearn**, a very short distance from the Georgetown Pike exit of the Beltway (Exit 44).

Sara Grey grew up in New Hampshire, but has managed to live almost everywhere in the United States and Britain. Her son Kieron's upbringing was even more peripatetic.

Sara unearths traditional songs from both sides of "the pond" in her distinctive voice, often accompanying herself with a driving rhythmic old-time banjo and a stomping foot. She collects songs from Scotland, Ireland, New England, and the rest of the English-speaking world, many versions of which have crossed an ocean, and her memorable presentations of them entice you to pay attention to both their lyrics and their history.

Kieron likes to sing both traditional songs and contemporary ones in traditional styles, while accompanying himself on guitar. He's known to slip in an occasional original song, too. Much of the time, Kieron and Sara will be playing together. Even when they deliver a solo, you can sense the inevitable interaction of mother and son as they listen to each other attentively along with the audience.

The concert begins at 8 p.m. the Tuesday before Thanksgiving. You can call Ursy for reservations or directions—703.821.1373 or riverlover@aol.com. **Suggested donation: \$15** (more if you wish—all proceeds to the performers).

Reserve the Date for a Holiday Celebration!

Saturday, December 22 • 8 pm

We heard some folklore not too long ago that the Mayans had calculated December 21, 2012 as the end of the world. Well, then it turned out that's not exactly how they figured it, but it gave us a great idea. We should celebrate the holiday season like there's no tomorrow!

We'll do some singing, see some FABulous Irish music and dance, share holiday munchies, raise a toast or two, and sample some tasty blues. After all, how many blues songs start with "I woke up this morning" – the perfect opening line to celebrate the day after the end of the world!

Reserve Saturday night, December 22, on your calendar for a post-Hanukkah, post-Saturnalia, pre-Christmas, pre-Kwanzaa, pre-Festivus, day-after-winter-solstice, first-day-of-the-new-era concert celebration at the Washington Ethical Society Auditorium. We might even serve some *Fin du Monde* beer along with the cider and fruitcake.



FSGW English Country Dances

at Glen Echo Town Hall, MD • Wednesdays • 8–10 pm

Dance on a wood floor in the climate-controlled community room of the **Glen Echo Town Hall, 6106 Harvard St., Glen Echo, MD 20812**. Bring clean, non-scuffing shoes for dancing. Cheerful, patient, talented callers are accompanied by top-notch musicians—every Wednesday a different and delightful mix of instruments, including piano, fiddle, flute, harp, oboe, concertina, bassoon, cello, viola, and recorder. Light refreshments served at the break. Experienced and new dancers welcome. No partner required. **Info: Stephanie Smith at 301.229.3577 or Roger Broseus at English@fsgw.org**

Admission: \$8 for FSGW members, \$10 for non-members.



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Tom Spilsbury calls to the music of **Ralph Gordon** (cello), **Barbara Heitz** (flute), and **Liz Donaldson** (piano).



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Anna Rain calls to the playing of **Paul Oorts** (mandolin, accordion), **Karen Ashbrook** (hammered dulcimer, flute), and **Liz Donaldson** (piano).

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Michael Barraclough leads the dancing to the music of **Becky Ross** (fiddle), **Dan Gillespie** (recorders), and **Melissa Running** (piano).



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Susan Taylor calls while **David Knight** (fiddle), **Susan Brandt** (flute), and **Francine Krasowska** (piano) make the music.



The Great American Square Dance Revival

Saturday, December 1 • 8:30–11:30 pm

The date is probable, but please check the website to confirm. Read about one of the “most vibrant square dances in this country” on page 8, then come see for yourself what all the buzzzzzz is about. All are welcome – young and old, brand new and experienced dancers, hipsters and total outta the loopers. No partner, lessons, overalls, or fancy dress needed. Location: **Saint Stephens Church, 1525 Newton St. NW, Washington DC**, near the Columbia Heights Metro. \$5 at the door. More info: visit **fsgw.org** or **www.dcsquaredance.com**

FSGW Sunday Night Dances

at Glen Echo Park, MD
 Contras & Squares • 7:30–10:30 pm
 Introductory lesson every Sunday, 7–7:30 pm

Join us for an evening of dancing at Glen Echo Park. Every Sunday FSGW (in cooperation with the National Park Service, Montgomery County, and the Glen Echo Park Partnership for Arts and Culture) presents contras and squares danced to live music by fabulous bands with entertaining callers. Experienced and new dancers welcome; no partner needed. **Welcome/Orientation session every Sunday at 7. Come early for an introduction to the basic moves.** Dances often become more challenging as the evening progresses. During the spring and summer, most Sunday dances are in the Bumper Car Pavilion; then move into the 1920s restored Spanish Ballroom in the fall and winter. Bring water or a sports drink, and dress in layers. Smooth-soled shoes are kindest on your knees and ankles when turning. Info: **Penelope Weinberger, dance@fsgw.org**

**ADMISSION: \$9 FOR FSGW, BFMS, CDSS, AND ATDS MEMBERS,
 \$5 AGES 7–22 (WITH STUDENT ID IF OVER 17)
 \$12 FOR THE GENERAL PUBLIC.**

November

- 4 **April Blum** with *Rhapsody Dance Band's* Liting Melodies. **Marty Taylor** on recorders, whistles, and concertina, **Alexander Mitchell** on violin and mandolin, **Dave Wiesler** on piano



- 11 The hoot and hollering haven't started until you come shake your tail feathers to some hot calling by Baltimore's singing and laughing **Susan Taylor**. The band is the one and only *Rhythm Method String Band*—**Cathy Mason** (fiddle), **Craig Edwards** (fiddle), **Erica Weiss** (guitar), **Ann Porcella** (bass), **Steve Arkin** (banjo)



- 18 Enjoy the unbeatably sweet sounds of *Honeysuckle Rose* and the delightful bouquet of **Ann Fallon's** calls. **Andrea Hoag** (fiddle), **Paul Oorts** (mandolin), **Liz Donaldson** (piano) and **Ralph Gordon** (bass).



- 25 Thanks-be-it-isn't-Turkey—Cap off the Thankful weekend with our own **Janine Smith** calling to the *Young Napoleons*. Whirl into battle fever with the inspirational and feisty tunes of **Brent Feito** (guitar); **Sabra Guzmán** (upright bass); and **Lars Prillaman** (fiddle)



Ridesharing At The Sunday Night FSGW Contra Dance

Need a ride from Glen Echo to the Metro Station or to points beyond? Hoping to hitch a ride to the next Sunday Night Dance? The FSGW ride sharing program for the Sunday Night Dance, pairing needy dancers with benevolent drivers, is up and running. For help, see the Dance Chair or the ticket salespeople before the dance or at the break.

FSGW Family Dance

Sunday, November 11 • 3–5 pm

We are back in the Glen Echo Town Hall for the winter! **April Blum** calls with **Cathy Mason and Friends**. A dance for all ages, from 4 to 104. 6106 Harvard Ave., upstairs from the Glen Echo Post Office. \$5 per person.



FSGW Contra Sonic

Tuesday! Sonic-Anniversary

Tuesday, November 13 • 7:30 pm

Glen Echo Ballroom Annex



It's the second anniversary of Contra Sonic. J9 (the incomparable **Janine Smith**) and **dJ Improper** will help you rock the Glen Echo Ballroom Annex. FSGW offers traditional, called contra dancing with live-mixed DJ music. Could be techno, trance, electro pop, but whatever it is, it's high-energy, glowstick-fueled and fun! **Admission: \$8, \$6 members, youth, students.** 7300 MacArthur Blvd, Glen Echo, MD

Promenade with Pride

The Story of the Great American Square Dance Revival



Circle left, then circle right. Swing your partner and promenade. No matter how you call it, one thing is certain, there's a square dance revival sweeping the nation and Washington DC is at the heart of the fun!

That's thanks to the efforts of a dedicated group of volunteers, now called the DC Square Dance Collective, who—with the sponsorship of the Folklore Society of Greater Washington—have founded a dance called the Great American Square Dance Revival, one of the most vibrant traditional square dances in the world. Past

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FSGW Sings/Swaps & Co-sponsored Events

FSGW OPEN SING • SILVER SPRING, MD

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 2 • 8:30 PM

Anne McCabe has graciously volunteered to host the November Open Sing. The theme is "Rain" or "Reign" or "Rein." For more info contact her at 240.687.2914 or amkm098@aol.com

FSGW STORYSWAP • SILVER SPRING, MD

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 4 • 7:30 PM

Storytellers and listeners are invited to the home of Cricket Parmalee for an evening of shared stories and potluck snacks. Free. For RSVPs and directions e-mail cricket1415@yahoo.com

FSGW GOSPEL SING • SILVER SPRING, MD

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 11 • 4–8 PM

Gospel sings are held the second Sunday of every month at various homes. Singing starts at 4 pm and breaks for a covered-dish supper at 6 pm with more singing after supper. This month's Sing will be at the home of Dan Peed in the Kemp Mill area of Montgomery County. Info/directions: call Dan at 301.593.8045.



SACRED HARP SINGING

ALEXANDRIA, VA

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 25 • 4–8 PM

Monthly on the fourth Sunday, singers enjoy the unaccompanied harmonies of the old-time shape-note hymns and fugues in the 1991 edition of

the original *Sacred Harp* and 1958 *Christian Harmony* (loaner books available), with a potluck supper break from 6 to 7. All are welcome. This month, the singing will take place on Thanksgiving weekend, probably in a 2nd-floor classroom that features a large boat. Supper will be in the church hall on ground level, near the kitchen. First Christian Church, 2723 King St.

DOO WOP SING • TAKOMA PARK, MD

HELD QUARTERLY

Do you like harmonies? Join us for our quarterly Doo Wop Sing! The next sing will most likely be held in January. We will sing those great songs from the 1950s and 1960s (e.g., *Blue Moon*, *You're Sixteen*, *My Boyfriend's Back*, *Monday Monday*) that emphasize four-part harmonies. We'll start with a potluck dinner followed by a fun evening of singing. Info, denelson22@gmail.com or 240.506.6569.

CO-SPONSORED

GLEN ECHO INTERNATIONAL FOLKDANCERS • MD

THURSDAYS, 7:30–10:45 PM

Every Thursday at the Church of the Redeemer, 6201 Dunrobbin Dr. (just west of the shopping center across from Glen Echo Park). Lesson at 7:30. Request dances from 9 to 10:45. Mostly recorded music. No partner/experience necessary. Wear comfortable clothing and soft-soled shoes. Adm. \$5. Info: Jamie at 301.466.3018 or dancingplanet@erols.com

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FSGW BOARD MEETINGS

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 7 • 8 PM

The monthly FSGW board meetings will be held in Classroom 201 Arcade Bldg at Glen Echo Park, MD. All FSGW members may attend. If you wish the Board to consider a particular matter, please contact the appropriate board member, or Mary Cliff by e-mail, president@fsgw.org, or call afternoons or evenings 703.534.7581 in advance of the meeting.

FSGW BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

OCTOBER 2, 2012

Members Present: **Mary Cliff, Sue McIver, Richard Aigen, Jerry Stein, Sandy Aubin** (partial), **Betsy Platt** (partial), **Penelope Weinberger** (partial), **RosieLee Salinas, Roxanne Watts** (partial), **Liz Milner, Peter Maier, Janie Meneely.**

Absent: **Lesley Root**

Other attendees: **Nancy McKemie**, Member

- Treasurer **Richard Aigen** reported that the organization's budget showed a small surplus as of August 31, 2012. Fabulous Contrastock II and the square dances set the pace for profitability. FSGW's eagerly awaited annual budget meeting was scheduled for Columbus Day, October 8.
- Dance Chair **Penelope Weinberger** led a serious discussion of behavior at the Sunday Night Contra Dances. The board talked about developing guidelines for contra dancers.

- Led by **Mary Cliff** and **Roxanne Watts**, the Board discussed the best format for reporting Board meeting activities in the monthly Newsletter prior to approval and public availability of the Board's minutes.
- Coordinator of Web Administration **Sandy Aubin** recapped current challenges in improving, maintaining, and operating the FSGW website. The Board discussed whether to hire a project manager to renovate the website with the goal of completing the renovation by early 2014.
- The Board considered a proposal to make a small contribution to help support a Youth Voices event in New England, but deferred final action.
- The Board voted to move next meeting to Wednesday, November 7, to allow some of our board members who are involved in election day activities to attend.

Gift an FSGW Membership for the Holidays!

Purchase an FSGW membership for friends and family and give the gift of music, dance, and community for the whole year, or longer! Benefits of membership include:

FREE:

- ~Concerts
- ~Open Sings/Song Swaps
- ~Story Swaps
- ~Sacred Harp Singing
- ~Gospel Sings
- ~Dance Workshops
- ~Instrumental Workshops
- ~Eleven Monthly Newsletters (July/August is one issue) with area listings, calendar, and news, plus colorful e-mail updates
- ~Washington Folk Festival at Glen Echo

Reduced Admission to:

- ~Weekly contra dance
- ~Weekly English country dance
- ~Weekly International dance
- ~Monthly family dance
- ~The Spring Ball
- ~Two New Years Balls
- ~Getaway Weekend
- ~Chesapeake Dance Weekend
- ~Winter Mini-Festival
- ~special events to members

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Or purchase by going online at www.fsgw.org, and clicking on membership.

Concerts

WAMU'S BLUEGRASS COUNTRY LIVE AT FORTY-FIVE CONCERT • WASHINGTON, DC FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 2 • 8 PM

The hard-driving *Del McCoury Band* headlines, joined by the sibling harmonies of the *Gibson Brothers*. Bluegrass Country talent **Katy Daley** and **Lee Michael Demsey** host the high-energy 45th anniversary of the first bluegrass programming on WAMU radio. George Washington University's Lisner Auditorium, 730 21st St. NW, 20052. \$40, reserve tickets from Lisner box office, lisner.org.

WORLD ON A STRING CONCERT • SILVER SPRING, MD SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 3 • 7 PM

Music from around the world—with blues harmonica master **Phil Wiggins**, Chinese virtuoso **Cathy Yang** on *erhu* and *guzheng*, *Elixir* guitarist **Owen Morrison**, Irish fiddler **Philippe Varlet**, Greek multi-instrumentalist **Spyros Koliavasilis**, percussive dance phenom **Nic Gareiss**, Afro-Peruvian violinist **Javier Godinez**, and more! This follows all-day participatory workshops; see p. 25, at Unitarian Universalist Church of Silver Spring, 10309 New Hampshire Ave. \$20/students \$15 in advance; \$23/18 at the door. Info: www.freydashands.org/woas/ or contact **Andrea Hoag**, 301.565.2777 or mail@freydashands.org.

SWEET POTATO PIE • HERNDON, VA SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 3 • 7:30 PM

An all-girl band performing bluegrass and country music in the best of traditions; great vocal harmonies and mastery of their instruments—a delight to listen to and a fun-loving bunch. Holy Cross Lutheran Church, 1090 Sterling Rd., \$12. Info: **Bob Thompson**, 703.435.8377 or kd4fue2@verizon.net.

IRISH SESSION LADS • SHEPHERDSTOWN, WV FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 16 • 8 PM

Cleek Schrey, dynamic fiddle and piano accompaniment, **Sean McComiskey** drives the rhythm with lively button accordion, and **Stuart Jackson**, “smooth as silk” playing on the Irish uilleann pipes. Shepherdstown Presbyterian Church, corner of King and German St., \$15 adults, \$12 seniors, \$10 members, \$8 students. Part of the weekend retreat, more on page 25. Part of Upper Potomac Irish Music Retreat; more on page 25; info at <http://upmw.smad.us/> Info: **Joanie Blanton updf@earthlink.net**, www.smad.us

JEWISH FESTIVAL CONCERT • WASHINGTON, DC SATURDAY NOVEMBER 17 • 8 PM

Performers include **Flory Jagoda**, **Aaron Shneyer**, **Hannah Spiro**, **Freida Enoch**, **Jessi Roemer**, **Jill Sege** and **Jonathan Tucker**. \$25 general public, \$15 seniors, \$10 youth. Congregation Tifereth Israel 7701 16th Street, An all-day Festival will take place November 18 in Rockville, MD. See page 26 for details. Info at jewishfolkarts-festival.com. Info: **Esther Siegel** 301.587.1739, info@jewishfolkartsfestival.com

AL PETTEWAY & AMY WHITE • TAKOMA PARK, MD SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 17 • 7:30 PM

CD release concert of Amy's original songs accompanied by Al. The duo is well known and are GRAMMY winners; featured on many of Ken Burns' sweeping documentaries including “The National Parks - America's Greatest Idea.” \$20 adv/\$25 door, student \$15/20. Institute of Musical Traditions, Takoma Park Community Center, 7500 Maple Ave., 20912, 301.960.3655, www.imtfolk.org

JIMMY GAUDREAU & ORRIN STAR • HERNDON, VA SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 24 • 7:30 PM

Annual Thanksgiving concert by two bluegrass legends. Jimmy is a master mandolinist while Orrin is a national flat-picking guitar champion and one funny guy. Their music ranges from bluegrass to country to jazz with a touch of folk to round things out. This is always a GREAT show! Holy Cross Lutheran Church, 1090 Sterling Road, \$15. Info: **Bob Thompson**, 703.435.8377 or kd4fue2@verizon.net.

CATHY FINK & MARCY MARXER'S ANNUAL WINTER FAMILY CONCERT • ROCKVILLE, MD SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 24 • 2 PM

Cathy & Marcy present their 27th annual Winter Family Concert, with special guest **Robbie Schaefer**. Bring your uke, guitar, washboard, kazoo, or whatever for an audience play-along. Cathy and Marcy will be collecting unwrapped toys for children for the Marvelous Toy Drive. \$12 adv./\$14 door. Institute of Musical Traditions, Saint Mark Presbyterian Church, 10701 Old Georgetown Rd., 301.960.3655, www.imtfolk.org

DC LABOR CHORUS • TAKOMA PARK, MD SATURDAY, DECEMBER 1 • 3 PM & 7:30 PM

The *DC Labor Chorus* presents its annual Concert of Favorite and Sacred Songs—two performances this year!

CONCERTS continued

Family-friendly concert of songs from many traditions, all delivered with the **DC Labor Chorus'** characteristic spirit and verve. Free, but donations appreciated. Takoma Park Community Center auditorium, 7500 Maple Avenue, Info at www.dclaborchorus.org, or **Elise Bryant** at **301.526.6236**.

BIRCHMERE CONCERT HALL

3701 Mt. Vernon Ave., Alexandria, VA 22305; all shows begin at 7:30 pm; www.birchmere.com

November

- 3 Al Stewart**, British folk-rock + **Rachael Sage** opens; \$29.50
- 18 An Evening with Sam Bush & Del McCoury**, bluegrass; \$39.50
- 23 & 24 The Seldom Scene + Dry Branch Fire Squad**; \$35

THE BARNs AT WOLF TRAP

1635 Trap Rd., Vienna, VA 22182 www.wolftrap.org

November

- 3 Jonathan Edwards**, folk-rock; \$24; 7:30 pm
- 8 Tim O'Brien**, Americana + guest **Old Man Luedecke**, Nova Scotia singer-songwriter; \$24; 8 pm
- 10 Julie Murphy Wells** (of *Eddie from Ohio*); \$25; 8 pm
- 15 Howard Levy**, eclectic harmonica, & **Chris Siebold**, guitar; \$25; 8 pm

30 Eileen Ivers & Immigrant Soul, Irish; \$27; 8 pm

THE HAMILTON

600 14th St. (14th & F), NW, Washington, DC 20005; show times may vary www.thehamiltondc.com

November

- 16 Brother Josephus & the Love Revival**, "secular gospel," \$20, 8:30
- 17 Mudcat (Danny Dudeck)**, blues, \$20, 8:30
- 18 Bobby "Blue" Bland**, blues/r&b, \$33-43.50, 7:30
- 27 Coco Montoya + John Hammond**, blues \$27.50, 7:30

CONCERT SERIES

Sundays

333 COFFEEHOUSE • ANNAPOLIS, MD

Sunday, November 4, 7 pm **Peter Mayer** at Unitarian Universalist Church of Annapolis \$12 adv/\$15 door (fsgw.org/333/)

CELTIC CONCERTS

AT THE OLD BROGUE IRISH PUB

760-C Walker Rd., Great Falls, VA 22066 in the Village Centre. Two sittings: 5 and 7 p.m. Reservations recommended; call **703.759.3309**. **Barbara T. Ryan**,

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SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 10

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3:30 pm (best for ages 3-8)
\$10 adults, \$5 children

NIELDS EVENING CONCERT

local favorite *LEA* will open the show
7:30 pm concert: \$20 adults
\$15 ages 18 & under



6 pm reception: \$45 adults
\$25 ages 18 & under

Cultural Arts Center, Montgomery College – Takoma Park/Silver Spring
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November

- 4 The *John Byrne Band*—Irish traditional
- 11 **Maggie Sansone, Andrea Hoag and Sharon Knowles**—hammered dulcimer, fiddle, Celtic harp
- 18 **IONA**—high-energy, traditional pan-Celtic
- 25 **Bruce Molsky**—world-renowned New World Celt

FOCUS ALEXANDRIA • ALEXANDRIA, VA

November 18—*Phil Ochs Song Night, Maggie, Kim & Reggie Harris, Pat Wictor, Greg Greenway and John Flynn* \$25. 2280 N. Beaugard St., 22311. Info: 703.501.6061, kay@focusmusic.org or www.focusmusic.org

Mondays

**INSTITUTE OF MUSICAL TRADITIONS
ROCKVILLE, MD
MONDAYS • 7:30 PM**

Saint Mark Presbyterian Church, 10701 Old Georgetown Road, 20852, www.imtfolk.org

November 5—*Furnace Mountain*; the bluegrass quartet from the Shenandoah Valley (**Dave Van Deventer, Morgan Morrison, Danny Knicely and Aimee Curl**) celebrates the release of their new CD. \$15 adv./\$19 door, Student \$11 adv./\$15 door. •

Tuesdays

**FOCUS ROCKVILLE • ROCKVILLE, MD
TUESDAYS • 8 PM**

Our home is at the Unitarian Universalist Church of Rockville. Concerts are usually the second and fourth Tuesday of each month at 8 p.m. 100 Welsh Park Dr., 20850. Admission \$18/15, www.focusmusic.org, 301.275.7459

November

- 27 **Lea**—blend of folk and jazz and a voice like honey



**FOLK-CLUB OF RESTON-HERNDON
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 13 • 7:15 PM**

Bryan Bowers—leading virtuoso on the autoharp; great stage presence. Tickets: DAHurd-Sr@cs.com; \$11 Members, \$12 non-members; Amphora Diner Deluxe, 1151 Elden St, doors open at 6.

Wednesdays

**INSTITUTE OF MUSICAL TRADITIONS
TAKOMA PARK, MD • 7:30 PM**

Takoma Park Community Center, 7500 Maple Ave. 301.960.3655

November

- 7 **Annalivia**—Bluegrass and Celtic—New CD release, *The Same Way Down*. \$18 adv./\$22 door, Student \$14/18
- 14 **Winifred Horan, Mick McAuley & Colm O’Caoimh**; the fiddler and the accordion player from the Irish supergroup *Solas* plus an extraordinary guitarist in a CD release concert \$22 adv./\$26 door, Student \$18 adv./\$22 door.

Thursdays

**BALDWIN’S STATION • SYKESVILLE, MD
THURSDAYS • 8 PM**

7618 Main St, Sykesville, MD. Shows begin at 8. Accessible to people with disabilities. Info: 410.795.1041, www.uptownconcerts.com, or uptownconcerts@gmail.com

- November 4: Special Sunday: **Molasses Creek**, \$15
- November 15: **John Flynn**; \$17

**HOLLERTOWN • NE WASHINGTON, DC
3RD THURSDAYS, NOVEMBER 15 • 9 PM**

Bluegrass, old-time, and the kitchen sink. An enthusiastic trio to tap your toes to! It’s fun and it’s free! www.hollertown.com SOVA, 1359 H Street, NE sovadc.com

**LIVE BLUES SERIES • SILVER SPRING
THURSDAYS • 7–9 PM**

Live Acoustic Blues at El Golfo Restaurant, 8739 Flower Ave. Silver Spring, Md. 20901. Cover \$5 includes a free drink. Please check the website or e-mail for info. Takomadave@gmail.com, www.elgolforestaurant.com

Fridays



**CELLAR STAGE • BALTIMORE, MD
FRIDAYS • 8 PM**

The Faith Community United Methodist Church, 5315 Harford Road, Info: 410.521.9099 or www.uptownconcerts@gmail.com

November

- 8 **Pam Ortiz** CD release [with **Bob Ortiz, Ford Schumann, Nevin Dawson and Mike Buccino**] *The Honey Dewdrops* open - \$16

November

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	
				
4	5	Election Day! 6	7	7 pm 7 7:30 7:30 7:45 8 8 8:15
10 am Annapolis Jam 4 pm Scottish Jam -Wheaton 4 Alpine Dancers 2:45 Glen Echo Waltz 5 & 7 Old Brogue Celtic 7pm Baldwin's Station: <i>Molasses Creek</i> 7:30 FSGW CONTRA DANCE APRIL BLUM WITH RHAPSODY DANCE BAND FESTIVAL OF TRADITIONAL MUSIC EISTEDDFOD 2012 (NY)	7 pm DC Bluegrass Jam 7:30 Bethesda Int'l Folk Dance 7:30 Arlington Morris 7:30 IMT Rockville <i>Furnace Mountain</i> 8 Balkan Singing 8 Baltimore English Country Dance 8 Bethesda Scottish Country Dance	7 pm Israeli Dancing 7:15 Reston/Herndon Folk Club 8 Greenbelt Scottish Country Dance 8 Sea Chanteys Wheaton, MD	7:30 pm IMT Concert Takoma Park -Annalivia 7:45 Rock Creek Morris Women 8 FSGW BOARD MEETING 8 FSGW ENGLISH COUNTRY DANCE 8 Baltimore Contra Dance 8 Alexandria Scottish CountryDance 8 Columbia Int'l Folk Dance	7 pm 7 7:30 7:30 7:45 8 8 8:15
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22 Thanksgiving Day! BFMS Burn-Off-The-Calories Contra Dance 	23 8 pm Potter's House Open Mic 8:30 Greenbelt Int'l Folk Dance 8:30 Friday Night Contra Dance	24 1 pm Archie Edwards Jam 2 Cathy Fink/Marcy Marxer Annual Winter Family Concert 6:30 Chevy Chase Barn Dance 7:30 Jimmy Gaudreau/Orrin Star Herndon, VA Concert 8 PM FSGW PROGRAM: KNOX PRESB. CHURCH, FALLS CHURCH, VA ED MILLER 8 Frederick Contra Dance 8 Israeli Dance Party
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FSGW Advance Notice

Saturday, December 22 • 8 pm

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DANCE WEEKEND

CAMP LETTS, EDGEWATER, MD

Saturday, June 1–2, 2013

33RD ANNUAL

WASHINGTON FOLK

FESTIVAL

Glen Echo Park, MD

October 4–7, 2013

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ALL OF 2014!



CONCERTS continued

30 *Celtic Christmas* with **Robin Bullock**, **Ken Kolodner** and **Elke Baker** (guitar/bouzouki, hammered dulcimer & fiddles) - \$24

POTTER'S HOUSE BENEFIT CONCERTS WASHINGTON, DC

Potter's House, 1658 Columbia Rd NW, easy Metro access and off street parking available. Good music, good food, for a good cause. Doors open at 7 with the show beginning as early as 7:30 p.m. Benefit concerts, \$15 suggested donation; open mic night free. Info: **202.232.5483** or www.PottersHouseDC.org

CARROLL CAFÉ AT SEEKERS CHURCH • TAKOMA DC FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 16 • 7:30 PM

Singer-songwriter **Kate Campbell's** endearing, clear-water vocal delivery, eloquent gift for storytelling and easy command of a full-range of American music styles, including soul, R&B, Southern rock, country, and folk music, have combined to earn Campbell recognition as a formidable talent by critics, musicians and a discerning public. 276 Carroll St. NW at Takoma Metro. \$15. www.carrollcafe.org; info@carrollcafe.org Find us on Facebook. Info: **Jesse Palidofsky 301.562.4147** or **202.829.9882** night of show ONLY.

333 COFFEEHOUSE • ANNAPOLIS, MD FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 16 • 7:30 PM

Bill Staines— NOTE: This Coffeehouse has become a function of the Annapolis Traditional Dance Society, contradancers.com/atds. The Annapolis Friends Meeting House, 351 DuBois Rd, off Bestgate Ave. Acoustic music. Dessert and coffee available in this smoke and alcohol-free environment. Doors open at 7:30. \$10, \$8 for seniors/students. Info: **443.333.9613** or www.fsgw.org/333

Saturdays

PETER MAYER AND CAREY CREED SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 3 • 7 PM

Peter Mayer, Minnesota singer-songwriter + **Carey Creed** opens; "Songs for a Small Planet" at Rockville United Church 355 Linthicum St., Rockville, MD 20851; \$12adv/\$15door; rockvilleunitedchurch.org

FOCUS MOUNT VERNON • ALEXANDRIA, VA SATURDAY, DECEMBER 1 • 7 PM

John Flynn and Marc Douglas Berardo— songs of hope, compassion and shared humanity. St Aidan's Episcopal Church, 8531 Riverside Rd, 22308. **703.975.8027** Venue Host: **Mark Gilliam** \$15/18, www.focusmusic.org

Dances

COMMUNITY/FAMILY

Saturdays

GALESVILLE COMMUNITY DANCE AND POTLUCK GALESVILLE, MD

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 24 • 7–10 PM

Bring your Thanksgiving guests out for some fun! Live music, traditional Appalachian dance tunes played by **Leah Weiss** (fiddle), **Gary Wright** (guitar), and Friends. Dance squares, circles, longway sets & waltzes; **Janine Smith** calling the figures. ALL ages welcome! Join us at 6 for a potluck, at 7 for family-friendly dancing and from 8:30-10 for more challenging dancing. Adults \$10, ages 5-17 \$5, under 5: free. Galesville Memorial Hall, 952 Galesville Road, Galesville MD (Near Annapolis)

<http://communitysquaredance.wordpress.com/> More info: **301.926.9142**

Sundays

The FSGW Family Dance
is listed on page 8.

CONTRA

Sundays

THE FSGW SUNDAY NIGHT DANCES
ARE LISTED ON PAGE 7.

Wednesdays



BALTIMORE FOLK MUSIC SOCIETY • MD WEDNESDAYS • 8–10:30 PM

Beginners are always welcome. **New-dancer workshops to be held at 7:30 on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays.* Nationally-known musicians and callers appear regularly. Members \$9; non-members \$13; member/non-member students with ID \$4/\$6. Lovely Lane Church, 2200 St. Paul St., 21218.

November

- 7 **Michael Barraclough** calls to **Elke Baker** (fiddle), and **Paul Oorts** (guitar, mandolin).
- 14 **Sargon de Jesus** calls to *Cabaret Sauvignon*—**Karen Ashbrook** (hammered dulcimer, flute), **Andrea Hoag** (fiddle), **Paul Oorts** (harp guitar, mandolin, musette accordion), and **David Wiesler** (piano, guitar).
- 21 TBA
- 28 **George Mercer** calls to the *Baltimore Open Band*.

Thursday

BURN-OFF-THE-CALORIES DANCE
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 22
8–10:30 PM



BFMS will hold its 9th annual Thanksgiving day Burn-Off-the-Calories Dance, an all-volunteer evening featuring an open band led by **Liz Donaldson** and open mic for callers (English, contras, squares). Cost \$8 members (BFMS, FSGW, ATDS, CDSS); \$10 nonmembers, half price for kids. Student discount. There will be easier, kid- and beginner-friendly dances from 8-8:30. Bring your leftover deserts to share (they lose calories in transit). St. Mark's-on-the-Hill Parish Hall. 1620 Reisterstown Rd., Pikesville, MD. To sign up to call, or for info, contact **Perry Shafran** at pshaf@yahoo.com or 301.717.6454.



Fridays

FRIDAY NIGHT DANCERS
GLEN ECHO PARK, MD
FRIDAYS • 8:30–11:30 PM

The Friday Night Dancers (in cooperation with the National Park Service, Montgomery County, and the Glen Echo Park Partnership for Arts and Culture) sponsor weekly contra dances to live music in the historic Glen Echo Spanish Ballroom, 7300 MacArthur Blvd. New-dancer classes at 7:30, dances at 8:30. \$9 for the lesson and dance. Info: www.fridaynightdance.org. or call 301.634.2222. On Facebook at Friday Night Dance at Glen Echo Park.

November

- 2 **Anna Rain** calls to *Gigmeisters*; **Alexander Mitchell** on fiddle, **Paul Oorts** on chromatic accordion and mandolin, **Ralph Gordon** on bass and **Dave Weisler** on piano and guitar. This dance will be held in the Bumper Car Pavillion.
- 9 **Ted Hodapp** calls to the *Glen Echo Open Band*. Free 17 and under.

- 16 **Ridge Kennedy** calls to *Big Phat American K-Lee Band* with **Bill Quern** on mandolin, banjo and fiddle, **Steve Epstein** on clarinet and sax, **Ross Harris** on alto and soprano sax, **Doug Healy** on electric bass, **Rick Mohr** on fiddle and melodeon, **Adlai Waksman** on accordion, **Sarah Gowan** on guitar and concertina and **Joe De Paulo** on percussion.
- 23 **Michael Barraclough** calls to *Serpentine Big Band*; **Charlie Pilzer** on piano, **Andrea Hoag** on fiddle and TBA.
- 30 **Kristin Seibert** calls to *Gypsy Meltdown*; **Kathy Kerr** on fiddle and mandolin, **Colleen Reed** on flute and sax, **Keith Gillis** on guitar.

Saturdays

SHEPHERDSTOWN DANCE • WV
1ST SATURDAYS • 8–11 PM

November 3— **David Giusti** calls to *Rambling House*. As usual, we'll be at the War Memorial Building, "102 E. German St. Beginners' workshop, 7:30; dance will start at 8. All levels welcome, no partner needed. Please wear clean, soft-soled shoes to protect the floor. \$10 adults, \$7 SMD members, \$4 dancers under 12. Potluck snacks at the break. Info: www.smad.us or call **Becky** at 304.876.2169

2ND ANNUAL LURAY CONTRA DANCE • LURAY, VA
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 3 • 3–11 PM

Dance and share a potluck supper in the beautiful Shenandoah Valley. 3 to 5:30—advanced contras, 5:30 to 6:45—supper (please bring a dish and a card with the ingredients written on it), 7 to 11—evening contra. **Gaye Fifer** calls to *Floorplay*. The Warehouse Art Gallery, 15 Campbell Street. \$20. Register with **Jim Faruki** at jmfaruki@yahoo.com or call 703.402.8080.

BALTIMORE CONTRA DANCE
SECOND SATURDAYS • 7:30–11 PM

November 10—**Greg Frock** calls to *Audio Snakes*. Orientation and style points for seasoned dancers at 7:30. Contra from 8 to 11. No experience or partner necessary, all welcome. \$9/13/4/6. St Mark's on the Hill, 1620 Reisterstown Rd., Info: **Rebecca** at nutritionexpeditions@yahoo.com

RESTON, VA, CONTRA DANCE
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 10 • 8–10:45 PM

Kim Forry calls the first of four fall-winter contra dances to the music of the *June Apple Band*. Introductory

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workshop 7:15-8. (No dance in December.) Admission: \$9 (workshop free). Partner not necessary. Snacks for the break welcome (juice provided). Reston Community Center, 2310 Colts Neck Rd., in the Hunters Woods Center. Info: anote20@gmail.com

ANNAPOLIS, MD CONTRA AND SQUARE DANCE 3RD SATURDAYS • 7–10 PM

November 17—Local lady **Kappy Lanning** will teach and call dances to the lively music of *The Metrognomes*, **McGregor Yatsevitch**, **Mark Vidor** and **Bob Garber**. Introductory class at 6:30; all dances taught and walked through and all ages welcome. \$10 with discounts for seniors, students, families and members of Annapolis Traditional Dance Society (ATDS). Snacks to share at the break are welcome! Friends Meeting Hall, 351 DuBois Rd., 21401. Info: **Ann Fallon** at **410.268.0231**, aefallon@verizon.net; www.contradancers.com/atds

BLUEMONT DANCE • HILLSBORO, VA 3RD SATURDAYS • 8 PM

November 17—Lesson at 7:30. Admission is \$10, \$7 for Bluemont Friends, students and seniors. Held through May at The Old Stone School; 37089 Charles Town Pike. Caller tba + *The Fugitive Hedgehogs*. Check www.bluemont.org for details. The Bluemont dances are planned by a committee of volunteers. We welcome anyone who would like to help. If interested, call **540.955.8186**, or write to info@bluemont.org

LANCASTER, PA CONTRA DANCE 3RD SATURDAYS • 8–11 PM

November 17—**Susan Hankin** calls to *The New Old-Timers* with **Sarah Slaughter**, **Henry Koretzky** and **Paul Sidlick**. St John's Episcopal Church, 321 W. Chestnut St. Beginners' workshop 7:15; \$8/\$5. Info: **Karen** at **717.951.4317** or www.lancastercontra.org

FAUX BARN DANCE • CHEVY CHASE, MD SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 24 • 6:30–10:30 PM

Faux Barn Dance at the Stone House at Meadowbrook. *Lowdown Hoedown* (**Andrea Hoag** and **Charlie Pilzer**) plays contras to the calling of **Farmer David Giusti**. 7901 Meadowbrook Lane, Chevy Chase. Benefit for Brickyard Educational Farm, requested donation \$6–20. Info: **Neil Zimmerman**, **301.340.0352**, Facebook page: search for Washington Barn Dance Society.

FREDERICK CONTRA DANCE • FREDERICK, MD 4TH SATURDAYS • 8–11 PM

November 24—**DeLaura Padovan** calls to *Devine Comedy*. At the Trinity School, near Harry Grove Stadium. Free beginners' workshop at 7. Adults, \$10, students \$5. Info/directions: www.contradancers.com or call **Boe Walker** at **301.694.6794**



SAVE THE DATE! BFMS MIDWINTER BALL BALTIMORE, MD SATURDAY, JANUARY 12, 2013 6–11:30 PM

The theme is Time Travel. Dress in the style of your favorite era. Winter whites, silvers, blues and all colors of the rainbow are encouraged. **Adina Gordon** calls to *Nor'Easter*. 6 p.m.—reception, 7:30—grand march, 7:40—contra and couple dancing. Tickets and flyer available at www.bfms.org/midwinter.php. For questions, contact **Joyce Duffy-Bilanow** at midwinter@bfms.org or **410.608.6731**.

ENGLISH COUNTRY

Mondays

BALTIMORE FOLK MUSIC SOCIETY ENGLISH DANCE • PIKESVILLE, MD MONDAYS • 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. New-dancer orientation first Wednesday at 7:45. Admission \$8 Members, \$11 Non-members, \$2 student discount. St. Mark's on the Hill Parish Hall, 1620 Reisterstown Rd., 21208. Info: **Emily Aubrey** at **410.433.4419** or engdance@bfms.org

November

- 5 **Ann Fallon** calling to the *Geud Band of Baltimore*.
- 12 **Laura Schultz** calling to **Jeff Steinberg** (violin), **Marty Taylor** (recorders and concertina), and **Liz Donaldson** (piano).
- 19 **Mike Franch** calling to **Carl Friedman** (violin), **Dave Crandall** (winds), and **Judy Meyers** (piano).
- 26 **Carl Friedman** calling to **Becky Ross** (violin), **Robin Wilson** (flute and concertina) and **Jonathan Jensen** (piano).

*Saturdays***ENGLISH COUNTRY DANCE • SILVER SPRING, MD
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 10 • 8–10:45 PM**

At Glen Haven Elementary School, 10900 Inwood Ave. (parking and entrance in rear). with dancing to music by *Peascods Gathering* and calling by **Bob Farrall**. Beginners and singles welcome. \$5. Info: **Carl Minkus 301.493.6281 (cminkus@verizon.net)**, **Bob Farrall 301.577.5018**

**THE LEESBURG ASSEMBLY DANCE • GREAT FALLS, VA
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 17 • 7:30–10:30 PM**

Tom Spilsbury will call to music by *Kitchen Gorilla*. Check the website for info. Saint Francis Episcopal Church, 9220 Georgetown Pike, 4.7 miles from the Beltway. \$10. \$5 for high school students. Refreshments. Info: **David Pacelli at 703.757.8648, www.theleesburgassembly.org**

*Sundays***ECD4FUN • GLEN ECHO, MD
2ND SUNDAYS • 2:30–5:30 PM**

November 11— English Country Dances For Fun is a monthly series concentrating on simpler, fun dances suitable for new dancers and dancers of other dance forms. Experienced dancers are welcome as good role models. All dances taught, walked through and called. In cooperation with the National Park Service, Montgomery County, and the Glen Echo Park Partnership for Arts and Culture. In the Ballroom Annex at Glen Echo Park. \$10. Info: **www.michaelbarraclough.com/ECD4FUN** or **703.992.0752**.

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INTERNATIONAL*Sundays***ALPINE DANCERS • NEW CARROLLTON, MD
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 11 • 4–6:30**

No rehearsals in October due to our performing schedule. Alpine Dancers are a performing and teaching folk dance group specializing in graceful and lively couples and trio dances from Austria, Germany, and Switzerland. Looking for energetic beginners. Free, open practice at New Carrollton Municipal Center, 6016 Princess Garden

Pkwy on the 20th. For info: **www.alpinedancers.org, caroltraxler@yahoo.com** or **301.577.3503**.

*Mondays***BETHESDA INTERNATIONAL FOLK DANCERS • MD
MONDAYS • 7:30–10 PM**

Come join a very friendly group and learn dances from all over the world. Beginners 7:30–8, intermediate/advanced 8–10. Mostly request dancing 9:15–10. No partner necessary, all ages and levels of expertise welcome. Wood floor; mostly recorded music. Lawton Community Center, 4301 Willow Ln. 20815. Classes here require registration with Montgomery County. Forms available at the class. \$7 per class. Info: **Phyllis or Brandon Diamond at 301.871.8788, www.diamonddancecircle.com, or diamonddancecircle@comcast.net**

*Wednesdays***COLUMBIA INTERNATIONAL FOLK DANCING • MD
WEDNESDAYS, • 8–10:30 PM**

Dancing is from 8:30 to 10:30 at Kahler Hall with a class at 8. Cost: \$5, Senior, \$3. Info: **Ethel at 410.997.1613, or Ed at 410.740.2309. www.columbiafolkdancers.org**

*Thursdays***CHEVY CHASE INTERNATIONAL FOLK DANCERS
WASHINGTON, DC
THURSDAYS • 7:30–9:30 PM**

Chevy Chase Community Center, 5601 Connecticut Ave., NW (at McKinley). Instruction and walk-through until 8:30. All levels welcome, no partner necessary. Recorded music. Leader: **Roland Forbes**. For info: **Naomi Rogers at 301.438.0063**

**CIRCLE DANCE • ARLINGTON, VA
THURSDAYS • 7:45–9:45 PM**

Come and explore dances from all over the world in a spirit of meditation and joy. All dances are taught. Recorded music. Unitarian Universalist Church of Arlington, Rte 50 at George Mason Dr. Donation requested. Info: **Judie David at 703.451.2595 or Vedavid@starpower.net**



DANCES continued

MOUNT VERNON INTERNATIONAL FOLK DANCING • ALEXANDRIA, VA THURSDAYS • 8–10 PM

Beginners to advanced—all are welcome! Easy dances 8 to 8:30, followed by requests and advanced instruction. Join our friendly, diverse group on a beautiful dance floor. No partner necessary. Donation \$4. Mt Vernon Unitarian Church, 1909 Windmill Lane. Info: **Patricia** at 703.535.3333 or pdw@patriciadaywilliams.com

Fridays

GREENBELT INTERNATIONAL FOLK DANCING • MD FRIDAYS • 8:30–10:45 PM

The focus is dance from Eastern Europe and Scandinavia. No partner or experience necessary. Beautiful dance floor. Teaching 8:30 to 9:15, requests 9:15 to 10:45. \$7; \$12 on 1st Fridays (live music). Greenbelt Community Center Dance Studio, 15 Crescent Rd. Info: **Larry Weiner** at 301.565.0539, larry@larryweiner.com or www.larryweiner.com/FridayDance.htm

Saturdays

CCE CEILI • HERNDON, VA SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 10 • 7:30–10:30 PM

Music by the *Bogwanderers*. Lesson at 7. CCE members \$12, non-members \$15 family max. 2739 West Ox Rd., 20171. Info: ccepotomac.org. Info: **Sharon Kourz**, 703.631.9179, or kourpsc@cox.net

ISRAELI

ISRAELI DANCING • CHEVY CHASE, MD TUESDAYS • 7–10:15 PM

Instruction from 7 to 7:45. The group focuses on building a repertoire of both classic and newer Israeli dances in a friendly, welcoming atmosphere. Recorded music. Light refreshments served. Ohr Kodesh Congregation, 8300 Meadowbrook Lane, 20815. \$8/adults, \$6/students. Info: **Mike Fox** at 240.424.0805, www.markidmike.com or markidmike@gmail.com

ISRAELI DANCING • GREENBELT, MD SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 24 • 8–11 PM

Israeli “Oldies” party (dances before 1990). Recorded music, light refreshments. Cost \$5. Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Rd., 20770. Info: **Ben Hole**, 301.441.8213, ben.hole@verizon.net

MORRIS

ARLINGTON NORTHWEST MORRIS • VA MONDAYS • 7:30–9 PM

Learn and perform the traditional morris dances of Northwest England, which combine simple footwork with power and precision. We are a welcoming group of women who practice in a great place with a wooden floor (easier on your knees) at the Unitarian Universalist Church of Arlington, Arlington Blvd. & George Mason Dr. Info: suzelise@comcast.net or nwdancers@comcast.net

ROCK CREEK MORRIS WOMEN • SILVER SPRING, MD WEDNESDAYS • 7:45–9:45 PM

Learn to dance in the ancient English morris tradition, and you'll get all the aerobics you need. Join a strong community that dances, plays, sings, and drinks together.

Montgomery Knolls Elementary School, 807 Daleview Dr., 20901. Info: 301.927.6373, louiseneu@earthlink.net or www.uswet.com/RCMW.html

FOGGY BOTTOM MORRIS MEN NW WASHINGTON, DC THURSDAYS • 8–10 PM

Experience the vigorous thrill of the morris and the camaraderie of a morris team! Learn and perform dances from English Cotswold villages, mummers' plays and occasional long-sword dances. We welcome new and slightly used dancers to our practices at Knock on Wood Tap Studio, 6925 Willow St., NW D.C. and/or at the pub afterwards. squire@fbmm.org, Alan Peel at 301.920.1912, www.fbmm.org

SCANDINAVIAN

NORWEGIAN DANCE & POTLUCK TAKOMA PARK, MD SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 3 • POTLUCK 6:30, DANCING 8 PM

Norwegian-style house party. Halloween theme—costumes encouraged. Bring clean shoes to wear, food to share, and \$\$ you can spare. Mesmerizing live music by foremost-in-US **Loretta Kelley** on the unique Hardanger fiddle (see HFAA.org). Addictive dances, some with elements like Swing or Hambo. Beginners, singles/couples, watchers/listeners all welcome. Host **Loretta's** phone just in case: 301.270.4925. Info/dirs: <http://MAND.fanitull.org> or **Jenny**, pi@xecu.net, 301.371.4312

**SCANDINAVIAN DANCE • GREENBELT, MD
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 17 • 7–10 PM**

Scandia DC sponsors a 3rd Saturday dance. This month's live fiddle will feature music by **Göran Olsson**, a talented fiddler from Jämtland, Sweden currently living in the DC area. No partners necessary. Teaching 7 to 8: *Jämtpolska* from Ramsele—a lively, fun dance from northern Sweden, followed by open dancing. Greenbelt Community Center Dance Studio (wood floor) at 15 Crescent Rd. \$7. Info: **202.333.2826**, linda@scandiadc.org, www.scandiadc.org.

SCOTTISH

*“Sic as ye gie, sic wull ye gie” –
(Scottish for: You'll get out of life as much as you put in!)*

**SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCE • BETHESDA, MD
MONDAYS • 8–10 PM**

NIH Building T-39 (Dance and Aerobic Center). \$5. Call/e-mail in advance for directions. Info: **John MacLeod**, **301.622.5945** or blackolav@cs.com

**SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCE • GREENBELT, MD
TUESDAYS • 8–10 PM**

Dance all year 'round at the Greenbelt Community Center. \$5. Info: www.rscds.greaterdc.org or **Jay Andrews** at andrewj@erols.com or **703.719.0596**

**SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCE • ALEXANDRIA, VA
WEDNESDAYS • 8–9:45 PM**

Learn Scottish dance at the Durant Center, 1605 Cameron St. 22314. \$5. Info: lara.bainbridge@gmail.com or elanyi@cox.net

SWING/BLUES

**SLOW BLUES AND SWING • GLEN ECHO, MD
THURSDAYS • 8:15–11:30 PM**

Popular weekly Blues Dance in the “back room.” Come early as it is selling out. Beginner lesson from 8:15 to 9. DJ **Mike Marcotte** and guests play incredible blues from 9 to 11:30. \$8 for lesson and dance. Sprung sold wood floor. Info: **Donna Barker** at **301.634.2231** or www.CapitalBlues.org

WALTZ/TEA DANCE

WALTZ • GLEN ECHO PARK, MD

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 18 • 2:45–6 PM

Dance to the music of *Rhapsody* on the 4th, and *Waltz Wizards* on the 18th, both in the Spanish Ballroom. They'll play a lively mix of folk waltzes with a few other couples dances, including Swing, and Foxtrot. Our beginner waltz lesson begins at 2:45 with the last 15 minutes dedicated to a more advanced move. Admission is \$10. No partner required. For info: go to www.WaltzTimeDances.org, e-mail info@WaltzTimeDances.org, or call **Glen Echo Park** at **301.634.2222**. 7300 MacArthur Blvd., 20812.

HOT SOCIETY DANCE • GLEN ECHO PARK, MD

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 25 • 3–6 PM

Hot Society Orchestra of Washington, featuring music and dances from the '20s, '30s and '40s. Foxtrot, two-step, waltz, cha-cha, rumba, swing and more in the Spanish Ballroom. No partner or experience necessary. Samba lesson at 3:00. \$14. Info: **Dave Tucker**, **703.861.8218**, www.glenechopark.org or www.hotsociety.net.

CAJUN/ZYDECO

CAJUN/ZYDECO • GLEN ECHO PARK, MD

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 11 • 3–6 PM

Zydeco dance party in the Spanish Ballroom featuring *Dennis Stroughmatt and Creole Stomp*. The 30-minute Zydeco dance lesson given by **Michael Hart and Sharon Schiliro** begins at 3. Admission is \$15. No partner required. Info: **Michael Hart** at **301.762.6730** or go to www.DancingbytheBayou.com.



Classes

NOVEMBER 13, 20, & 27 • 7:30–9:30 PM

Beginning, advanced dancers welcome. Beginners learn Hambo, Schottish, Waltz, *Zwiefacher*, and other couple turning dances. Advanced dancers learn *Springleik*, *Boda*, *Orsa*, *Föllinge*, *Finnskogspols*, *Gammalvänster*, *Telespringar*, and requests. Sometimes live music. Wear smooth-soled shoes for turning, not running shoes. \$5. First time free. Info: **Lisa Brooks** at 240.731.1935, lisa@HamboDC.org, or www.HamboDC.org.

Directions: Enter NIH at Wisconsin Av. and the new Gateway Drive Visitor Entrance (south of South Dr., reachable ONLY from the north on Wisconsin Av.). Park there, or drive to the south center of NIH and park in NIH permit parking next to Building T-39. Or walk 12 minutes from the Medical Center metro stop. See map at www.HamboDC.org.

SCOTTISH FIDDLE CLUB

Please check the website for details and updates.

Scottish tunes learned by ear, then some learned with music, followed by a potluck and jam session. Occurs monthly; for the location and teacher, check <http://www.potomacvalleyscottishfiddle.org/> For additional info, contact Rhonda@RhondaHotop.com or 703.992.0752.

MUSIC, DANCE AND THE ARTS AT GLEN ECHO PARK • GLEN ECHO, MD

Choose from a wide variety of dance classes for all levels—includes Irish, waltz, and ballroom dancing. As well, take your musical skills to the next level — guitar, flute, bouzouki, voice, and so much more. Crafts, photography, children's classes also offered. Many classes are taught by FSGW members. See www.glenechopark.com for a complete schedule.

Jams/Open Mics/Audience Participation

Sundays

ANNAPOLIS ACOUSTIC JAM • ANNAPOLIS, MD EVERY SUNDAY • 10 AM–12:30 PM

Indoors at the Visitor Center, Quiet Waters Park. Info: ken.i.mayer@gmail.com

SCOTTISH TRADITIONAL MUSIC JAM WHEATON, MD 1ST SUNDAYS • 4–7 PM

The Royal Mile Pub, open again; 2407 Price Ave., 20902. Musicians welcome. Info: dcscottishsession.blogspot.com or contact **Peter Walker** at boghadubh@gmail.com

CABOMA JAM • ARLINGTON, VA 2ND AND 4TH SUNDAYS • 2 PM

Capitol Area Bluegrass and Old-Time Music Association (CABOMA) holds jams the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month. Lyon Park Community Center, corner of N. Fillmore and Pershing, 22201. Info: **Dave** at 301.274.3441.

SACRED HARP SINGING • SANDY SPRING, MD 3RD SUNDAYS • 4–6 PM

Singing is followed by a potluck supper. Contact **Kent Beck** at 301.774.3183 or kent.beck@ssfs.org to confirm. Location: Small schoolhouse behind Community Building, 17801 Meetinghouse Rd, 20860, about 10 miles west of Laurel, MD.

Mondays

BALKAN SINGING • TAKOMA PARK, MD EVERY MONDAY • 8 PM

Informal singing group, *Sedenka*, meets in Northwest DC/Takoma Park to sing Balkan village songs. Interested novices welcome. Info: **Katya**, 301.270.4175 or **Katya** at partan.com, or **Joan** at 202.363.6197.

DC BLUEGRASS UNION VFW BLUEGRASS JAM TAKOMA PARK, MD 1ST & 3RD MONDAYS • 7–10 PM

Free. Non-smoking. At Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 350, 6420 Orchard Ave. (corner of 4th Ave.), 20912, near New Hampshire and Eastern Aves. Info: VFW Post 350 at 301.270.8008 or Barb Diederich barb@barbdiederich.com

Tuesdays



FOLK CLUB OF RESTON/HERNDON HERNDON, VA

EVERY TUESDAY • 7:15 PM

New Location: Amphora Diner Deluxe, 1151 Elden St., 20170. Open-mic format. 2nd Tuesday includes 25-minute member showcase; monthly concerts usually 3rd Tuesday, price varies. Smoke-free environment. Info: www.restonherndonfolkclub.com, 703.435.2402.

**SEA CHANTEY OPEN PUB SING
WHEATON, MD, AND WASHINGTON, DC
1ST AND 4TH TUESDAYS • 8–10 PM**

The Ship's Company chanteymen host open-mike sea-chantey sings. No cover/minimum; arrive early for a table. Participation encouraged but not mandatory. Requests are honored if possible. Mostly *a cappella* but instruments are welcome. Info: **Myron Peterson** at ructic@yahoo.com or www.shipscompany.org

- 1st Tuesdays – **American Legion Post 268**, 11225 Fern St., Wheaton, MD. (New location)
- 4th Tuesdays – **Laughing Man Tavern**, 1306 G St. NW, DC 20005

**SACRED HARP SINGING • SE WASHINGTON, DC
3RD TUESDAYS • 7–9 PM**

Capitol Hill Presbyterian Church, 201 4th St. SE, 20003. Some street parking is possible—less than a ten-minute walk from Capitol South and Eastern Market Metro stations. To find the singing space, go around the left/south side of the church and enter by a side door at street level. Info: 760.856.0961

Wednesdays

**SEA CHANTEY OPEN PUB SINGS
BALTIMORE AND ANNAPOLIS, MD
2ND & 3RD WEDNESDAYS • 8–10 PM**

The Ship's Company chanteymen host open-mike sea-chantey sings. Participation encouraged but not mandatory. Requests are honored if possible. Info: **Myron Peterson** at ructic@yahoo.com or www.shipscompany.org

- 2nd Wednesdays – **Wharf Rat**, 801 S. Anne Street (Fell's Point), Baltimore 21231
- 3rd Wednesdays – **Galway Bay**, 63 Maryland Ave, Annapolis 21401

**ARLINGTON JAM! • ARLINGTON, VA
3RD WEDNESDAYS • 7–10:30 PM**

Fiddles, guitars, all instruments welcome! Intermediate and advanced players interested in old-time, blues, Scandinavian, swing, and other styles. First Friday and third Wednesday at 1909 N. Ohio St. 22205. Info: **Lilli Vincenz**, 703.532.2731 or FiddlerLilli@verizon.net

**CAJUN JAM • GREENBELT, MD
4TH WEDNESDAYS • 7–9 PM**

Monthly open Cajun jam and dance. New Deal Café, 113 Centerway, Roosevelt Center, 20770. More info: 301.474.5642 or www.newdealcafe.com. Check website to confirm.

Thursdays

**IRISH TRADITIONAL/BLUEGRASS MUSIC SESSIONS
FREDERICK, MD**

EVERY THURSDAY • 7 AND 8:30 PM

At Boe's Strings, 26 S. Market St., 21701. Info and tune list at www.BoesStrings.com or Boe at 301.662.0750

**NEW FOLK HOOT! • MT. RAINIER, MD
2ND THURSDAYS • 7–9 PM**

Bruce Hutton is hosting a Traditional Folk Music Open Mic at the Urban Eats Art and Music Cafe at 3311 Rhode Island Ave., Mt. Rainier, MD. More info call Bruce at 301.802.7669, or www.facebook.com/urbaneatsmd

**FOLKSONG SING-IN • WHEATON, MD
3RD THURSDAYS • 8–10 PM**

Join local musician **Brad Howard** every month for this new musical gathering. Everyone gets a chance to lead the room in song. Bring your favorite folk tunes, and even your instruments if you feel so inclined. At the very least, bring your voice and be prepared for a great evening of song and pub-styled fellowship. The Limerick Pub is at the corner of Elkin and Price, a few doors down from the Royal Mile Pub, 11301 Elkin St., 20902 www.thelimerickpub.net

Fridays

**ARLINGTON JAM! • ARLINGTON, VA
1ST FRIDAYS • 7–10:30 PM**

See Wednesday listing.

**GLEN ECHO OPEN BAND • GLEN ECHO, MD
2ND FRIDAYS • 8:30–11:30 PM**

The fabulous Glen Echo Open Band plays for the second-Friday contra dance. All instruments and levels of ability are welcome. Find recordings, tunebook names and page numbers of tunes played by the Open Band at www.openbandonline.com. The site works best using iTunes on a PC or a Mac. Info: www.fridaynightdance.org



Saturdays

ARCHIE EDWARDS BLUES JAM
RIVERDALE, MD
SATURDAYS • 1–5 PM

Acoustic instruments, all skill levels and listeners welcome. 4701 Queensbury Rd, 20737, across from the Riverdale MARC train station. Ample parking. Free, but donations welcome. Info/confirmation: 301.396.3054 or www.acousticblues.com

HAMMERED DULCIMER JAM • MCLEAN, VA
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 17 • 1:30-4:30 PM

Hammered dulcimer players meet monthly to swap tunes and play together; all levels welcome. The November jam is at the Dolley Madison Library, 1244 Oak Ridge Ave., 703.356.0770. Other acoustic instruments welcome. Info: Ellie at sites.google.com/site/nvhdplayers

Storytelling

LIVE & LEARN BETHESDA:
AN EVENING OF STORY TELLING FOR
ADULTS! • BETHESDA, MD
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 3 • 7:30–9 PM

Internationally celebrated storyteller **Noa Baum** takes us on a poignant and humorous cross-cultural journey through her life. Childhood adventures! Outrageous adult matchmaking! Surprising forms of love! Experience a completely different side of Israel with true-life stories. Light refreshments will be served. 4805 Edgemoor Lane 20814 Tickets: \$15 To register: www.rezclick.com/liveandlearnbethesda/ call 301-740-6150

STORIES ON CAPITOL HILL • WASHINGTON, DC
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 16 • 6 PM

You are cordially invited to join our Intergenerational Storytellers! Bring your true fall stories and have dinner on us! Townhomes on Capitol Hill Community Center. 750 6th Street, SE. Info: **Auntie Oye' 202-547-4899**. RSVP at: **202-547-4899** or **202-773-5446**. Sponsors: National Storytelling Network (NSN) & Oye' Palaver Hut, Inc.

NATURE AND THE SPIRIT: BENEFIT FOR THE
FRIENDS WILDERNESS CENTER • MCLEAN, VA
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 17 • 7 PM

Voices in the Glen storytellers (up to ten of them) tell stories that make the connection between nature and the spirit. A fundraiser for the preservation of a 1400-acre sanctuary in the Blue Ridge mountains. **Chuck Kley-meyer** at 703.533.7379 or www.friendswilderness.org. Langley Hill Friends Meeting House, 6410 Georgetown Pike, 22101.

STORYTELLING HOUSE CONCERT WITH NOA
BAUM • SILVER SPRING, MD
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 17 • 8 PM

At the home of Laura Hagmann, 1535 Red Oak Drive, 20910 Doors open at 7 and Noa starts at 8. Suggested donation: \$15 in advance, \$20 at the door.

RSVP: laura@hagmann.net

BALTIMORE'S TELLABRATION! 2012
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2–5 PM

Eight of the area's finest tellers will present a variety of stories that include Celtic, Native American, Asian, Jewish, ancient Greek, as well as other traditions and personal stories. There will be 2 stages—one for children and one for adults and families. **Bill Willasch** will provide lovely musical interludes on native American flute. **Charm City Rapper** will greet audience members with their riveting and fast paced performance of historic English rapper sword dancing. Crafts and refreshments for sale. The event is free, but donations are welcome. www.bfms.org/tellabration.php Free. Irvine Nature Center: www.explorenature.org/ Info: **Diane : 410-321-8419**



Workshops, Weekends, Festivals & Special Events



FESTIVAL OF TRADITIONAL
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A WEEKEND OF
TRADITIONAL FOLK/ROOTS
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KERHONKSON, NY
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 2 –
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 4

At the Hudson Valley Resort and Spa 400 Granite Road, Kerhonkson, Ulster County, NY 12446

The Folk Music Society of New York invites you to join leading singers/musicians in a weekend of traditional folk/roots music. Meet outstanding performers in 25 workshops and three concerts, plus an open mike, late-night singing, a contra dance, and informal music-making, socializing, and outdoor walks. Featured artists include **Margaret Bennett, Ralph Bodington, Claire Boucher, Joanie Bronfman, Dennis & Judy Cook, Moira Craig, Chris Davis, Jerry Epstein, Alan Friend, Howard Glasser, Claudia Kanile'a Goddard, The Johnson Girls (Joy Bennett, Alison Kelley, Bonnie Milner, Deirdre Murtha), David Jones, Chris Koldeway, Kenny Kosek, Neal MacMillan, Dan Milner, Sean Murtha, Caroline Paton, Jason Poole, Ann Porcella, Anne Price, Red Hen (Jane Rothfield, Allan Carr, Linda Schrade, David Kiphuth), Steve Suffet, Heather Wood, Olga Zaric, and John Ziv.** For a full list and details of the performers go to www.folkfestny.org.

Participants are welcome to come for the day or register for the entire weekend to stay at the hotel and experience all the music. FSGW is a co-sponsor, and FSGW members get a small discount. You can also reserve online directly at: <http://eisteddfod-ny.eventbrite.com>.

For more info: www.folkfestny.org or 718.672.6399

ARGYLE XXIX TEACHING/DANCE WEEKEND
ALEXANDRIA, VA
NOVEMBER 2–4

Please join Scottish Country dancers from all over the East Coast at the St. Stephens/St. Agnes School, 400 Fontaine Ave. The weekend features two dances (Welcome Dance on Friday evening, Ball on Saturday evening); classes on Saturday morning; and a special class on Sunday morning to learn locally devised dances. The featured band is *Terpsichore*. Please visit website www.argyle-weekend.org or send questions to argyle@rscds-greaterdc.org.

WORLD ON A STRING • SILVER SPRING, MD
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 3 • 9 AM TO 9 PM

Team-taught workshops explore melodies, rhythms, and improvisation across cultures. The stellar faculty includes blues harmonica master **Phil Wiggins**, Chinese virtuoso **Cathy Yang**, *Elixir* guitarist **Owen Morrison**, Irish fiddler **Philippe Varlet**, Greek multi-instrumentalist **Spyros Koliavasilis**, percussive dance phenom **Nic Gareiss**, and several more! Workshop participants are invited to play in the concert. Unitarian Universalist Church of Silver Spring, 10309 New Hampshire Ave. Concert \$20/\$15 students in advance; full-day \$75/\$55 advance. Scholarships available. Info: www.freydashands.org/woas/. **Andrea Hoag**, 301.565.2777 or mail@freydashands.org.

UPPER POTOMAC IRISH MUSIC RETREAT
SHEPHERDSTOWN, WV
NOVEMBER 16, 17

Irish Session Lads—**Cleek Schrey, Stuart Jackson and Sean McComiskey**. Weekend workshops take place in the relaxed, retreat setting of Shepherd University campus and feature Friday night concert (see page 11 for details), all day, hands-on workshops for musicians followed by an evening jam session. Info: upperpotomac@gmail.com or call **Joanie Blanton** at 304.263.2531. On the web at upmw.smad.us.

RAISE THE ROOF FOR RHYS
FUNDRAISER FOR RHYS JONES • ADELPHI, MD
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2 PM TO
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 9 AM

16 hours of the finest old-time music, featuring **Rhys Jones, John Hermann, Meredith McIntosh, Paul Brown, Meredith Watson, Clifftop Champion Joseph Decosimo, Marshall Wilborn, Dan Peck, Pat Egan, Locust Honey String Band**, and many more; Callers include **Janine Smith, April Blum**, and more. Three contra and square dances, a concert, jamming, food, drink, a silent auction and a pancake breakfast. At Ballroom Blum; 8300 Osage Rd. For info, tickets, or to see the complete lineup and schedule see: <http://raiserhysroof.blogspot.com/> or contact **Penelope Weinberger** at 301.315.9461 or email: raiserhysroof@hotmail.com

Suggested donation: \$100 for the whole kit and caboodle or \$20 for each dance, concert or the pancakes.

WORKSHOPS, WEEKENDS, FESTIVALS AND SPECIAL EVENTS continued

MUSCOGEE CREEK FESTIVAL: NMAI

WASHINGTON, DC

THURSDAY TO SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 15-17

10:30 AM–4:30 PM

Muscogee food, arts, crafts, singers, storytellers, and, in honor of Veterans Day, daily stories from members of the Muscogee Nation Honor Guard. At the National Museum of the American Indian www.AmericanIndian.si.edu

JEWISH FESTIVAL • ROCKVILLE MD

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 18 • 12–6 PM

The Mid-Atlantic's largest celebration of Jewish art, music, and culture returns November 17 -18, and will feature an opening concert (see page 11) and a pre-concert Seudah Shlisheet Dinner on Saturday night. The all-day Sunday Festival includes artists, crafters, workshops—poetry, music, bibliodrama, Jews and Chocolate, film, stories, food, kids' activities—and Israeli dancing, a Teen Lounge, further information at jewishfolkartsfestival.com. Performers for the Festival include *Charm City Klezmer*, *Fabrangen Fiddlers*, *Klezcentricity*, *Lox* and *Vodka, Machaya* and 18 others. \$10 for the general public, \$5 seniors, youth (\$40 maximum per family). B'nai Israel, 6301 Montrose Rd., 20852. Info: **Esther Siegel 301.587.1739**, info@jewishfolkartsfestival.com

YOUTH TRADITIONAL SONG WEEKEND

CHARLTON, MASS

JANUARY 11–13, 2013

REGISTRATION OPEN

Youth Traditional Song Weekend is a youth-focused (though not youth-exclusive) weekend for young singers and session leaders interested in traditional songs. **Ian Robb**, **Ken Schatz** and **Lissa Schneckenburger** on staff; attendee-led workshops, impromptu vocal jams, song swaps, an open mic. Prindle Pond Conference Center. \$150 room/ board. Scholarships and rideshares available; www.youthtradsong.org.

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and present Collective members include **Paul Brown, Cynthia Connolly, Brent Feito, Stan Fowler, Julia Feder, David Giusti, Kaythi Han, Andrew Hunt, Bradley Kennedy, Michael Lyons, Gabriel Popkin, Scott Prouty, Kaitlin Rienzo-Stack, Brandt Ryder, David Shewmaker** and **Janine Smith**.

Since its inception, the DC Square Dance has consistently drawn around 200 dancers, with the crowd swelling to a record 436 in March when the renowned *Horse Flies* played for the first-anniversary dance.



The dancers represent a diverse crowd—members of the old-time music and contra dance communities, younger people new to town looking for inexpensive fun, older people who remember dances from their youth, and all manner of people who don't consider themselves "dancers" but are just looking for something fun to do on a Saturday night. The recipe of high-energy live music, a participatory dance form that anybody can learn, a low entry fee, dances on Saturday nights, and an accessible, central location has been a winner.

The very first dance was held in February, 2011. After much debate, the Collective chose the small auditorium at the back of St. Stephen's Episcopal Church in D.C.'s Columbia Heights neighborhood. St. Stephens has a long tradition of welcoming community groups using its spaces for events, and had hosted several recent and successful square dance fundraisers.

The Collective used e-mail, facebook, listservs, posters and traditional media to get the word out. In what now seems like divine intervention, a double-booking with a punk rock concert forced the group out of that small auditorium to the much larger sanctuary—full of aging pews that had to be moved! The Collective organized a small army to empty the space, all the while fearing too few dancers in too much space. How embarrassing that would have been! But—more than 200 people showed up—far more than expected and more than ever could have been accommodated in the auditorium! And so the tradition of moving the pews and filling the church sanctuary with happy dancers was born.

Why the success...

In almost any city it has been easy to find a contra dance, but more difficult to find a beginner-friendly traditional square dance. Traditional music and dance events evolve primarily in the suburbs, largely disconnected from the newer masses of carless, biking and metro-riding young people living in the city itself.

Why has the dance been such a hit? **Gabe Popkin**, one of the founders of the dance, explains it this way. "I believe there's a hunger for authentic experiences in a world where so many of our interactions are mediated by technology, a hunger for true community, for the chance to meet and touch and dance with strangers in a safe space. I know no better way to satisfy that hunger than square dancing.

Come see for yourself!
The next dance is on Saturday, December 1st.



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