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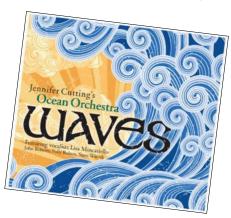
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Bethesda, MD

# Jennifer Cutting's OCEAN Orchestra CD Release

With The Kennedys and Washington Revels singers

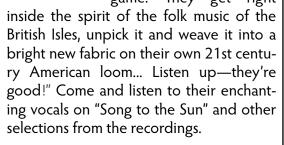
Friday, March 31 • 8 pm





Presented in partnership with AMP by Strathmore: **Jennifer Cutting**'s **OCEAN Orchestra**, a mainstay of the Washington Folk Festival and the local folk-rock scene, celebrates the release of their third CD with a concert at AMP by Strathmore with special guests **The Kennedys** (**Pete** 

and Maura Kennedy) and Washington Revels singers. Simon Nicol of Fairport Convention says: "On Waves, Jennifer Cutting's Ocean Orchestra are at the top of their game. They get right



AMP by Strathmore, 11810 Grand Park Ave, 20852 (Ride-On bus #5 from Silver

Spring). Tickets available online through AMP by Strathmore. **FSGW members get \$10 off tickets purchased online (no discount at the door), using promo code FSGW.** Be prepared to show your membership card at the door. Non-members, \$30/\$20; Members, \$20/\$10.

Audio samples, **fsgw.org**. Tickets/info: **ampbystrathmore.com/live-shows/kennedys-ocean-orchestra**.

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Heather Livingston, editor

# FSGW Sings/Swaps/Storytelling

#### FSGW OPEN SING • ARLINGTON, VA FRIDAY, MARCH 3 • 7:30 PM

(DOORS OPEN AT 7 PM; NOTE EARLIER START TIME)

Theme: Home, Away, Travel (i.e., being home, being away, and traveling). Singers go around the room, giving everyone a chance to sing a song, play a tune, or pass. Most songs are presented from memory, but cheat sheets often appear. Everyone is welcome. The open sings have a loose topic to encourage us to learn new songs or put the polish back on some old ones. Don't worry if you can't think of a song on the topic—come join in the fun anyway! Please bring a snack to share. This month's Open Sing will be at the home of Sheridan Swope. RSVP/directions: swopes123@aol.com.

#### FSGW GOSPEL SING • BETHESDA, MD SUNDAY, MARCH 12 • 4-8 PM

Gospel sings are held the second Sunday of every month at various homes. Group singing starts at 4 pm and breaks for a covered dish supper at 6 pm, with more singing after supper until 8 pm. Everyone is welcome! This month's Gospel Sing will take place at the home of **Mary Ann Daly**. Info/directions: **madaly@verizon.net** or **301-229-8534**.

#### FSGW Storyswap • Falls Church, VA Saturday, March 18 • 7:30 pm

Storytellers and listeners are invited to celebrate their Irish in the home of **Margaret Chatham** with an evening of Irish & other tales and potluck snacks. Free. RSVPs/directions: **margaret.chatham@verizon.net** or **703-698-5456**.

#### FSGW SHAPE NOTE SINGING • ALEXANDRIA, VA SUNDAY, MARCH 26 • 4 PM

Every fourth Sunday, singers explore the rich traditions in *The Sacred Harp* (1991) and *Shenandoah Harmony* (2013), with unaccompanied four-part singing fueled by a potluck supper. Loaner books are available, and all are welcome. Usually the singing is held upstairs in room 19 and the supper from 6–7 on the ground level of the Fellowship Hall of the First Christian Church of Alexandria, 2723 King St, 22302 (about a mile out from the Metro & Amtrak stations & GW Memorial). Info: madaly@verizon.net or 301-229-8534.



#### CO-SPONSORED SINGS & STORYSWAPS

### THE GRAPEVINE • TAKOMA, DC WEDNESDAY, MARCH 8 • 7:30-9 PM

The Grapevine is home for first-rate storytelling and storytellers of all styles. Hosted by **Tim Livengood**, with featured tellers **Noa Baum** and **Megan Wells**. The program opens with up to three open-mic tellers with a 5-minute limit (each). Busboys and Poets, 235 Carroll St NW, 20012. Food and drink available. Suggested donation of \$15 per person goes to the featured tellers—feel free to donate more! "Like" The Grapevine on Facebook at **GrapevineStorytelling**. Details: **301-587-3558**, **grapevinetakoma@gmail.com** 

#### CIRCLE OF LIFE SONG CIRCLE • ROCKVILLE, MD TUESDAYS, MARCH 7 AND 21 • 1-2:30 PM

Co-sponsored by the Jewish Community Center of Greater Washington's Coming of Age in Maryland Program and FSGW. Sing favorite songs and make new friends! The song circle is about the joy of singing, not about talent. All are welcome, regardless of experience or level of ability. Words will be provided on song sheets—no need to read music. Come for informal singing or just to listen, but do come! Free! 6125 Montrose Rd, 20852. When MCPS is closed, the Song Circle is canceled. If schools have a delayed opening, please call 301-348-3809 for the latest update on that day's program. Info or to volunteer: Frieda Enoch, fenoch@jccgw.org or Liz Milner, lizmilner@mindspring.com.

#### SCHWEINHAUT SONG CIRCLE • SILVER SPRING, MD Wednesday, March 15 • 1–3 pm

On the third Wednesday of each month, this song circle provides a daytime opportunity to enjoy great songs, old or new, humorous or serious, timeless or topical. The song circle is about the joy of singing, not about talent. You don't have to read music, and printed words are provided for songs that have been suggested in advance. Of course, you may lead or request any song, whether or not we have printed words. All are welcome, regardless of age or experience, including instrumental accompanists. Come when you can and leave when you must, but do come to sing or just to listen! Free! Co-sponsored by FSGW and Carpe Diem Arts. Margaret Schweinhaut Senior Center, 1000 Forest Glen Rd, 20901. Info/suggest songs in advance: Fred Stollnitz, fstollnitz@comcast.net.

# Go to GREAT Concerts for FREE!

Most FSGW concerts rely on volunteers: See the "Details" page of a concert on the calendar at **fsgw. org** to sign up to volunteer at that event. You get in for free and you get a pass for free admission to a future FSGW concert, dance or workshop with a fixed admission price of \$25 or less.

# Starry Mountain Singers with Orfeia Saturday, March 11 · 7:30-10 pm (doors open at 7 pm)

The Starry Mountain Singers are eight alumni of the Northern Harmony and Village Harmony ensembles, and members have performed with the Revels and on Mountain Stage and A Prairie Home Companion. They bring riveting harmonies to American and international folk music, including gospel, shape note, Appalachian, Bulgarian, Corsican, and Georgian songs. Pete Sutherland of the Clayfoot Strutters said it best: "Everyone needs to make time to get the hell outta the house and hear this rockin' bunch—your molecules will be rearranged." Orfeia, a local Balkan women's choir under the direction of





Tatiana Sarbinska,

celebrated their tenth anniversary in 2016 and have appeared at the Bulgarian Embassy, the Washington Folk Festival, Balktoberfest, and Baltimore's Artscape festival. Ms. Sarbinska is recognized as a national treasure of Bulgaria and recently received her nation's most prestigious cultural award. The two ensembles have performed together before and incorporated Balkan folk songs into *Starry Mountain's* varied repertoire. Seekers Church, 276 Carroll St NW, 20012 (Metro: Takoma). Non-members, \$20; FSGW members, free. Audio samples, fsgw.org.

Nominations for the 2017–2018 FSGW Board of Directors will be accepted at intermission. This event will be considered one of the open meetings required by the Society's bylaws for that purpose.



FSGW congratulates Carpe Diem's Executive Director, **Busy Graham**, who has been named the 2017 Sue Hess Maryland Arts Advocate of the Year by Maryland Citizens for the Arts.

Workshop Takoma, DC

# Vocal Workshop w/Starry Mountain Singers Saturday, March 11 · 3-5 pm

Presented by FSGW and Carpe Diem Arts. The workshop will include favorites from the Starry Mountain Singers' repertoire, which ranges from Appalachia, American gospel and shape note traditions, cowboy songs, Corsica, the Republic of Georgia, and South Africa. Workshop participants will have the option of singing 1–2 songs in concert with Starry Mountain Singers as part of their FSGW concert that same evening. Workshop fee: \$30/\$20 FSGW Members/Students/Seniors/Low Income (does not include concert ticket). RSVP/Directions: BusyGraham@CarpeDiemArts.org or 301-466-0183.

# 28TH ANNUAL POTOMAC RIVER



# SACRED HARP CONVENTION

APRIL 1ST AND 2ND, 2017



THE GREAT FALLS GRANGE 9818 GEORGETOWN PIKE (ROUTE 193) GREAT FALLS, VIRGINIA

**Saturday, April 1, 10 am to 3:30 pm:** All-Day singing from *The Sacred Harp (1991 Edition)* with a midday break for dinner. Please bring a dish to share. Saturday's singing is followed by a social at the home of some nearby singers, with supper and, no doubt, more singing.

**Sunday, April 2, 10 am to 3:30 pm,** All-Day singing from *The Shenandoah Harmony* with a midday break for dinner. Please bring a dish to share.

#### Registration begins at 9:30 am on both days.

The convention is free and open to the public. All are welcome and no experience is required. Copies of *The Sacred Harp* (1991 Edition) and *The Shenandoah Harmony* (2013 Edition) will be available to borrow or purchase. The Grange is now wheelchair-accessible and ADA-compliant.

Shape note singing is an American *a cappella* tradition with roots in the Colonial period. Characterized by open harmonies and a powerful sound, shape note singing is music designed primarily for participation, rather than for performance. As the convention attracts over a hundred singers from the eastern states and beyond, it's the best place to experience the raw power of this traditional American music. Books will be available to borrow or buy. There is no charge, although donations to cover costs are welcome.



For more information, contact convention chair

Brenda Dunlap at 202-425-5264 or BrendaLDunlap@gmail.com.

For more information about *The Sacred Harp,* The Shenandoah Harmony, or shape note singing, visit

fasola.org or shenadoahharmony.com



Springfield, VA



# Castlebay

Music of Maine and the Celtic Lands Sunday, March 5 · 2:30 pm

Maine duo Castlebay presents music of Maine and the Celtic lands. Their traditional and original songs are supported with Celtic harp, 12-string guitar, fiddle, and woodwinds. Concert and festival audiences from Nova Scotia to Florida (and Europe as well) have been delighted by Julia Lane's lovely melodies and Fred Gosbee's lively narratives. Julia's scholarship is bringing to light many unpublished maritime songs collected in Maine by Helen Hartness Flanders. (Audio samples, castlebay.net). Hosted by Steve **Woodbury** & **Ann Bauer**. Suggested donation: \$15; \$40 max/family. RSVP: woodburybauer@verizon.net or 703-425-5943 (between 9 am & 9 pm).

Special Event Takoma, DC

# Angela Kessler Stories from the Kalevala

# Saturday, March 18 • 8-10 pm

Flirting. Death. Revenge. Magic. The Kalevala is a collection of stories from Finland, passed down from the days when storytelling was for grown-ups. It has inspired artists and authors such as J.R.R. Tolkien and Philip Pullman, and is celebrated by a national holiday in Finland—Kalevala Day, February 28. Boston storyteller **Angela Kessler** will present a sampling of stories in a variety of moods



(lighthearted to dark to very dark) and modes (spoken word, verse, and song). Angela has been entrancing audiences with stories from the Kalevala since 2005. Come experience the Kalevala for yourself. Seekers Church, 276 Carroll St NW, 20012 (Metro: Takoma). Non-members, \$15; Members, \$5. Info: fsgw.org.

FSGW sponsors events that are intended to foster a pleasant environment and a tolerant community and to provide a comfortable experience for all.

### FAQ of the Month

Q: Why is my newsletter not in my mailbox before the beginning of the month?

A: Although the editor has the goal of having the paper newsletter in members' mailboxes (for those who receive a paper newsletter) before the first of each month, being a volunteer, time constraints do not always allow for this. However, the newsletter is available to all members (as well as non-members) usually a week or more prior to the beginning of the month on **fsgw.org**. Members are emailed a link when it is available. Don't wait for the paper newsletter to check the calendar for events!

—Heather Livingston, Publications Chair

# APPLY NOW FOR THE TAKOMA PARK FOLK FESTIVAL SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

The 2017 Takoma Park Folk Festival will be held on Sunday, September 10. Information about the Festival is available at **tpff.org**, where performers, craft artists, and volunteers can learn how to participate. The application deadline for performers is April 14.

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#### FSGW Board 2016-2017

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301-422-0292 **FSGW BOARD MEETING** 301-587-2286

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 1 . 8 PM

The monthly FSGW Board meeting 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 April Blum by e-mail, president@fsgw.org, or call afternoons or evenings 301-422-0292 in advance of the meeting.

#### How to submit a listing to the FSGW Newsletter

- 1. Please look at this Newsletter and determine under what category your listing should appear. When submitting copy by email, put that category in the subject line, followed by the month. So if you want to list a contra dance, your subject line is: Dance Contra [Month]. No punctuation, please. If it's a workshop: Workshop [Month]. If it's a single concert: Concert Individual [Month] And so forth. Putting the category in the subject line makes it easier for the editor to retrieve groups of events.
- 2. Please submit all listings in FSGW format. All information should be submitted in the following sequence:

Event Title • City, State Abbreviation Day of the week, Date • start time - end time

One or two sentences only. Location (+ zip code for GPS). Ticket prices.

Info: Contact Name at Phone number or email/website.

NB: The city and state appear in the header; do not repeat them in the body, but in this age of Droids and GPS units, you need to include the 5-digit zip code—it goes right after the street address. Submit entries to newsletter@fsgw.org

#### **FSGW Newsletter Editorial and Advertising Policy**

The Folklore Society of Greater Washington endeavors to print copy it deems relevant to its membership and purpose as stated in its by-laws:

"The main purpose of the Society is to further the understanding, investigation, appreciation, and performance of the traditional folk music and folklore of the American people."

- · All copy (except ads) must be submitted by e-mail to newsletter@fsgw.org in text format in the body of the e-mail by the 8th of the preceding month.
- · All listings must be submitted in the format set out in "How to Submit" Box. The format is also on our website (fsgw.org). Just click on Newsletter and look for a paragraph in green.
- 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. Non-commercial and individual: \$4 for 10 words. 25% discount for any single ad placed in 11 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.

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Riverdale, MD

# Queens of Everything Trad blues, uptown and lowdown and old-time country

Friday, March 24 · 8-10 pm



New York City-based acoustic roots trio inspired by traditional blues uptown and lowdown—and oldtime country formed in 2013 by Liz Rabson Schnore (uke, harmonica), Jennifer Sirey (guitar, percussion), and Arminda "Memphis Minda" Thomas (banjo). Liz, a Brooklyn-based musician, visual artist, and daughter of acclaimed blueswoman Ann Rabson, grew up in Virginia in the heart of Piedmont blues country. Active in the Brooklyn uke and folk music scene, she is a featured musician in the cabaret show "Granny's Blue-mers," along with Brooklyn-born Jennifer, who is also

an exhibiting sculptor, teaching artist, and professional pipe-organ restorer. Arminda was born and raised in Memphis and found inspiration in her hometown's deep musical history, while early exposure to Nina Simone, Billie Holiday, and Hee Haw led to adult explorations in jazz and banjo. She hosts the weekly internet radio program "Music from the Well," featuring classic and contemporary American roots and blues music.

Presented in partnership with the Archie Edwards Blues Heritage foundation. Archie's Barbershop, 4701 Queensbury Rd, 20737 (Metrobus: F4 from Prince George's Plaza). Non-members, \$20; Members, \$10. Info: fsgw.org or acousticblues.com.

### FSGW Board Election

FSGW could not offer hundreds of concerts, dances, festivals, and other events each year without the many Society members who volunteer to make it all happen. The FSGW Board of Directors is recruiting Board members through our annual election process for a one-year term beginning on July 1.

The Election Committee invites you to nominate candidates for the 2016–2017 Board. The Committee is compiling a slate of candidates for the May election. You may offer your nominations for the FSGW Board at the Monthly Program on March 11 and at the Sunday contra dance on March 19. These events are official Folklore Society meetings for the purpose of receiving nominations for the Board from the membership. Nominations may also be submitted directly to the Election Committee (prior to March 31) by petition signed by five current FSGW Members. You can contact the Election Committee at elections@fsgw.org.

# FSGW English Country Dances

Glen Echo, MD • Wednesdays • 8-10:30 pm

Dance on a wood floor in the climate-controlled community room of the Glen Echo Town Hall, 6106 Harvard St, 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, oboe, concertina, bassoon, cello, viola, and recorder. Light refreshments served at the break. Experienced and new dancers welcome. No partner required. Info: English@fsgw.org

Admission: \$10 for FSGW members, \$12 for non-members.

#### March



Beginner Session starts at 7:30— Tom Spilsbury calls the dances to

the music of **Becky Ross** (fiddle), Paul Oorts (mandolin and accor-

dion), and Ralph Gordon (cello)

Melissa Running calls the dances while Carrie Rose (flute), Bruce **Edwards** (bassoon and concertina), and Liz Donaldson (piano) make the music



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Dan Gillespie calls to the playing of **Alexander Mitchell** (fiddle and mandolin), Susan Brandt (flute), and Liz Donaldson (piano)





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Anna Rain calls while lydia ievins (fiddle), David Knight (fiddle), and Melissa Running (piano) play

Mark your Calendars for the Washington Spring Ball, Saturday, May 20, 2017. Music by: Goldcrest:

Dave Wiesler (piano), Daron Douglas (fiddle), and Paul Oorts (accordion and fretted instruments). Details at fsgw.org/ball.html



# FSGW FAMILY DANCE · GLEN ECHO, MD SUNDAY, MARCH 12 · 3-5 PM

Penelope Pineapple calls with Liz Donaldson (piano, accordion) and Emily Aubrey (fiddle). Bring the kids for an afternoon of fiddling, circles, squares, and fun! Glen Echo Ballroom Annex (7300 MacArthur Blvd, 20812). \$5 for ages 4 and older. Info: Penelope Weinberger or Steve Burnett, dance@fsgw.org.



**FSGW DANCE EVENTS** 

# FSGW SUNDAY NIGHT DANCES

AT GLEN ECHO PARK, MD · SPANISH BALLROOM
CONTRAS AND 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 (7300 Mac Arthur Blvd, 20812). 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. 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 or Steve Burnett; dance@fsgw.org.

Admission: \$10 for FSGW, BFMS, CDSS, and ATDS Members \$5 youth (with student ID if over 17) • \$13 for the general public

#### March 5 • Will Mentor and the Stringrays—

Improvisational string music, from the raucous to the sublime. Max Newman (guitar), Stuart Kenney (bass), Sam Bartlett (mandolin), Poki Hellenberg (drums), and special guest fiddler Noah van Norstrand.

The *Stringrays* are making quite a splash! **Will Mentor**, one of our most beloved callers, comes down for a double-header.

#### March 12 • Greg Frock with Terpsichore—

Elke Baker (fiddle), Liz Donaldson (piano, accordion), and Ralph Gordon (bass). *Terpsichore* is transcendent dance music with wonderful calling by Greg Frock.

#### March 19 • Ted Hodapp with Contratopia—

Erik Sessions (fiddle), Patrice Pakiz (piano, oboe, percussion), Pat O'Loughlin (english concertina, banjo), and John Goodin (mandolin, guitar) play contra dance music from the upper midwest. Ted Hodapp calls. This week's dance is free to FSGW members. Nominations for the 2017–2018 FSGW Board of Directors will be accepted at intermission. This event will be considered one of the open meetings required by the Society's bylaws for that purpose.



#### March 26 • Tom and Myra with Tracy, Bell, and Vallimont—

Two accordions and a fiddle! **Becky Tracy** of *Wild Asparagus/Nightingale* (fiddle), **Rachel Bell** of *Sea Glass/Peregrine Road* (accordion), and **Julie Vallimont** of *Nor'Easter/Buddy System* (piano, accordion) come out for sweet driving tunes and the tag-team calling of **Tom Calwell** and **Myra Hirschberg**.

# CHALLENGE CONTRA-WILL MENTOR AND THE STRINGRAYS



SUNDAY, MARCH 5 · 3:30-6 PM

Come on out to the Glen Echo Bumper Car Pavilion (7300 MacArthur Blvd, 20812) and find yourself challenged to dance to some special contra dances chosen by caller extraordinaire **Will Mentor** and hot tunes by the amazing **Stringrays**, featuring **Max Newman** (guitar), **Sam Bartlett** (mandolin), **Stuart Kenney** (bass), and guest fiddler **Noah** 



Van Norstrand. A typical challenge session features dances with figures that might not be

regularly encountered in an evening of dance. So be ready to challenge your brain and feet with star thru contra corners, backward progressions, left-hand chains, and other odd delights. You will advance your dance practice, be it through learning new moves, getting smoother on infrequent ones, or helping others to do so. Mostly, it's a chance to dance your best and have fun! Informal potluck to follow. See you on the dance floor! \$10 FSGW/CDSS/BFMS/ATDS members; \$5 youth; \$13 non-members. Info: **Penelope Weinberger** or **Steve Burnett**; **dance@fsgw.org.** 

THE GREAT AMERICAN SQUARE DANCE REVIVAL, PART LI SATURDAY, MARCH 11 · 8:30-11:30 PM

The DC Square Dance Collective is celebrating six wildly successful years of presenting traditional Appalachian Square Dances! Square dance tunes played by real-deal musicians. DC Square Dance co-founder Paul Brown (fiddle), Bill Schmidt (banjo), Ann Porcella (guitar), Kevin Enoch (bass), and Terri McMurray (banjo uke) crank out the old-time dance tunes. One of the original co-founders of the DC Square Dance Collective, Gabe Popkin, shows you how it's done and will have you up and do-si-do-ing in no time flat. Come see what it's all about, right in the heart of DC on a swingin' Saturday night. 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. Saint Stephen's Church, 1525 Newton St NW, 20010 (Columbia Heights Metro). \$5 at the door. Info: dcsquaredance.com.

FSGW CO-SPONSORED DANCES



SECOND THURSDAY CONTRA/SQUARE DANCE · SILVER SPRING, MD

THURSDAY, MARCH  $9 \cdot 7:30-10$  pm (FREE INTRO WORKSHOP 7-7:30)

Caller Caroline Barnes with Contranella: Megan Wobus Beller (fiddle), John Wobus

(piano), and **Charley Beller** (mandolin, banjo, feet, percussion). Great Hall, Silver Spring Civic Building, One Veterans Plaza, 20910 (free parking in lot across the street at 801 Ellsworth Drive). Co-sponsored by FSGW, Carpe Diem Arts, and Washington Revels, with major support from the Montgomery County Department of Recreation. FSGW/BFMS/CDSS/Revels Members, 88; Non-members, \$10; Students, \$5. First timers, free. Info: **Bob Mathis**, **talibob@starpower.net**; or **Busy Graham**, **BusyGraham@CarpeDiemArts**.org or **301-466-0183**.

# GREENBELT CONTRA DANCE · GREENBELT, MD

No dance this month. Dance will return in April. Info: 301-397-2208.

GLEN ECHO INTERNATIONAL FOLKDANCERS · THURSDAYS · 7:30-10:45 PM

See the listing under International Dances on page 22.



Upcoming events are subject to change; please check fsgw.org for updates.

#### COMING IN APRIL

# THE BLTs WITH AFTER THE FLOOD • TAKOMA, DC SATURDAY, APRIL 8 • 7:30–10 PM

**The BLTs** (Jon Newlin and Amy Davis) delighted audiences at the 2016 FSGW Getaway. They are joined by fiddle master **Bob Herring**, formerly of the *Easy Street String Band*. Opening: homegrown six-piece band **After the Flood**. Seekers Church, 276 Carroll St NW, 20012 (Metro: Takoma). Non-members, \$20; Members, \$10.

# MARTIN GROSSWENDT & SUSANNE SALEM-SCHATZ • RIVERDALE, MD FRIDAY, APRIL 14 • 8-10 PM

Presented in partnership with the Archie's Barbershop Blues Heritage Foundation, this powerhouse acoustic roots duo explores the highways and byways of American traditional and vernacular music from pre-war blues, old-time and jug band to jazz standards, honky-tonk and contemporary gems. Archie's Barbershop, 4701 Queensbury Rd, 20737 (Metrobus: F4 from Prince George's Plaza). Non-members, \$20; Members, \$10. Info: **fsgw.org**.

# WORKSHOP: MARTIN GROSSWENDT & SUSANNE SALEM-SCHATZ • RIVERDALE, MD SATURDAY, APRIL 15 • 10:30 AM TO 12:30 PM

Intermediate blues guitar workshop. Presented in partnership with the Archie Edwards Blues Heritage Foundation. Archie's Barbershop, 4701 Queensbury Rd, 20737 (Metrobus: F4 from Prince George's Plaza). \$30; members \$20. Info: fsgw.org.

# MONTHLY PROGRAM: PAUL MCKENNA & FINN MAGILL CD RELEASE CONCERT • SILVER SPRING, MD SATURDAY, APRIL 15 • 7:30-9: 30 pm

The Living Tradition magazine called the **Paul McKenna Band** "the best band of their generation," and in 2009, the MG Alba Scots Trad Music Awards named the band the "Best Up and Coming Artist" of the year. Irish fiddle player **Andrew Finn Magill**, by age 16, was a two-time finalist in the All-Ireland fleadh, and later studied bluegrass and African music. They are touring together as they each release new CDs. Historic Silver Spring B&O Railroad Station, 8100 Georgia Ave, 20910 (Metro: Silver Spring). Non-members, \$20; Members, \$10. Tickets/Info: **fsgw.org**.

#### TAL NACCARATO • ALEXANDRIA, VA FRIDAY, APRIL 21 • 6:30-8:30 PM

Born in the Appenine Mountains of Italy, raised in New York City, **Tal Naccarato**, included in the "Who's Who" of **TheCountryBlues.com**'s 500 top practitioners of the traditional, country blues and acoustic roots blues, lives on the road in his RV playing acoustic Americana. Emma's Espresso & Wine Bar, 106 Hume Ave, 22301. \$15 suggested donation. Info: **fsgw.org**, **emmascoffee.com**.

# ALL IN, DOWN AND OUT: THE GREAT DEPRESSION IN SONG & STORY BY JANE VOSS & HOYLE OSBORNE • TAKOMA, DC SUNDAY, APRIL 23 • 7:30-9:30 PM

Jane Voss and Hoyle Osborne present their historical concert–lecture about the Great Depression, a period that inspired an amazing body of American music and song: Woody Guthrie, Langston Hughes, Irving Berlin, Blind Alfred Reed, Vernon Dalhart, E.Y. Harburg, Bessie Smith, and more. Electric Maid Community Exchange (Metro: Takoma). Nonmembers, \$20; Members, \$10. Audio samples, fsgw.org.

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### **Upcoming FSGW Events** continued from page 11

Register for **Chesapeake Dance Weekend!** Beat the rush and sign up today! Contras, squares, and blues dancing all weekend long—April

28–30! Registration is now open! Reserve your

spot and dance with us:







#### For details and updates, see fsgw.org

#### COMING IN MAY

Friday, May 5 • 7:30 pm	Monthly Program: <b>Sarah Murdoch</b> with <b>The Squeezers</b>	Takoma, DC
Saturday, May 6 • 7 pm	Sofia Talvik with Lonely Ocean	Takoma, DC
Saturday, May 13 • 8 pm	House Concert: <b>Steve Cormier</b>	Silver Spring, MD
Friday, May 19 • 6:30 pm	Joe & Anna Grace Uehlein	Alexandria, VA
	COMING IN JUNE	
Friday, June 2 • 7:30 pm	John Roberts with Janie Meneely & Rob Van Sante	Takoma, DC
Friday, June 16 • 6:30 pm	Amanda Ekery & Hannah Grantham, Lomax Folk Project	Alexandria, VA
Saturday, June 17 • 3:30 pm	John Lomax 150th Birthday Tribute, Lomax Folk Project	Washington, DC
Saturday, June 17 • 7:30 pm	Monthly Program: <b>Tom Lewis</b>	Takoma, DC
Saturday, June 24 • 8 pm	Sara Grey & Kieron Means	Takoma, DC
	COMING IN JULY	
Friday, July 14 • 8 pm	Monthly Program:  M.S.G. Acoustic Blues Trio  COMING IN SEPTEMBER	Takoma, DC
Friday, September 1 • 7:30 pm		Takoma, DC
Saturday, September 2 • 8 pm	Lynn Noel CD Release Concert	Silver Spring, MD
Saturday, September 9 • 8 pm	Monthly Program: Bare Bones	Takoma, DC

# CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS!

# 37th Annual FSGW Washington Folk Festival • Glen Echo, MD Saturday, June 3 and Sunday, June 4 • 12 Noon to 7 pm

For over three and a half decades, the Folklore Society of Greater Washington has produced the FSGW Washington Folk Festival at historic Glen Echo Park. This free, rain-or-shine event is a celebration of the many cultural traditions that are a part of our Greater Washington community. Over the past few seasons, the Festival has presented music and dance from India, Mongolia, North Africa, Ireland, Scotland, France, Israel, Brazil, Bulgaria, Guatemala, Iran, Turkey, Japan, and Spain, just to name a few. This year's Festival will again provide a rich smorgasbord of international culture along with American blues, bluegrass, old-time string bands, contemporary singer-songwriters, gospel, western swing, storytellers, craft demonstrations, and more. The Festival runs from 12 noon to 7 pm on Saturday and Sunday, June 3 and 4. With seven event areas running



simultaneously and over 85 hours of performances, there is something for everyone at the Washington Folk Festival. In order to produce this Festival, FSGW relies on an army of volunteers. Many have volunteered for decades, but new volunteers are needed each year. A few hours of your time can help make the Festival possible. We need help not only during the festival weekend but also on the weekends of May and June to help with setup and take down. The Festival is particularly in need of people who would like to get more deeply involved in the planning and management of the event. We are looking for new people who can move into the many staff roles that make the Festival happen. These include festival co-coordinators, publicity, web page design, database management, fundraising, performer/staff food coordinator, stagehands, and craft sales management. If you have experience or would like to develop skills in any of these areas, we would love to hear from you. To volunteer, fill out an on-line volunteer form at washingtonfolkfestival. org. If you are interested in exploring a staff role, contact Dwain Winters: dwainfest@aol.com or 301-526-8558.



# Crafí Vendors Apply now! Washington Folk Festival Craft Market

The Washington Folk Festival craft market is accepting inquiries from new craft vendors. This is an indoor/outdoor show with electricity, a wooden structure, and the ability to enclose the entire area overnight and in difficult weather. The average crowd for the two days is about 10,000 visitors. There is music, dance, storytelling, a playground, and much more to attract crowds. To apply: Step 1 is to e-mail at least four digital photos, a booth photo, and a description of your craft to wffcrafts@fsgw.org. If your work seems like a possible

candidate for the show, you will receive an e-mail application, which you should fill out and return by e-mail. Final decisions will be made during April. To learn about the craft show: **somethingextree.com/WFF/WFF\_CraftVendors.html**. To learn about the Festival: **fsgw.org**.

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5:45 Carpe Diem! Family Fun Night Out Shannon Dunne & the Shenonigans (Repeats at 6:45): 6:30 Brunswick Bluegrass Jam 6:30 Carpathia Folk Dancers 7:30 Birchmere Concert: The Time Jumpers 7:30 Riverdale Acoustic Open Mic 7:30 FSGW GLEN ECHO INT'L FOLK DANCE 7:30 Hamilton Concert: Cellic Crossings + Geraldine Branagan & The Irish Pops Ensemble 8 Alexandria Int'l Folk Dance 8 Baldwin's Station Concert: No Fuss and Feathers 8 Barns at Wolf Trap Concert: Livingston Taylor + Rebecca Loebe 8 "Blues in the Night" Musical for Creative Cauldron Foggy Bottom Morris Men 8:15 Glen Echo Back Room Blues Dance	7:30 FSGW OPEN SING  8 "Blues in the Night" Musical for Creative Cauldron 8 Hamilton Concert: Los Lobos + Matt Anderson 8:30 Friday Night Contra Dance 8:30 Greenbelt Int'l Folk Dance	1 Archie Edwards Blues Jam 4 Berryville Shape Note Singing 7 Galesville Square Dance (potluck at 6 pm) 8 "Blues in the Night" Musical for Creative Cauldron 8 Common Ground on the Hill Concert: Bruce Molsky & Molsky's Mountain Drifters 8 Hamilton Concert: Tab Benoit + Alanna Royale 8 Shepherdstown Contra Dance
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# 2017

Saturday & Sunday, April 1 & 2

28TH ANNUAL

POTOMAC RIVER

SACRED HARP

CONVENTION

Great Falls, VA

Friday-Sunday, April 28–30
35TH ANNUAL
CHESAPEAKE DANCE
WEEKEND

Camp Letts, Edgewater, MD

Saturday, May 20

31ST ANNUAL WASHINGTON SPRING BALL

Silver Spring, MD

Saturday & Sunday, June 3 and 4

# 37TH ANNUAL WASHINGTON FOLK FESTIVAL

Glen Echo Park, MD

Friday–Monday September 15–18

# 53RD ANNUAL FSGW GETAWAY

West River Conference Center West River, MD

Friday, October 6 • 8 pm

#### **ARCHIE FISHER**

Scottish Folk Legend
Seekers Church • Takoma, DC

Saturday, November 18 • 7:30 pm

#### **ED TRICKETT**

Seekers Church • Takoma, DC



### **Concerts**

This is a selection of upcoming concerts at these venues; please see their websites for full event schedules.

#### CONCERT SERIES

#### AMP by Strathmore • North Bethesda, MD

11810 Grand Park Ave, 20852 • ampbystrathmore.com

#### Bumper Jacksons Friday, March 10 • 8 pm

Old-time, blues, jug band, retro roots entertainment; \$22-30

#### CARLOS NÚÑEZ Tuesday, March 14 • 8 pm

World-famous Galician bagpiper and flutist; \$30-40

### SHENANDOAH RUN SATURDAY, MARCH 25 • 8 PM

Nine-piece band: vintage Americana, contemporary folk, bluegrass; \$25–35

#### JENNIFER CUTTING'S OCEAN ORCHESTRA FRIDAY, MARCH 31 • 8 PM

CD release features Celtic tradition, British folk rock, eclectic routes. Plus *The Kennedys* and *Washington Revels* singers. Co-sponsored by FSGW (see front page); \$20–30

#### BALDWIN'S STATION • SYKESVILLE, MD

7618 Main St, 21784 • All shows 8 pm uptownconcerts.org • 410-795-1041

#### No Fuss and Feathers Thursday, March 2

The YaYas (Catherine Miles & Jay Mafale), Karyn Oliver, and Carolann Solebello; \$20

# THE KENNEDYS THURSDAY, MARCH 9

Guitar-driven folk rock, 20th Anniversary triple-CD release tour; \$20

#### BIRCHMERE CONCERT HALL • ALEXANDRIA, VA

3701 Mt. Vernon Ave, 22304. All shows 7:30 pm birchmere.com • 703-549-7500

### THE TIME JUMPERS, FEAT. VINCE GILL, KENNY SEARS,

#### "Ranger Doug" Green, and Paul Franklin Thursday, March 2

Country, bluegrass, western with some of the greats; \$59.50

# TOMMY EMMANUEL + JOE ROBINSON TUESDAY, MARCH 7 & WEDNESDAY, MARCH 8

Two generations of guitar virtuosos; \$49.50

#### LADYSMITH BLACK MAMBAZO TUESDAY, MARCH 14

Legendary world music chorus from South Africa; footwork, too; \$49.50

#### Tom Rush Saturday, March 18

Legendary blues and folk performer for more than 50 years; **Matt Nakoa**, young singer-songwriter opens and accompanies; \$45

#### BLACKROCK CENTER FOR THE ARTS GERMANTOWN, MD

12901 Town Commons Dr, 20874 • blackrockcenter.org

#### LUNASA

Friday, March 17 • 8 pm

Irish band for St. Patrick's Day; \$37-45

# THE KEN & BRAD KOLODNER QUARTET SATURDAY, MARCH 25 • 8 PM

Father & son lead old-time, bluegrass on hammered dulcimer, banjo, fiddles; \$27–35

#### CARROLL CAFÉ CONCERT SERIES • TAKOMA, DC

Seekers Church, 276 Carroll St NW, 20012 (Takoma Metro) carrollcafe.org • info@carrollcafe.org

#### MINAS

Friday, March 10 • 7:30-10 pm

Contemporary Brazilian music. \$18 adv/\$20 door

#### CELLAR STAGE • BALTIMORE, MD

5315 Harford Rd, 21214 • uptown concerts.com

#### KEVIN BURKE FRIDAY, MARCH 10 • 8 PM

Renowned Irish fiddler; \$21

#### HEATHER AUBREY LLOYD + KIPYN MARTIN + VICTORIA VOX FRIDAY, MARCH 24 • 8 PM

Eclectic, noted songwriters in-the-round; \$21

### Common Ground on the Hill • Westminster, MD

Carroll Arts Center • commongroundonthehill.org

#### Bruce Molsky & Molsky's Mountain Drifters Saturday, March 4 • 8 pm

Noted fiddler joined by **Allison de Groot** (clawhammer banjo) & **Stash Wyslouch** (guitar); \$25

+ Old-time workshop with the band, 1–3pm, \$50; McDaniel College, 91 West Main St, 21157

# THE KRUGER BROTHERS SATURDAY, MARCH 18 • 8 PM

From Bill Monroe to J.S. Bach on banjo, guitar, bass, & vocals; amazing! WMC Alumni Hall, McDaniel College, Hersh Ave & W Main St, 21157; \$25

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#### Gypsy Sally's • Washington, DC

3401 K St NW, 20007 · gypsysallys.com Free Open Mic most Tuesdays upstairs in Vinyl Lounge, 8 pm

#### THE DRUNKEN HEARTS THURSDAY, MARCH 9 • 8:30 PM

Americana group + openers Cranford Holly; \$10/12

#### REDLEG HUSKY THURSDAY. MARCH 16 • 7:30 PM

Acoustic roots trio, upstairs in Vinyl Lounge; no cover

#### LARRY KEEL EXPERIENCE SATURDAY, MARCH 25 · 8:30 PM

Newgrass + openers Dirty Grass Players + Peck & Penn; \$15/17

# THE HAMILTON • WASHINGTON, DC 600 14th St NW (at F), 20005 • thehamiltondc.com

"CELTIC CROSSINGS" FEATURING PHIL COULTER & ANDY COONEY THURSDAY, MARCH 2 • 7:30 PM

Legendary Irish talent with guests Geraldine Branagan & The *Irish Pops Ensemble*; \$20.75–58.50

#### Los Lobos FRIDAY, MARCH 3 • 8 PM

Noted Mexican-American band + opener, Canadian bluesman Matt Anderson; \$49.75-55

#### TAB BENOIT SATURDAY, MARCH 4 • 8 PM

Cajun bluesman + opener Alanna Royale band; \$25-35

#### ENTER THE HAGGIS + WE BANJO 3 Tuesday, March 7 • 7:30 pm

Celtic rock + Irish newgrass; \$16.75-25.25

#### PAUL THORN FRIDAY, MARCH 10 • 8 PM

Gospel-inflected roots rock + opener New Orleans songwriter **Andrew Duhon**; \$24.75–49.75

#### Young Dubliners THURSDAY, MARCH 16 • 7:30 PM

Celtic rock; get ready to dance; \$19.75-29.75

#### RHONDA VINCENT & THE RAGE SUNDAY, MARCH 19 • 6:30 PM

Bluegrass firecracker & her top-notch band; \$25-50

#### **RED BARAAT'S FESTIVAL OF COLORS** FRIDAY, MARCH 24 & SATURDAY, MARCH 25 • 8 PM

Celebration of Hindu holiday, Holi, feat. South Asian music; \$20-25



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#### ALASDAIR FRASER & NATALIE HAAS • ROCKVILLE, MD Friday, March 10 • 7:30 pm

Master Scottish fiddler + Natalie Hass. Saint Mark Presbyterian Church, 10701 Old Georgetown Rd, 20852. \$25 adv/\$29 door. Students \$20 adv/\$24 door

#### RICHIE AND ROSIE • TAKOMA PARK, MD Monday, March 27 • 7:30 pm

Dynamic duo Richie Stearns and Rosie Newton are rooted in the Americana tradition. The John Kendall Hall at Potter Violins, 7711 Eastern Ave, 20912. \$15 adv/\$20 door. Students: \$12 adv/\$17 door.

#### Jammin' Java • Vienna, VA

227 Maple Ave E, 22180; jamminjava.com

#### JULIAN LAGE & CHRIS ELDRIDGE **SUNDAY, MARCH 5 • 7:30 PM**

Guitarists play eclectic mix of folk, jazz, bluegrass; \$20-22

#### THE KENNEDYS SATURDAY, MARCH 11 • 6 PM

Guitar-driven folk rock, 20th Anniversary triple-CD release tour; \$22-25

#### LINDSAY LOU & THE FLATBELLYS Wednesday, March 15 • 7:30 pm

Americana, alt-bluegrass band; \$15

#### JACK BROADBENT SATURDAY, MARCH 25 • 6:30 PM

Bluesy, British slide guitarist; \$18-20

#### Peter Mulvey SUNDAY, MARCH 26 • 7:30 PM

Noted folk-style singer/songwriter; \$15-18

#### David Lindley WEDNESDAY, MARCH 29 • 7:30 PM

Entertaining, eclectic, guitar plus; \$22–30

#### MAD CITY COFFEE • COLUMBIA, MD

10801 Hickory Ridge Rd, 21044 410-964-8671 · madcitycoffee.com

#### **MUSIC MATTERS SHOWCASE** DOMINIC LAROCCA WITH DENEE BARR, GRANT GOLDBERG, AND SCOTT SIVAKOFF SATURDAY, MARCH 18 • 6:30-9:30 PM

Hosted by Joseph Isaacs and Mad City Coffee. Four performers play four-song sets round-robin style. Free, but donations to "Bread For The City" for the homeless accepted.



#### THE OLD BROGUE IRISH PUB • GREAT FALLS, VA

760-C Walker Rd, 22066

Sundays. Two sittings: 4 & 6 pm. A third sitting will be added at 8 if the first two sell out. \$18/\$12 children; Season ticket \$96

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#### IONA

#### SUNDAY, MARCH 5

The full spectrum of Celtic music, song, and dance from this seminal band

#### ROBIN BULLOCK SUNDAY, MARCH 12

Prominent Celtic bouzouki, guitar, and mandolin expert



#### RESTON-HERNDON FOLK CLUB HERNDON, VA

Amphora's Diner Deluxe–Herndon, 1151 Elden St, 20170

restonherndonfolkclub.com · 703-435-2402 jamesue@aol.com

### RUNAWAY HOME TUESDAY, MARCH 21 • 7:15 PM

Panoramic-Americana band, featuring Mark Elliott & Gary Culley. \$12-13

#### 333 Coffeehouse • Annapolis, MD

333concerts.org • 443-333-9613 333coffeehouse@gmail.com

# 333 Coffeehouse 25th Anniversary Celebration Friday, March 17 • 7:30 PM

A night for celebration, singalongs, and special performances by 333's past and present hosts, including **Max Ochs**, **Janie Meneely**, **Tom Rhoads**, **Amy Ksir**, and friends. Annapolis Friends Mtg, 351 DuBois Rd, 21401. \$12/\$10 students/65+/ATDS/FSGW/BFMS.

#### TREE OF LIFE CAFÉ • ROCKVILLE, MD

The Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Rockville, 100 Welsh Park Dr, 20850

# THE MARSH BROTHERS & GREG DILLON AND FRIENDS FRIDAY, MARCH 10 • 8-10:30 PM

**The Marsh Bothers Duo** will keep us jumping with their unique folk-rock-blues-country-reggae sound, and **Greg Dillon and Friends** will entertain us with a mix of beautiful ballads, classic rock, and pop.

#### Weinberg Center for the Arts • Frederick, MD

20 West Patrick St, 21701; weinbergcenter.org

# MATT ANDERSEN THURSDAY, MARCH 2 • 7:30 PM

Award-winning Canadian blues singer/songwriter; \$10 suggested

MANDOLIN ORANGE FRIDAY, MARCH 24 • 8 PM

Americana duo; \$20/25

#### THE BARNS AT WOLF TRAP • VIENNA, VA

1635 Trap Rd, 22182; wolftrap.org

#### BALLAKÉ SISSOKO & VINCENT SEGAL WEDNESDAY, MARCH 1 • 8 PM

Malian kora player & French cellist collaborate; \$25–27

### LIVINGSTON TAYLOR THURSDAY, MARCH 2 • 8 PM

Fifty years as singer/songwriter; new release, "Safe Home." **Rebecca Loebe** opens; \$25–27

### ARI HEST + CHRISSI POLAND FRIDAY, MARCH 10 • 8 PM

Compelling singer/songwriter, has collaborated with Judy Collins + lyrical vocalist **Chrissi Poland**; \$25–30

#### NOAM PIKELNY WEDNESDAY, MARCH 29 • 8 PM

Award-winning banjo player; \$22-25

#### INDIVIDUAL CONCERTS

# "Blues in the Night" for Creative Cauldron Falls Church, VA

THURSDAY, FRIDAY, & SATURDAY MARCH 2, 3, AND 4 8 pm + Sunday, March 5 • 7 pm

Musical set in 1938, all dialogue via songs of the time; ArtSpace Falls Church, 410 S Maple Ave, 22046; \$30 (discounts for seniors/students,/groups).

# CARPE DIEM! JUMP START WITH THE ARTS FAMILY FUN NIGHT OUT • SILVER SPRING, MD THURSDAY, MARCH 2 • 5:45 & 6:45 PM (TWO 20-25 MINUTE CHILDREN'S SHOWS)

Featuring **Shannon Dunne & The Shenanigans**! St. Patrick's Celebration! El Golfo, 8739 Flower Ave, 20901. \$5 adults (comes with free dessert or drink, incl. margarita & wine). Children, free! Info: **CarpeDiemArts.org/family-fun-night-out**.

#### THE TRAVELERS • HERNDON, VA SATURDAY, MARCH 11 • 7:30-9:30 PM

**The Travelers** are a stellar traditional bluegrass band made up of seasoned veterans who have individually played with many legendary bluegrass bands over the past two to three decades. Holy Cross Lutheran Church, 1090 Sterling Rd, 20170. \$15 (12 and younger, free). Info: **Bob Thompson**, **703-435-8377**, or **kd4fue2@verizon.net**.

#### THE CITY OF FALLS CHURCH CONCERT BAND FALLS CHURCH, VA THURSDAY, MARCH 16 • 7:30 PM

**The City of Falls Church Concert Band** will present a free St. Patrick's Day concert. (This community band welcomes members of all ages: if you played an instrument in high school but haven't played since, all you need to join is an instrument in working order and transportation to get to rehears

**CONCERTS** continued

als on Wednesdays at 7:45 in the band room of Falls Church's George Mason High School.) Mary Ellen Henderson Middle School, 7130 Leesburg Pike, 22043. Info: **fallschurchconcertband.org/**.

# THE VILLAGE AT ROCKVILLE MAGNIFY CONCERT SERIES • ROCKVILLE, MD FEATURING WASHINGTON REVELS GALLERY VOICES SUNDAY, MARCH 19 • 3-4 PM

Washington Revels Gallery Voices performs for the residents of the Village at Rockville and the public. The Chapel, The Village at Rockville, 9701 Veirs Dr, 20850. Free. RSVP online in advance: revelsdc.org/2017/mar19-gv-villageat-rockville/.

# EDDIE & MARTHA ADCOCK WITH TOM GRAY HERNDON, VA FRIDAY, MARCH 24 • 7:30-9:30 PM

Both **Eddie** and **Tom** were members of the original, and truly legendary, *Country Gentlemen* band in the early stages of their careers. Eddie's wife **Martha** rounds out this trio with her magnificent voice. Holy Cross Lutheran Church, 1090 Sterling Rd, 20170. \$15 (12 and younger, free). Info: **Bob Thompson**, **703-435-8377**, or **kd4fue2@verizon.net**.

# JEREMIAH McLane AND TIMOTHY CUMMINGS WASHINGTON, DC THURSDAY, MARCH 23 • 7:30-9:30 PM

Vermont duo **Jeremiah McLane** (accordion) and **Timothy Cummings** (bagpipes) bring their beguiling repertoire of Breton and Scottish Border tunes and original compositions reflecting North American influences for a special intimate

performance. 1334 Hamlin St NE, 20017. \$10–15 donation. RSVP/info: **HamlinStDinerRSVP@gmail.com**.

# CELEBRATION OF STRINGS • SHEPHERDSTOWN, WV FRIDAY, MARCH 24 • 8 PM

This showcase concert of the Upper Potomac Spring Music Weekend presents this year's special guests: Swedish fiddle and nykelharpa players **lydia ievans** and **Andrea Larsen**; as well as hammered dulcimer player, **Steve Schneider** accompanied by multi-instrumentalist **Paul Oorts**. There will be a short opening set with our other hammered dulcimer staff, **Randy Marchany**, **Jody Marshall**, and **Anne Lough**. Shepherdstown Presbyterian Church, 100 W Washington St, 25443. \$20/\$18 seniors/\$15 SMAD members/\$10 students. Info: **Joanie**, **304-263-2531** or **updf@earthlink.net**, **smad.us**, or **upperpotomac@gmail.com**. \$20 adults, \$18 seniors, \$15 members, \$10 students.

#### Meneely & Van Sante House Concert Edgewater, MD Saturday, March 25 • 7-10 pm

Music starts at 7:30 pm, when singer/songwriter Janie Meneely joins forces with Dutch-born guitarist/balladeer Rob van Sante for a lively evening of maritime music derived from the old world and the new. Meneely brings the characters and history of the Chesapeake Bay watermen to life with witty and sometimes poignant clarity. Van Sante, who has toured extensively with the likes of Alan Reid (Battlefield Band), Kate Rusby, John Connolly, and other folk luminaries, adds his own take on traditional music while backing Janie up on guitar and vocals. At the home of Michele and Dennis Callaghan. Suggested donation, \$15. RSVP/directions: callagh@verizon.net or 410-956-2266.

### **Dances**

Ceili

#### GWCC CEILI • COLLEGE PARK, MD SUNDAY, MARCH 26 • 3-8 PM

The Greater Washington Ceili Club (GWCC) sponsors a 4th Sunday dance (Sept–May). Music this month by southern Maryland's lively *Pride of Patuxent Pond Scum*. Boyne Set workshop at 3. Ceili 4–8, with potluck dinner during the first break. Cherry Hill Park Ballroom, 9800 Cherry Hill Rd, 20740. Members, \$15; Non-members, \$20. Ages 11–20 half price. Ages 10 and under free. Info/entrance code: 301-512-4480 or gwcc-online.org.

COMMUNITY/FAMILY

Sundays

FSGW Family Dance Details on page 10.

Thursdays

#### FRONT ROYAL FAMILY DANCE • FRONT ROYAL, VA 2ND THURSDAYS • 6-7:30 PM

Line, circle, and square sets. Free and open to all. Samuels Public Library, 330 East Criser Rd, 22630. Info: tommack1861@gmail.com or facebook.com/SVCWED.

Saturdays



BFMS FAMILY DANCE • PIKESVILLE, MD NONE THIS MONTH Info: bfms.org/family-Dance.php.

#### GALESVILLE COMMUNITY SQUARE DANCE • MD SATURDAY, MARCH 4 • 7 PM (OPTIONAL POTLUCK AT 6 PM)

Dance squares, circles, longway sets, and waltzes. **Janine Smith** calls to traditional Appalachian dance tunes by **Leah Weiss** (fiddle), **Gary Wright** (guitar) and friends. Sit-ins welcome on fiddle, guitar, and clawhammer banjo. All ages welcome. Doors open 5:45; optional potluck 6; family-friendly dancing 7; more challenging dancing 8:30. Galesville Memo-

rial Hall, 952 Galesville Rd, 20765 (near Annapolis). \$10; Kids 5–17, \$5. Info: communitysquaredance.wordpress.com or **301-926-9142**.

#### CONTRA

Sundays

#### FSGW Sunday Night Dances Defails on page 9.





# BFMS CONTRA DANCE • BALTIMORE, MD WEDNESDAYS • 8-10:30 PM

Beginners always welcome. New dancer workshops at 7:30 pm on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays. Nationally known musicians and callers appear regularly. BFMS/FSGW Members, \$9; Non-members, \$13. Lovely Lane Church, 2200 St. Paul St, 21218. Info: **bfms.org**.

#### March

- 1 Shane Knudsen calls to Organic Family Band: Michael Raitzyk (guitar), Jakob Raitzyk (fiddle), Rebekah Gellar (fiddle), and Judith Gellar (french horn)
- 8 Ann Fallon calls to Rhapsody: Alexander Mitchell (fiddle), Marty Taylor (whistles, concertina), Ralph Gordon (bass), and Dave Wiesler (piano, guitar). New Dancer Workshop at 7:30.
- 15 TBD calls to Wombats: Carl Friedman and friends.
- **22 Kim Forry** calls to *Backstep Cindy*: Sandy Hofferth (fiddle), Howard Zane (banjo), and Joe Langley (guitar). New Dancer Workshop at 7:30.
- 29 Caroline Barnes calls to Dance du Jour: Alexander Mitchell (fiddle), Liz Donaldson (piano), and Ralph Gordon (bass). New Dancer Orientation Workshop at 7:30.

Thursdays

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Fridays

# FRIDAY NIGHT DANCERS • GLEN ECHO, MD FRIDAYS • 8:30-11:30 PM

The Friday Night Dancers, a non-profit, volunteer-based organization, in cooperation with the National Park Service, Montgomery County, and the Glen Echo Park Partnership for Arts and Culture, sponsors weekly contra dances to live music in the historic Glen Echo Spanish Ballroom (unless otherwise specified), 7300 MacArthur Blvd, 20812. New dancer class every week from 7:30 to 8:15 pm. \$10 for the lesson and dance. \$5 for age 17 and under. (Age 17 and under free on second Fridays.) Info: FridayNightDance.org or 301-632-2222, or the Friday Night Dance at Glen Echo Park Facebook page.

#### March

- Will Mentor calls to Stringrays with Rodney Miller (fiddle); Max Newman (guitar); and Stuart Kenney (upright bass, five-string banjo)
- 10 TBD with the fabulous Glen Echo Open Band
- 17 Ted Hodapp calls to *Contratopia* with Patrice Pakiz (piano, oboe, percussion), Erik Sessions (fiddle), John Goodin (mandolin, guitar), and Pat O'Loughlin (banjo, English concertina, percussion)
- 24 Tom Calwell and Myra Hirschberg call to Bell, Tracy, and Vallimont with Rachel Bell, accordion; Becky Tracy (fiddle); and Julie Vallimont (piano, accordion)
- 31 Adina Gordon calls to *Pete's Posse* with Pete Sutherland (fiddle, piano, banjo, melodica, vocals); Oliver Scanlon (fiddle, viola, mandolin, feet, vocals); and Tristan Henderson (guitars, mandolin, jaw harp, feet, vocals)

Saturdays

# ATDS CONTRA DANCE • ANNAPOLIS, MD SATURDAY, MARCH 18 • 6:30-10 PM

We welcome *Contratopia*, a top-shelf band touring from the upper midwest. They are *Erik Sessions* (fiddle), *Patrice Pakiz* (piano, oboe, percussion), *Pat O'Loughlin* (English concertina, banjo), and *John Goodin* (mandolin, guitar). *Ted Hodapp* will call. The evening includes a free introductory session at 6:30; dance 7–10 pm. All ages welcome. All dances taught and walked through. No experience or partner required. Snacks to share at the break welcome! Annapolis Friends Meeting Hall, 351 Dubois Rd, 21401. \$10/discounts for seniors/students/families/ATDS. Info: *contradancers.com/atds*; *Jan Scopel*, 443-540-0867 or *janscope@hotmail.com*; or *Charlotte Featherstone*, 203-247-3964 or *charlotte.featherstone@verizon.net*.

#### BFMS CONTRA DANCE • BALTIMORE, MD SECOND SATURDAYS, MARCH 11 • 8 PM



BFMS presents 2nd Saturday contra and square dancing. Hilton Baxter calls to *Terpsichore*: Elke Baker (fiddle), Liz Donaldson (piano), and Ralph Gordon (bass). Introduction to contra dancing from 7:35 to 7:55; dance from 8 to 11 pm. Beginners, singles, couples, and families welcome. No experience or partner necessary. Bring a snack & bring a friend. St. Mark's on the Hill, 1620 Reisterstown Rd, 21208. S9 Members, \$13 Non-members. Under 21 full-time students with ID \$4 Members, \$6 Non-members. Info: Sara Glik, satdance@bfms.org or BFMS hotline, 888-646-BFMS.

#### FREDERICK CONTRA DANCE • FREDERICK, MD SATURDAY, MARCH 25 • 8-11 PM

Frederick welcomes the *Washington Area Open Band* (known to many as the fabulous *Glen Echo Open Band*) led by **Steve Hickman** (fiddle). **Delaura Padovan** will call the figures. Snacks to share at the break are welcome. Introductory workshop at 7:15. Trinity School, 6040 New Design Rd, 21703. \$10/students, \$5. Info: **Boe Walker** at **301-694-6794** or **contradancers.com**.

DANCES continued

#### LANCASTER CONTRA DANCE • LANCASTER, PA SATURDAY, MARCH 18 • 7-10 PM

Dan Black calls to Devine Comedy with Steve Hickman (fiddle), John Devine (guitar), and Marty Taylor (concertina, whistle). St. John's Episcopal Church, 321 W. Chestnut St, 17603. Beginners' Workshop, 6:15. \$9/students, \$6. Children 15 and under free. Info: Karen, 717-951-4317 or lancastercontra.org.

#### SHEPHERDSTOWN CONTRA DANCE • WV SATURDAY, MARCH 4 • 8 PM

Will Mentor calls to the music of Graham DeZarn and Friends. War Memorial Building, 102 E. German St, 25443. All levels welcome, no partners needed. Please wear clean, soft-soled shoes to protect the floor. Potluck snacks at the break. Free introductory workshop, 7:30. SMAD Members, \$8; Non-members, \$12; Under 12, \$5. Info: John Sauer, 301-**542-3272** or **smad.us**.

#### ENGLISH COUNTRY

#### Mondays

#### BFMS English Country 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 Mondays at 7:45 pm. St. Mark's on the Hill Parish Hall, 1620 Reisterstown Rd, 21208. BFMS/ATDS/FSGW/CDSS Members, \$8; Non-members, \$11; \$2 student discount. Info: Sharon McKinley, 410-660-9147 or engdance@bfms.org.

#### March

- **6** Free New Dancer Orientation at 7:45. **Ann Fallon** calls to the music of Carl Friedman (violin), Mark Vidor, (accordion), and Janina O'Brien (piano)
- 13 Carl Friedman calls the figures to the music of Jeff Steinberg (violin), Robin Wilson (flute and concertina), and Francine Krasowska (piano)
- 20 April Blum will be the caller; music provided by Emily Aubrey (violin), Steve Epstein (clarinet), and Liz Donaldson (piano)
- 27 Andrea Nettleton of Atlanta calls to the music of Becky Ross (violin), Dave Crandall (winds), and Jonathan Jensen (piano, etc.)

#### Wednesdays

#### FSGW English Country Dance Defails on page 8.

Saturdays

#### English Country Dance • Silver Spring, MD SATURDAY, MARCH 11 • 8-10:45 PM

Dance to music by **Peascods Gathering**; calling by **Bob Far**rall. Beginners and singles welcome. Glen Haven Elementary School, 10900 Inwood Ave, 20902 (Parking and entrance in rear). \$5. Info: Carl Minkus, 301-493-6281 or cminkus@ verizon.net; or Bob Farrall, 301-577-5018.

#### THE LEESBURG ASSEMBLY • GREAT FALLS, VA SATURDAY, MARCH 18 • 7:30-10:30 PM

Join us for our monthly dance. Tom Spilsbury calls to music by Liz Donaldson All dances taught and called. Please consider bringing a refreshment to share. \$10; Students, \$5. St. Francis Episcopal Church Hall, 9220 Georgetown Pike, 22066 (4.7 miles west of the Beltway). Info: Laurel Bybell (Secretary), lbybell@gmail.com or 703-791-5603; or theleesburgassembly.org.

#### INTERNATIONAL -

#### Mondays

#### BETHESDA INTERNATIONAL FOLK • BETHESDA, MD Mondays • 7:30-10 PM

Come join our friendly group and learn dances from all over the world. Beginners 7:30-8 pm, Intermediate/Advanced 8–10 pm (requests from 9:15–10 pm). No partner needed. All levels of experience welcome. Adults over 16. Mostly recorded music; wonderful wood floor. Jane Lawton Community Ctr, 4301 Willow Ln, 20815. \$7. Info: Phyllis or Brandon, 301-871-8788 or DiamondDanceCircle.com; or Diamond-DanceCircle@comcast.net.

#### Tuesdays

#### ISRAELI DANCING • CHEVY CHASE, MD Tuesdays • 7-10:30 PM

Instruction from 7 to 7:45 pm. We focus 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 Ln, 20815. Adults, \$8; Students, \$6. Info: Mike Fox, 240-424-0805 or markidmike.com.

#### Wednesdays

#### COLUMBIA FOLK DANCERS • COLUMBIA, MD WEDNESDAYS • 8-10:30 PM

We meet at Kahler Hall in Columbia, Village of Harper's Choice. Class at 8 pm, dancing starts at 8:30 pm. Requests taken throughout the evening. \$5 (\$3 for seniors). Info: Ethel, 410-997-1613; Ed, 410-740-2309; or columbia folkdancers.org.

#### Thursdays

#### ALEXANDRIA FOLK DANCERS • ALEXANDRIA, VA THURSDAYS (No DANCE MARCH 23) • 8-10 PM

We welcome beginners and advanced dancers; no partner necessary. Friendly and diverse group; fabulous wooden floor; and a mix of easy dances, advanced instruction, and requested dances. No dancing March 23 (annual church event). Mt. Vernon Unitarian Church, 1909 Windmill Ln, 22307. Donation, \$4. Info: Patricia, 703-472-3888 or pdw@patriciadaywilliams.com.

DANCES continued

# CARPATHIA FOLK DANCERS • WASHINGTON, DC THURSDAYS • 6:30-9 PM

Carpathia is Washington's multi-ethnic Eastern & Central European dance performance ensemble. We are currently looking for 3–4 new men and women who are interested in performing dances from a variety of countries including Ukraine, Poland, Romania, Germany, and Bulgaria. We rehearse on Thursday evenings in Foggy Bottom, and have dancers from 16 years old to their mid-40s (we are open to any interested in fast-paced performance dance of at least 14 years old). Costumes are provided by the ensemble. Info: carpathiadc@gmail.com or facebook.com/carpathiadc.

### CIRCLE DANCE • ARLINGTON, VA 3rd and 5th Thursdays • 7:30-9:30 pm

Come and explore dances from all over the world in a spirit of mediation and joy. All dances taught. Recorded music. Unitarian Universalist Church of Arlington, 4444 Arlington Blvd, 22204 (Rte 50 at George Mason Dr). Donation requested. Info: **Ann Ulmschneider**, **703-528-5114** or **aulmsch@msn.com**.

# GLEN ECHO INTERNATIONAL FOLK DANCERS BETHESDA, MD THURSDAYS • 7:30-10:45 PM

Lesson at 7:30 pm, request dances from 9 to 10:45 pm. Mostly recorded music. No partner or experience necessary. Wear comfortable clothing and soft-soled shoes. Co-sponsored by FSGW. Church of the Redeemer, 6201 Dunrobbin Dr, 20816 (near the intersection of Goldsboro and MacArthur). \$5 Info: Jamie, 301-466-3018 or dancingplanet@erols.com.

#### Fridays

#### GREENBELT FOLK DANCING • GREENBELT, MD FRIDAYS • 8:30 PM

We focus on dance from Eastern Europe and Scandinavia. No partner or experience necessary. Beautiful dance floor. Teaching from 8:30 to 9:15 pm, requests from 9:15 on. Greenbelt Community Center Dance Studio, 15 Crescent Rd, 20770. \$7/students and seniors half-price. Check website for special events. Info: Larry Weiner, 301-565-0539 or larry@larry-weiner.com; or larryweiner.com/FridayDance.htm.

#### MORRIS

#### MASON DIXON BORDER MORRIS • ADELPHI, MD Some Sundays • 12-2 pm

Possibly the oldest and most fictitious morris team in North America. Gender irrelevant, steampunk a plus. Practices usually twice a month at Ballroom Blum. Info: blgraham\_99@ yahoo.com or facebook.com/masondixonbordermorris.

# ROCK CREEK MORRIS WOMEN • BETHESDA, MD WEDNESDAYS • 7:30-9:45 PM

Learn English morris dancing and become part of a community that dances, sings, and socializes together. Bethesda Elementary School, 7600 Arlington Rd, 20814 (walkable from

Bethesda Metro). Info: RCMW@uswet.com, or uswet.com/RCMW.html.

#### FOGGY BOTTOM MORRIS MEN • TAKOMA, 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, 20012, and/or at the pub afterward. Info: Alan Peel, 301-920-1912, squire@fbmm.org, or fbmm.org.

#### SCANDINAVIAN -

#### Norwegian Potluck, Concert, & Dance Columbia, MD Saturday, March 11 • Potluck 6 PM, Mini-concert 7:30 PM, Dancing 8 PM

Norwegian-style house party. Mesmerizing live music by guest fiddler Vilde Aaslid on the unique Hardanger fiddle (w/sympathetic strings under the bowed strings-see HFAA. org). Addictive dances, some with elements like swing or hambo. Beginners, singles/couples, and watchers/listeners all welcome. Bring clean shoes to wear, food to share, and bucks you can spare. Cat in residence. Host Deb Weinreich, 410-953-0030. Info/directions: MAND.fanitull.org or Jenny, pi@xecu.net, 301-371-4312.

#### Saturdays

# SCANDIA DC DANCE • GREENBELT, MD THIRD SATURDAYS, MARCH 18 • 7-10 PM

Scandia DC sponsors Scandinavian couples dancing on the 3rd Saturday of the month. This month live fiddle music will feature **Paul Carlson**, a talented fiddler who is passionate about Scandinavian fiddle music. There may be some recorded music. No partners necessary. Teaching 7–8: Gammalvänster from Oviken—a wonderful dance from northern Sweden done to beautiful music. Open dancing 8–10 pm. Greenbelt Community Center Dance Studio (wood floor), 15 Crescent Rd, 20770. \$10. Info: **Linda Brooks** or **Ross Schipper**, **202-333-2826** or **Linda@ScandiaDC.org**; or **ScandiaDC.org**. Inclement weather, **301-474-0646**.

#### Scottish.

See rscds-greaterdc.org for all Scottish dance listings

#### Bethesda Scottish Country Dance • MD Mondays • 8-10 pm

National Institutes of Health Building T-39 (Dance and Aerobic Center). Call or email in advance for directions. Info: **John MacLeod**, **301-622-5945** or **blackolav@gmail.com**.

# GREENBELT SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCE • MD TUESDAYS • 8-10 PM

Dance all year 'round at the Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Rd, 20770. \$8. Info: Jay Andrews, 703-719-0596 or andrewj@rcn.com.

**DANCES** continued

# ALEXANDRIA SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCE • VA WEDNESDAYS • 8-9:45 PM

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

#### SQUARE

#### FSGW Great American Square Dance Revival Details Page 10.

#### BLUEMONT COUNTRY DANCES • HILLSBORO, VA SATURDAY, MARCH 18 • 8 PM (BEGINNERS WORKSHOP, 7:30 PM)

Old-time contra dances. Third Saturday of each month, October through May. Held for over 40 years, the dances, which feature old-time contra and square dancing with music provided by live bands, are the Bluemont Concert Series' oldest tradition and attract residents and visitors throughout the area. Instruction and figure calling are provided throughout each dance. Families and single dancers are welcome. Hillsboro Old Stone School, 37098 Charles Town Pike, 20132. Bluemont Friends, Students, and Seniors, \$8; Others, \$12. Info: bluemont.org. To sponsor a dance, become a Bluemont member, and/or volunteer: Lily Dunning, lily@bluemont.org or 540-955-8186.

#### SWING/BLUES -

#### BACK ROOM BLUES • GLEN ECHO, MD THURSDAYS • 8:15-11:30 PM

Popular weekly blues dance in the "Back Room" at the Spanish Ballroom, Glen Echo Park. Sprung wood floor. Beginner lesson from 8:15 to 9 pm. Different DJs and instructors play

blues from 9 to 11:30 pm. 7300 MacArthur Blvd, 20812. Info: **Donna Barker, 301-634-2231** or **CapitalBlues.org**.

#### WAL1Z

#### AFTERNOON WALTZ • GLEN ECHO, MD SUNDAYS • 3:30 PM • BEGINNER LESSON 2:45 PM

Join us for an afternoon of waltzing! The band will play a lively mix of folk waltzes with other couples dances, including hambo, swing, tango, and polka. Beginner lesson from 2:45 to 3:30 pm. No partner required. Glen Echo Spanish Ballroom, 7300 MacArthur Blvd, 20812. \$10. Info: **301-634-2222** or **waltz-timedances.org**.

#### March

- 5 Gigmeisters with Alexander Mitchell (fiddle), Paul Oorts (button accordion, mandolin, banjo, guitar), David Wiesler (piano), and Ralph Gordon (bass)
- 19 Contratopia with Patrice Pakiz, Erik Sessions, Theodore Hodapp, John Goodin, and Pat O'Loughlin

# WALTZ PRACTICUM • GLEN ECHO PARK, MD (SPANISH BALLROOM) SUNDAY, MARCH 19 • 2-4 PM

One Sunday each month in the backroom or the ballroom. Stay tuned for the schedule of future waltz practices. Since this is all for practice, no level is required. The DJ'd music, picked from folk, pop, tango, waltz, and classical traditions, will get increasingly complex toward the end of the dance. A good way to perfect your waltz craft. 7300 MacArthur Blvd, 20812. S8. Info: waltzpracticum@gmail.com.

# Classes/Workshops

#### GWCC SET & CEILI DANCE CLASS • SILVER SPRING, MD THURSDAYS, THROUGH MAY 18 • 7-8 PM, BASICS 8-9:30 PM, ADVANCED

The Greater Washington Ceili Club (GWCC) holds weekly adult set & ceili dance classes in a friendly, relaxed environment. No experience or partner needed. Wear comfortable clothes and leather or smooth-soled shoes. In addition to weekly instruction, there is a monthly mini-ceili with live music, open to all (small donation requested for musicians). Argyle Park Activities Bldg, 1030 Forest Glen Rd, 20901. \$40/season, register and pay at class; first class free. Info: 301-649-6410, info@gwcc-online.org, or gwcc-online.org.

#### SCANDINAVIAN DANCE CLASSES • BETHESDA, MD Tuesdays • 7:30-9:30 pm

Beginning and advanced dancers welcome. Learn hambo, schottis, polskas, springars, and other Swedish and Norwegian couple-turning dances, including requests. Wear smooth-soled shoes (leather soles are best) for turning, not running

shoes. \$5. First time free. Info: Lynn Walker at 301-834-4020, lisa@HamboDC.org, or Hambodc.org.

#### IRISH SOCIAL DANCE CLASS • FAIRFAX CITY, VA Tuesdays, March 7, 14, 21, and 28

We have classes every Tuesday night until June. Irish Social Dancing consists of four couples (a "set") dancing to predetermined patterns. Each dance, e.g., the North Kerry Set, has its own set of patterns. The dances are taught and called by **Hugh Conway**, using music recorded in Ireland. Some of the dances can be very aerobic and a good source of exercise. We use a room at the center with a dance floor. Sponsored by the City of Fairfax Department of Parks and Recreation. Green Acre Community Center, 4401 Sideburn Rd, 22030. \$35 for a session of five classes, or \$8 for a walk-in. Info: **Hugh Conway**, **703-273-6869**, **ceiliset@yahoo.com**, or **ceilidance.com**.

#### CLASSES 7 WORKSHOPS continued

#### THIRD ANNUAL DANCE MUSICIANS WORKSHOP SPONSORED BY THE FRIDAY NIGHT DANCERS TUESDAYS, • 7-9 PM

Tune styles and repertoire; playing by ear; medleys and arranging; choosing tunes for dancing. Open to both new and returning musicians. All instruments welcome (there will be a piano). North Bethesda (2 blocks north of the Beltway at Old Georgetown Rd). \$40 for 4 weeks. Info/registration: Leslie Barr, lbarr604@gmail.com.

#### DEDE WYLAND'S ONLINE VIDEO SCHOOL OF VOICE

Singer, guitarist, performer, and voice instructor offers an online "work at your own pace" series to reach your vocal potential through skill and expression to create your own voice. She teaches you how to free up your voice from limiting tensions, experience enhanced resonant tone quality, and increase your range step by step. Info/Introduction video: www.dedewyland.com/#lessons.

# Jams/Open Mics/Audience Participation

Sundays

#### Acoustic Jam • Annapolis, MD Sundays • 9:30-11:45 am

Note earlier start time and new location: Back room at 49 West Coffeehouse, 49 West St, 21401, Info: ken.i.mayer@gmail.com.

#### Bluegrass Jam • Brunswick, MD 2nd and 5th Sundays, 3-5 pm

Beginners welcome. Beans in the Belfry, 120 W Potomac St, 21716. Info: 301-834-7178.

#### BLUEGRASS JAM • HERNDON, VA 1st and 3rd Sundays, 1–4 pm

Frying Pan Park, 2709 W Ox Rd, 20171. Held outdoors in summer months, in the Country Store in winter months. Info/directions: **703-437-9101**.

#### CABOMA JAM • ARLINGTON, VA 2ND AND 4TH SUNDAYS • 2-6 PM

Capital Area Bluegrass & Old-Time Music Association holds jams at Lyon Park Community Center, 414 N. Fillmore St (at Pershing Dr), 22201. Slow Jam, 2–3 pm; Regular Jam continues until 6 pm. Info: **Don, 703-522-1696** or **caboma.org**.

### CLASSIC COUNTRY & GOSPEL JAM • SILVER SPRING, MD 2ND SUNDAYS • 2-5 PM

The Sunday jam welcomes a wide range of musical abilities and acoustic instruments, as well as voice. Playlist, directions, info: **Dorie Hightower**, **301-706-7633**, **SundayJam.org**.

# DC Bluegrass Union • Dupont Circle Jam Washington, DC

#### 1st Sundays • 11 am to 2 pm

The Mansion, 2020 O St NW, 20036 (Dupont Circle Metro). Info: **Mike Marceau**, **mikemarceau@juno.com**.

#### KIDS' OPEN MIC 3rd Sundays • 1:30-2:30 PM

New Deal Café, 113 Center Way, Roosevelt Center, 20770. Info: 301-474-5642, newdealcafe.com/events/calendar.php.

#### OLD-TIME JAM • RICHMOND, VA SUNDAYS 2-5 PM

Bluegrass/Old-Time stringed instruments only. Cary Street Café, 2631 West Cary St, 23220. Info/directions: **804-353-7445**.

#### OLD-TIME OPEN JAM • BRUNSWICK, MD 1st and 3rd Sundays • 3-5 pm

Open to all with a fiddle, banjo, mandolin, or guitar that wish to join an open group for merry music-making. Beans in the Belfry, 120 W Potomac St, 21716. Info: **301-834-7178**.

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

Singing followed by a potluck supper. Location is a small schoolhouse behind the Community Building, 17801 Meetinghouse Rd, 20860 (about 10 miles west of Laurel). Info: Dave Greene, 301-570-3283 or dgreene@all-systems.

#### Scottish Jam • Alexandria, VA 4th Sundays • 2-5 pm

John Strongbow's Tavern, 710 King St, 22314. Info: **Peter@boghadubh@gmail.com** or **dcscottishsession.blogspot.com**.

#### VIENNA/OAKTON SHAPE NOTE SINGING • OAKTON, VA 3rd Sundays • 5-7:30 pm

Books: The Shenandoah Harmony and Sacred Harp (1991 Denison edition). Bring a snack to share. Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Fairfax (Classroom 1), 2709 Hunter Mill Rd, 22124. Info: John, 540-955-2660 or jdelre@visuallink.com or dcshapenote.squarespace.com.

#### Ukulele Jam • Riverdale, MD 1st Sundays • 2-4 pm

Playing music from many different genres; it's just plain fun! Archie Edwards Blues Heritage Foundation, 4701 Queensbury Rd, 20737. Free (donations accepted/encouraged). Info: **UkeJamatArchieEdwards@gmail.com**.

#### Mondays

#### Balkan Singing • Takoma Park, MD Mondays • 8 pm

Informal singing group, **Sedenka**, meets to sing Balkan village songs. Interested novices welcome. Info: **Katya**, **301-270-4175** or **Katya@partan.com**.

#### DC Bluegrass Union Jam • Takoma Park, MD 1st and 3rd Mondays • 7-10 pm

Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 350, 6420 Orchard Ave, 20912 (corner of Orchard and 4th, just a few blocks from the intersection of New Hampshire and Eastern). Info: VFW Post 350, 301-270-8008 or Barb Diederich at Barb@BarbDiederich.com.

#### SEA CHANTEY OPEN PUB SING • WHEATON, MD 1st Mondays, 8-10 pm

The Ship's Company chanteymen host open mic chantey sings. No cover or minimum; Arrive early for a table. Participation encouraged but not mandatory. Requests honored if possible. Mostly a cappella but instruments welcome. Limerick Pub, 11301 Elkin St, 20902. Info: Myron Peterson, ructic@yahoo.com or ShipsCompany.org.

# Touched by a Song Gospel Jam • Herndon, VA 3rd Mondays, 7:30-9 pm

Acoustic circle jam. Share favorite gospel, hymns, or praise songs or just play along. Open to all ages and skill levels. Floris United Methodist Church, 13600 Frying Pan Rd, 20171. Info: debbie@touchedbysongs.com or dcbu.org.

#### Tuesdays

# OLD-TIME JAM • BALTIMORE, MD ALTERNATE TUESDAYS, MARCH 14 & 28 • 7:30-10:30 PM

**Ken** and **Brad Kolodner** lead the Baltimore Old-Time Jam at Liam Flynn's Ale House, 22 W North Ave, 21201. Info: **KenandBrad.com** or **Baltimore Bluegrass Jam Facebook page**.

# CAPITAL ACCORD CHORUS • SILVER SPRING, MD Tuesdays • 7:30-10 pm

As the March winds blow, if you hear, "follow your dreams and sing!" the Capital Accord Chorus—an all-women's a cappella group singing in the barbershop style—may be your answer. Join us for free and open rehearsals. Sligo Middle School's Chorus Room, 1401 Dennis Ave, 20902 (location change for March). Contact us today! 1-301-392-SONG (7664), admin@capitalaccord.org, or capitalaccord.org.

# DC SHAPE NOTE SINGING • WASHINGTON, DC 3RD TUESDAYS • 7–9:30 PM

We sing from both *The Sacred Harp* and *Shenandoah Harmony*. Loaner books available and books for sale. Everyone welcome to bring snacks and friends. Capitol Hill Presbyterian Church, 201 4th St SE, 20003 (Enter side door, left of the main steps. Street parking possible; 10 minutes from Capitol South and Eastern Market Metros; 20 minutes from Union Station).

Info: Brenda Dunlap, 202-425-5264 or dcshapenote. squarespace.com.

#### OPEN MIC • FALLS CHURCH, VA 1st Tuesdays • 8 pm

Hosted by Crazy After Midnight. JV's Restaurant, 6666 Arlington Blvd, 22042. Info: **703-241-9504**, **jvsrest@aol.com**, **703-216-0560**, or **avnocero@gmail.com**.

#### RESTON-HERNDON FOLK CLUB • HERNDON, VA TUESDAYS • 7:15 PM

Open mic format. Doors open at 6 pm. Second Tuesday includes 25-minute member showcase. Third Tuesday often features monthly concerts, price varies. Amphora Diner Deluxe, 1151 Elden St, 20170. Info: **703-435-2402** or **RestonHerndonFolkClub.com**.

#### COMMUNITY SING AT REVELS • SILVER SPRING, MD TUESDAY, MARCH 21 • 6:30–8:30 PM

Revels and Carpe Diem Arts sponsor a monthly community sing on the 21st of every month. All ages welcome. No experience necessary. Bring refreshments and songs to share if you wish. Join us in celebrating different cultures through song every month. Celebration of March birthdays with cake and candles. Free-will donations. Washington Revels Studio Space, 531 Dale Dr, 20910. Info: Busy Graham, BusyGraham@CarpeDiemArts.org, 301-466-0183, or carpediemarts.org/sing-with-us; or Jo Rasi, jrasi@revelsdc.org, 301-587-3835, or revelsdc.org/2017/mar21-community-sing/.

#### Wednesdays

#### Bluegrass Music Alliance Jam • Martinsburg, WV Wednesdays • 6-9 pm

Musicians of all levels encouraged to come; bluegrass music fans are welcome to listen. Martinsburg Moose Lodge, 201 Woodbury Ave, 25404, **bluegrassmusicalliance.org/local-area-jams/**.

#### SEA CHANTEY OPEN PUB SING 2ND (BALTIMORE), 3RD (ANNAPOLIS), AND 4TH (DC) WEDNESDAYS • 8-10 PM

**The Ship's Company** chanteymen host open mic chantey sings. Participation encouraged but not mandatory. Requests honored if possible. Info: Myron Peterson, ructic@yahoo.com or ShipsCompay.org.

#### March

- **8 Wharf Rat,** 801 S Anne St (Fell's Pt), Baltimore, MD 21231
- 15 Galway Bay, 63 Maryland Ave, Annapolis, MD 21401
- 22 Laughing Man Tavern, 1306 G St NW, Washington, DC 20005



#### Thursdays

#### OPEN BLUEGRASS JAM • BRUNSWICK, MD 1st Thursdays • 6:30-9 PM

Hosted by **Bobby Bales** and **Claude Jones**. Bobby is a legendary lead guitarist in the *Grassy Ridge Band*. All are welcome to join in. Beans in the Belfry, 120 W Potomac St, 21716. Info: **301-834-7178**.

#### Acoustic Open Mic • Riverdale, MD 1st Thursdays • 7:30-10 pm

If you have a song or three to share with others, original or otherwise, stop in and show your stuff. Archie Edwards Blues Heritage Foundation, 4701 Queensbury Rd, 20737, acousticblues.com/events/events.html.

#### FOLKSONG SING-IN • WHEATON, MD THURSDAY, MARCH 9 • 8-10 PM

Join local musician **John Durant, Jr.**, every month for this musical gathering. This month on the 2nd Thursday; returns to 3rd Thursday in April. Everyone gets a change to lead the room in song. Bring your favorite folk tunes, your voice, and even your instruments for a great evening of song and pub-style fellowship. The Limerick Pub, 11301 Elkin St, 20902 (corner of Elkin & Price). Venue info: **thelimerickpub.net**.

#### SEA CHANTEY OPEN PUB SING • TYSONS CORNER, VA 2ND THURSDAYS • 8-10 PM

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pation encouraged but not mandatory. Requests honored if possible. Mostly a cappella but instruments welcome. Paddy Barry's Irish Pub and Restaurant, 8150 Leesburg Pike, 22182 (Rte 7 near 123; half-mile walk from Tysons Corner or Greensboro Metros). Info: Myron Peterson, ructic@yahoo.com or ShipsCompany.org.

#### Fridays

#### 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 welcome. Find recordings, tune book names, and page numbers of tunes played at **OpenBandOnline. com** (site works best using iTunes on a PC or Mac). Info: **FridayNightDance.org**.

Saturdays

# ARCHIE EDWARDS BLUES HERITAGE FOUNDATION RIVERDALE, MD ACOUSTIC BLUES JAM SATURDAYS • 1-5 PM

Acoustic instruments, all levels; listeners also welcome. 4701 Queensbury Rd, 20737 (across from Riverdale MARC train station; ample parking). Free, but donations welcome. Info: **301-396-3054** or **acousticblues.com**.

# SHAPE NOTE SINGING • BERRYVILLE, VA 1st Saturdays • 4-8 pm

Shape note singers will gather at Josephine School Museum, 303 Josephine St, 22611. Potluck supper (picnic-style; no kitchen facilities). Info: **shenandoahharmony.com**, **dcshapenote.squarespace.com**, or call **John** or **Kelly** at **540-955-2660**.

# WASHINGTON'S SPELMANSLAG • KENSINGTON, MD 2ND AND 4TH SATURDAYS • 2:30-4:30 PM

Open rehearsals for a small orchestra playing traditional Swedish music. Info: **JuliaBorland3250@gmail.com**.



# Weekends & Special Events

# REVELS WORLD STORY TIME TUESDAYS, MARCH 7 AND 21 • 10:30-11:30 AM

Bring your little ones to listen to multicultural children's stories. Washington Revels Studio Space, 531 Dale Drive, 20910. Free (donations accepted).

Info: revelsdc.org/2017/mar7-world-story-time/.

#### UPPER POTOMAC SPRING MUSIC WEEKEND SHEPHERDSTOWN, WV FRIDAY, MARCH 24 AND SATURDAY, MARCH 25

Workshops, classes, concerts, and jam sessions for hammered dulcimer, fiddle, and mixed instruments with special guest instructors, including hammered dulcimer players **Ann Lough**, **Steve Schneider**, **Randy Marchany**, and **Jody Marshall**; multi-instrumentalist **Paul Oorts**; plus Scandinavian fiddlers **lydia ievins** and **Andrea Larson** on fiddle and nykelharpa, teaching a Scandinavian music class for all instruments. Workshops take place in the relaxed retreat setting of Shepherd University and the surrounding historic buildings. Info: **upperpotomacmusic.info**, **304-263-2531**, or **upperpotomac@gmail.com**.

#### American Banjo Fraternity • Newark, NY Thursday, May 18 to Saturday, May 20

Banjo players and listeners are invited to the next meeting of the American Banjo Fraternity. Please check **banjofraternity. org** for updates. Free concert at 7:30 pm on May 20. Music professionals, amateur musicians, or those interested in banjo and music history will find worthwhile music that will challenge your skills and expand your repertoire. Not bluegrass or clawhammer, most of the music dates from 1880–1920 and is played on nylon strings with bare fingers and no picks. Players use 5-string banjos of different sizes. Newark Garden Hotel, 125 N. Main St, 14513 (**315-331-9500**). We welcome guests without charge except for food and lodging. If you wish to attend, please let us know. If you wish to join the ABF, please contact the secretary for an application and dues payment. The club's secretary is **Joel Hooks**, **joelhooks@me.com**.

#### Almost Heaven Dance Weekend • Darlington, MD Thursday, May 18 to Sunday, May 21

We are delighted to present our 30th and Final Extravaganza; three full days and nights of Contra, Swing, and Blues dance featuring *Swallowtail* with *George Marshall* and *Tim Van Egmond* calling; *Barefoot* with *Emily Rush* calling; and *Ann Percival's* big bluesy Swing band, *The O-Tones*. All-inclusive program includes dance instruction, "Play with Swallowtail" workshop, harmony singing, drumming, and more, with nine delicious meals and comfortable tempurpedic beds in a serene natural setting. Priced like a two-day camp, all ages are welcome. Registration is open! Info: sites.google.com/site/ahsince1988/home or call Cindy at 240-304-9368.

# 32ND ANNUAL BFMS SPRING CATOCTIN MOUNTAIN MUSIC AND DANCE WEEKEND • THURMONT, MD FRIDAY, JUNE 16 TO SUNDAY, JUNE 18

Join dancers and musicians of all ages for a participatory intergenerational weekend of dancing, singing, workshops, jamming, crafts, hiking, and more in a beautiful mountain setting from \$89 per person. Info: Elisabeth Epstein, 703-272-8197 or email catoctin@bfms.org. Online registration and more at bfms.org/catoctin.php.

28th Potomac River Shape Note Singing Convention • Great Falls, VA Saturday, April 1 and Sunday, April 2 • 10 am to 3:30 pm

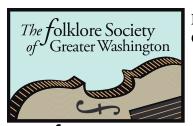
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#### TRADMAD 2017 • PLYMOUTH, MA SATURDAY, AUGUST 26 TO FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

Registration is now open for TradMad! At Pinewoods Camp. Workshops, dances, concerts, one-shots, camper concerts, parties, jamming, singing, swimming in two lovely ponds, relaxing, learning, and generally having fun. Staff includes Tina Chancey, Jeff Davis, Brian Peters, Larry Hanks, Bruce Hutton, Rev. Robert B. Jones, Bennett Konesni, Saro Lynch-Thomason, Becky Tracy, Wild Asparagus, and more! FSGW members (and members of other associated organizations) get a discount! \$770; non-members, \$820. The fee covers all events, lodging, and meals from dinner on Saturday through breakfast on Friday. Some scholarships and work scholarships are available. Info, including registration and scholarships: minstrelrecords.com/tradmad/.





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