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■ FSGW CONCERTS ■

~ **Flynn Cohen**
with **Natalie Padilla** ~

TAKOMA, DC • JANUARY 8, 2023 • 7:30 PM

Acoustic guitar, mandolin player, and singer **Flynn Cohen** tours with his award-winning folk band **Low Lily** and is a long-time sideman to Irish button accordion legend John Whelan.

His 2023 U.S. tour features duo performances of original and traditional instrumentals from multiple fiddle music traditions as well as original, traditional, and contemporary folk songs. His guitar playing is influenced by a wide range of flatpicking, strumming, and fingerpicking styles, and his mandolin work is inspired by bluegrass, old time, Irish, and classical playing.

Flynn is a former guitar student of John Renbourn, Davey Graham, and Scott Nygaard, and also studied composition with Pauline Oliveros. His original music is simultaneously both experimental and traditional, staying within the bounds of his many stylistic influences but always pushing subtly against the conventions. He will be joined for the first leg of this tour by **Low Lily** bandmate **Natalie Padilla** (fiddle, mandolin, vocals).

"A versatile string virtuoso" –*Dirty Linen* magazine



FLYNN COHEN



NATALIE PADILLA

Born into a family of acclaimed roots musicians, **Natalie Padilla** was immersed in fiddle and violin music at a very young age, and initially studied Texas-style fiddle under the tutelage of her mother, award-winning fiddler Nancy Padilla. She then steeped herself in the traditions of old-time and bluegrass, and developed deep roots in classical violin. She has performed in every setting from intimate house

concerts to Red Rocks Amphitheater, touching on nearly every form of fiddle music imaginable. She has shared the stage with such revered talents as Peter Rowan, Frank Solivan, and Pete Wernick; has been a member of Masontown and the Bozeman Symphony; and currently performs with Flynn Cohen and Liz Simmons in **Low Lily**.

Tickets \$25 (\$20 for FSGW members)

Seekers Church, 276 Carroll St NW, Washington, DC
(Just steps from Takoma Metro!)

Proof of vaccination and masks will be required for this concert.

Info: Steve Winick, concerts@fsgw.org

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

Check Us Out!

GRAPEVINE ONLINE STORYTELLING!

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 11

7:30 PM • ONLINE

THE
GRAPEVINE

Join us for featured storytellers:

Janice Curtis Greene and **Tim Ereneta**!

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

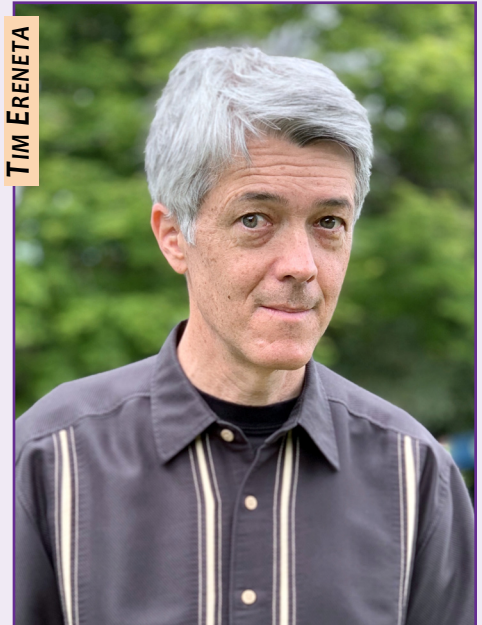
Please register at fsgw.org/grapevine to get the necessary Zoom information.

Janice Curtis Greene has been telling African, African American, and multicultural stories for over 20 years, delighting audiences at throughout the U.S. and as far away as Zambia, South Africa, and Egypt. She mesmerizes audiences with folktales, original stories, and Bible Stories set to syncopated rap rhythms. Janice is the resident Griot for the National Association of Black Media Workers in Baltimore. Find out more at janicethegriot.com

JANICE CURTIS GREENE



TIM ERENETA



FSGW & VITG (VOICES IN THE GLEN)

MONTHLY STORY SWAP • ONLINE

SATURDAY, JANUARY 14 • 7:30 PM

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

Info: Jane Dorfman, 301-654-5818,
dorfmanjo@gmail.com;
[voicesintheglen.org/event/
vitg-monthly-story-swap-online-27](https://voicesintheglen.org/event/vitg-monthly-story-swap-online-27)

Tim Ereneta

thinks traditional folk and fairy tales are far too interesting to be reserved for children. He shares rarely heard tales from world cultures and modern twists on familiar fairy tales to audiences of all ages in theatres, nightclubs, museums, and Zoom rooms around the world. You can get a preview of Tim's telling here: nsnweb01.mymcpl.net/nsnaudio/TimEreneta.mp3 and nsnweb01.mymcpl.net/nsnaudio/TimEreneta2.mp3

Please register at <https://fsgw.org/grapevine> to get the necessary Zoom information.

FSGW ENGLISH COUNTRY DANCE

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

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

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

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

Interested in the Zoom dance?

See the schedule at:

fsgw.org/english-country-dance-online

Stay tuned for up-to-date information about each week's dance, including information about the Zoom dance and any changes resulting from a return to in-person dances if conditions improve.

Info: fsgw.org/ecd

January Lineup:

- 4 **April Blum** calls to the playing of **Emily Aubrey** (fiddle), **Susan Brandt** (flute), and **Melissa Running** (piano)
- 11 **Anna Rain** leads the dancing while **Becky Ross** (fiddle), **Catherine Chapman** (fiddle), and **Liz Donaldson** (piano)
- 18 **Melissa Running** calls while **Tina Chancey** (fiddle), **Paul Oorts** (mandolin and accordion), and **Janina O'Brien** (piano) make the music
- 25 **Dan Gillespie** calls to the music of **Jeff Steinberg** (fiddle), **Carrie Rose** (flute), and **Francine Krasowska**, (piano)
- 26 Virtual Dance - with **Andrea Nettleton**



Jan. 4 - April Blum



Jan.11 - Kappy Laning



Jan. 18 - Melissa Running



Jan. 18 - Dan Gillespie



Jan. 26 - Andrea Nettleton

Fourth Thursday Virtual Dance

■ FSGW DANCES ■

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IMPORTANT NOTE

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

Non-gendered terms will now be used, and the specific terms for each dance will be publicized in the calendar, on the website, the e-blast, the newsletter, and social media when available.

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

FSGW and FND have joined to present four dances in November. There is a limit of 175 dancers for each dance. We will require everyone to be fully vaccinated and a booster if eligible, and masks will be worn by all. Vaccination cards will be checked at the door. Full information will be on the FSGW calendar and FND Facebook page.

Info: <https://fsgw.org/Friday-contrasquare-dance>

Please pre-register so we can manage participation.

January . . .

- 6 **David Giusti** with **Contra Rebels:** **Todd Clewell** (fiddle), **Barb Schmid** (fiddle), and **Henry Koretzky** (guitar).
<https://www.fsgw.org/event-5070036/Registration> Calling terms will be Larks and Robins

- 13 **Perry Shafran** with **Glen Echo Open Band**
<https://fsgw.org/event-5070087/Registration>

→ **Calling all Musicians!**

If you are interested in helping to provide exciting, high-energy live music for contra dancers, please join the Glen Echo Open Band on Friday, January 13th! Musicians of all ages and skill levels are welcome to participate. Please note that all are strongly encouraged to preregister and must abide by the following COVID policies during the dance:

Masks (N95 / KN94 or equivalent) are required at all times (except for wind instrument players while they are playing).

All participants must be vaccinated with at least one booster.

If you have not checked in at a previous FND/FSGW dance, your vaccination status will be checked at the door. Please bring your card or a digital photo of your card and a government issued photo ID.

- 20 **Greg Frock** with **Sugar Beat:** **Elke Baker** (fiddle), **Susan Brandt** (flute), and **Marc Glickman** (piano)
<https://fsgw.org/event-5070092/Registration>

- 27 **Sargon de Jesus** with **TBA**
<https://fsgw.org/event-5070094/Registration>

FSGW CO-SPONSORED SILVER SPRING CONTRA DANCE SILVER SPRING, MD JANUARY 12 • 7:30 PM

Join Carpe Diem Arts and FSGW on Thursday, January 12th at the Silver

Spring Civic Building Great Hall (1 Veterans Place, Silver Spring, MD 20910) for the next Silver Spring contra dance!

Gabe Popkin calls to music by the **Fog Cutters (Jonathan Een Newton, Marty Frye, Don Fahey, Greg Mulley)**. Role terms will be larks and robins. Lesson is at 7 pm. Dance is from 7:30 to 9:30 pm.

Register at: <https://fsgw.org/event-5051462/Registration>

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

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

Until further notice, the in-person dances are limited to those who have been fully vaccinated. Everyone will need to show proof of vaccination and provide their name, email address, and phone number for contact tracing. No exceptions. Masking is required at all times. These dances are instruction-oriented from 8 to 9 pm with open request dancing after 9 pm. If you wish to attend, please contact Jamie at dancingplanet@erols.com to RSVP before attending.

For out-of-towners, we will try to show the class via Zoom. You can enter by clicking onto the following

link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87152651884?pwd=QWVYVEc1cm9uWTNqTkwrYTdPWlRrdz09> Meeting ID: 871 5265 1884 Password: 145
If you click on the link, you may not need to enter a password.

Info: dancingplanet@erols.com

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

More Info:

visit larryweiner.com/FridayDance.htm or
[facebook.com/GreenbeltInternationalFolkDancing/](https://facebook.com/GreenbeltInternationalFolkDancing/?ref=page_internal)
[?ref=page_internal](https://facebook.com/GreenbeltInternationalFolkDancing/?ref=page_internal)

FSGW SINGS

FSGW OPEN SING • ONLINE FRIDAY, JANUARY 6 • 7:30 PM

The January Open Sing host will be **Mark Laster**.

Topic: Cold and/or New

Only those wishing to sing need to register.

Reminder: Registration will be open till Noon on 1/6/23.

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

Registration page: <https://forms.gle/u2u9Hy4csEo1dJvn8>

Singers list:

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1cqFcB4QwYz5r6ft4Y3xqREcMUooJRSMKQnbJPMmxwqg/edit?usp=sharing>

Info: Vince@VinceWilding.com

SCHWEINHAUT SONG CIRCLE SILVER SPRING, MD & ONLINE SECOND FRIDAY, JANUARY 13 1:30 – 3:30 PM

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

January 15 will be the 94th birthday of Martin Luther King, Jr. (although the MLK Day holiday is January 16, 2023). In his honor bring or request civil rights songs—or any other songs! To keep the singing going, it's helpful if you send your requests in advance using the form in the registration link below.



Susan McNelis will lead songs with guitar accompaniment, and any participant may lead any song a cappella or self-accompanied.

The Song Circle will be held in person at the Margaret Schweinhaut Senior Center, 1000 Forest Glen Road, Silver Spring, MD 20901. Participants are encouraged, but not required, to pre-register (see below), to show

proof of having completed a full course of a COVID-19 vaccine (including boosters if eligible) before December 30, and to wear a mask except while leading a song.

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

For the latest updates about the Song Circle, see: fsgw.org/event-5070684

FSGW GOSPEL SING TAKOMA PARK, MD SUNDAY, JANUARY 8 • 2 – 4 PM

Gospel Sings are held outdoors the second Sunday of every month. Group singing will take place for two hours, from 2 - 4 pm. Please dress for cold weather (and warm hearts). Hymnals provided.

Everyone is welcome, but be sure you are vaccinated and symptom-free, and please bring your mask with you.

The Sing will take place in the back garden of Arthur & Barbara Karpas in Takoma Park MD, only two blocks from the Takoma Metro Station on the Red Line.

RSVP/directions:

email bakbeat@verizon.net or kpmack2@gmail.com, or call 301-270-4239.

Register at:

<https://fsgw.org/calendar>

OPEN DANCES

BFMS CONTRA (BALTIMORE FOLK MUSIC SOCIETY) BALTIMORE, MD 1ST & 3RD WEDNESDAYS 8 – 10:30 PM

Wednesday Night Contra Dance Series!

Lovely Lane Church
2200 St. Paul St., 21218

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

Pre-registration info: bfms.org

January . . .

- 4 **Rowyn Peel** calls to the music of the **Gravy Soppers - Rebecca Adams** (banjo, vocals, and dance board), **Jeffrey Adams** (guitar), **Jason Miller** (fiddle, vocals, and banjo), and **Gary Baker** (bass)
- 18 **Unbowed - Henry Koretzsky** (mandolin, guitar) and **Jill Smith** (piano) play to the calling of a TBD caller. Check the website for updates!

ENGLISH COUNTRY DANCE SILVER SPRING, MD SATURDAY, JANUARY 14 7:30 – 9:30 PM

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

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

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

BFMS (BALTIMORE FOLK MUSIC SOCIETY) • BALTIMORE, MD SATURDAY, JANUARY 14 7 – 9:30 PM —One hour earlier than regular schedule

2nd Saturday Dance

Penelope Weinberger calls to **Claire Noonan** (button accordion), **Keira Noonan** (fiddle), and **Riley Fitzpatrick** (Piano)
New dancer lesson: 6:30 pm

Online payment only, via BFMS Website,
<http://bfms.org/secondsatpay.php>

Pre-payment preferred. Payment can be made onsite. BFMS and FSGW members \$10, non-members \$15. Under 21 and full-time students with ID: \$7 members, \$10 non-members

Proof of vaccination and, if eligible, booster, shown at the gate. Masks (N95, KN95 or KF94), or double masked, with at least one surgical mask.

BFMS ENGLISH COUNTRY DANCE BALTIMORE, MD ALTERNATE MONDAY 8 – 10:30 PM; NEW DANCERS' WORKSHOP 7:45 PM

New Dancers' workshop 7:45 pm.

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

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

Church of the Nativity and Holy Comforter: 6112 York Rd, 21212.
<http://www.bfms.org/directionsToChurchoftheNativity.php>.

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

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

January . . .

- 9 **Sharon McKinley** calls with **Emily Aubrey** (violin), **Francine Krasowska** (piano), and **Robin Wilson** (flute, concertina).
- 23 **Kappy Laning** calls with **Elke Baker** (violin), **Janina O'Brien** (piano), **Mark Vidor** (accordion)

SWING DANCE • GLEN ECHO, MD JANUARY 14 & 28 • 8 PM

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

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

THE NOT-SO-FINE PRINT:

- All attendees must be fully-vaccinated (no exceptions).
- Please show your proof of vaccination at the door.
- All advanced ticket sales are final; no refunds, no credits.
- Masks are optional. If you do wear one, masks must stay over your nose securely, N95 or KN95 recommended.
- We reserve the right to change policy.

Info: <https://gottaswing.com/calendar/>

January . . .

- 14 **The Daddies!** Renamed and Rescheduled from January 2022!
- 31 **Seth Kibel Quintet** featuring **Flo Anito**

AFTERNOON WALTZ GLEN ECHO, MD JANUARY 1, 15, & 29 • 2:45 PM

Join us for an afternoon of waltzing in the Spanish Ballroom! Take our beginner waltz lesson from 2:45 to 3:30 pm and enjoy dancing from 3:30 until 6 pm. No partner required.

Admission is \$15, \$5 for full-time students with ID.

Info: WaltzTimeDances.org or 301-634-2222

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

January . . .

- 1 **DANCE DU JOUR** with **Alexander Mitchell** (fiddle), **Liz Donaldson** (piano), **Ralph Gordon** (bass)
- 15 **DJANGOLAYA** with **Charlie Schueller** (accordion), **Andrew Deshler** (guitar), **Jeanine Greene** (vocals, violin)
- 29 **SUGAR BEAT** with **Elke Baker** (fiddle), **Susan Brandt** (flute), **Marc Glickman** (piano)

ENGLISH COUNTRY DANCE ANNAPOLIS, MD SATURDAY, JANUARY 21 7 – 9:30 PM (INTRO LESSON: 6:30 PM)

Jackie McCabe calls to the music of **Francine Krasowska** (piano), **Jeff Steinberg** (fiddle) and **Mark Vidor** (accordion).

Capped attendance, so pre-registration required via email to aefallon@verizon.net. Required of each attendee at door: ID, proof of vaccination (including booster), verbal assurance of being COVID symptom-free, medical grade face mask (e.g. N-95/KN-95/KN-94/surgical mask), contact information (for contact tracing if needed). Venue will have fans for ventilation.

No experience or partner required. No food/drinks provided; please bring own drinking water. \$10.

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

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

SCANDIA DC DANCE/MUSIC EVENT GREENBELT COMMUNITY CENTER GREENBELT, MD SATURDAY, JANUARY 21 3:15 – 5:45 PM

Scandia DC will be holding its monthly Third Saturday dance/music event January 21st IN PERSON. In future months it may also be available on Zoom but that is TBD.

The event will feature dance teaching at the beginning to recorded music followed by two live music sets and one recorded music set for dancing. The first music set will allow musicians to play along with the lead musician

after a practice session in a separate room during the dance teaching. Tunes in that set will be available on the website in advance of the evening.

Proof of up to date vaccinations plus high quality masks will be required. More details on COVID precautions will be in the announcement email.

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

MID-ATLANTIC NORWEGIAN DANCERS ONLINE, POSSIBLY IN-PERSON!

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 7 • 6:30 PM
POTLUCK, 7:30 PM MUSIC/DANCING**

Our Monthly Zoom potluck & music/dancing with MAND (Mid-Atlantic Norwegian Dancers). In lieu of our famous traditional cozy potluck socials, let's take potluck from our own fridges/pantries and chat while eating.

Then, at 7:30, listen/dance/watch to our featured Hardanger fiddler, **Loretta Kelley**, and possibly a featured guest.

Then some folks will stay for the afterparty, with more chat and BYO dessert/snacks (at home!), as others drift offline. Check our website to find out if we are gathering in-person this month.

Info: <http://MAND.fanitull.org>

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

The Nordic Dancers preserve the traditions of community dance groups in Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway, and Sweden. Music by **Paul Carlson**. Proof of vaccination and good-quality masks are required.

Highland View Elementary School
9010 Providence Ave.
Silver Spring, MD

No charge the first time;
\$4 per session thereafter.

Info: Chris Kalke, 301-864-1596,
ckalke@verizon.net
<https://sites.google.com/site/nordicdancersdc/>

CUBAN SALSA CLASS WASHINGTON, DC SATURDAYS • 1:15 – 3:45 PM

We dance at Chevy Chase Baptist Church, 5671 Western Ave NW, Washington, DC 20015. Proof of full vaccination, and booster if eligible, are required. Masks required.

Class starts at 1:30 pm. \$15/person.

Details & online registration:
<https://www.danceintime.com/classes>

Info: Barb@DanceInTime.com or
Barb: 301-773-2623

SMTMD CONTRA DANCE CHAPTICO, MD JANUARY 14 • 7 PM

The 2nd Saturday of the month September through June. The evening starts at 7 pm with a half hour beginner's dance workshop followed by live music and dance from 7:30 to 10 pm. We will have a caller and live acoustic string band music by the Southern Maryland Open Band. Check the website calendar for the lineup of dances! Weather related cancellations are posted on the website.

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

Info: <https://www.smtmd.org/#/dances/>



OPEN CONCERTS, SINGS, AND PERFORMING ARTS

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

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

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

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

Info: <https://www.carpediemarts.org/daily-antidote-of-song>

MARIE-LYNN HAMMOND WITH KIM MOBERG • ONLINE SATURDAY, JANUARY 14 • 7:30 PM

Returning to shows that might never happen in real life, **Marie-Lynn Hammond** (Canada) joins **Kim Moberg** (Massachusetts) for an evening of uplifting and occasionally wicked-funny folk.

Tickets are available at www.focusmusic.org and are \$25 in advance, or \$30 day-of

Info: Rob Hinkal
rob@focusmusic.org or
www.focusmusic.org

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

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

Info: www.Mandoleers.org/contact

BLUEGRASS AND OLD TIME JAM BALTIMORE, MD TUESDAYS • 7 PM

Howdy folks! The legendary Baltimore Old Time & Bluegrass jam is now at R. House! All are welcome to play along in the jam regardless of skill level or instrument. Even if you don't play, you can come to soak in the scene, listen to the music and grab a bite to eat from one of the ten food stalls or a drink from R. Bar. It's THE happening spot in town for food and community. We're thrilled to be partnering with R. House! Learn more about the venue: <https://r.housebaltimore.com/>

Every other Tuesday, Ken & Brad Kolodner will lead the Baltimore Old Time Jam from 7 to 10 pm. The first hour of the jam will be a “slow jam” so anyone can hop in and play along at a moderate tempo. From 8 to 10 pm, they'll kick up the tempo for the “fast jam.” Imagine a sea of fiddles, banjos, guitars and more all swelling together in a chorus of joyous tunes!

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

There is an abundance of free parking at R. House next to the space or catty-corner in the police department parking lot (available to R. House patrons).

Best of all, the jam is FREE!
R. House, 301 W. 29th Street

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

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

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

First Wednesday of every month,
7 to 9 pm.

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

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

White Flint Park, 11525 Rokeby Ave,
Kensington, MD 20895

Info:

rockcreekmorriswomen@gmail.com
and
rockcreekmorriswomen.weebly.com

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

Learn traditional English morris dances from the Cotswold villages of Bampton, Bledington, and more. New and experienced dancers are wanted to join our community that dances, socializes, and sings. It's as easy as step-hop, step-hop.

Welburn Square, 901 N. Taylor Street, Arlington, VA 22203

Info: Jud McIntire

squire@fbmm.org or
Nat Brown
foreman@fbmm.org

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

1st Thursdays at Hawk and Griffin is permanently canceled at this location (The SCC host is looking for new location in VA, TBD)

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

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

The 4th Sunday monthly (except December for the holidays), at NEW LOCATION (NW of Ellicott City MD)... Los Compadres Mexican Restaurant, 10805 Birmingham Way #24, Woodstock, MD.

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

Info: Brad Graham

blgraham_99@yahoo.com
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Orfeia's repertoire spans the rich and diverse musical heritage of the Balkans, including Bulgaria, Macedonia, Serbia, Russia, and Greece.

We usually rehearse in Bethesda but during the shutdown, we've been rehearsing on Zoom. (It works – it really does!) No familiarity with Eastern European music required.

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■ FESTIVALS ■

FSGW New Year's Eve Contra Dance Ball

WOMEN'S CLUB OF CHEVY CHASE, MD

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 31, 8 PM – SUNDAY, JANUARY 1, 12:15 AM

Come dance in the new year!

Caller **Louise Siddons**, traveling to us all the way from England,
with music by **OMG 2.0:**

Alexander Mitchell, Paul Oorts, and Ralph Gordon

Register at: <https://www.fsgw.org/event-5004624>

Learn more at: <https://www.fsgw.org/nye-contradance-ball>

New Year's Eve English Gala Dance

BALTIMORE, MD • DECEMBER 31 • 8:30 PM – 12:30 AM

April Blum and **Ann Fallon** call to the music of ***Elegant Echoes:***
Becky Ross (violin), **Colleen Reed** (flute), and **Liz Donaldson** (piano)

Location: The Church of the Nativity and Holy Comforter
6112 York Rd, Baltimore, MD 21212
<http://www.bfms.org/directionsToChurchoftheNativity.php>

Admission: \$30 for BFMS and Affiliates members. \$35 for non-members. \$20 for students. N-95/KN-95/KF-94 masks and proof of vaccination and boosters are required. Attendance is limited. On-line payments only. Visit <http://www.bfms.org> and click on the Events page, [Gala New Year's Eve English Country Dance Details...](#)

Info: Ann Fallon, 410-507-0934, engdance@bfms.org, aefallon@verizon.net



Baltimore Crankie Festival, JANUARY 6 – 8, 2023

Livestream tickets may be available for January 7, 8 pm: creativealliance.org

■ FESTIVALS ■

Upper Potomac Music Weekends, SHARPSBURG, MD

PIPERS WEEKEND: JANUARY 6 – 8, 2023; FIDDLE RETREAT: JANUARY 20 – 22, 2023

Pipers Weekend - January 6 – 8, 2023

Weekend retreat featuring classes, concerts, sessions and private tutorials for a variety of bellows-blown bagpipes, flute, fiddle, and mixed instruments. Staff include: **Jerry O'Sullivan** (uilleann pipes), **Dick Hensold** (Northumbrian smallpipes), **Rosalind Buda**, and **Iain MacHarg** on Scottish smallpipes and borderpipes, and special guests TBA. Classes for a range of levels of ability.

Fiddle Retreat - January 20 – 22, 2023

Workshops, Concert, Jam Sessions and a Contra Dance for fiddlers and those who play with them. A variety of styles are presented by some of the region's finest fiddle teachers, with an emphasis on dance fiddle styles including Cape Breton, Scottish, Irish, Appalachian, and Quebecois. 2023 teachers are **Sean Heely** (Cape Breton, Scottish), **Brian Conway** (Irish), **Audrey Knuth** (Contra, English), **Rachel Eddy** (Old Time), and special guests TBA.

Fill out the form online (UpperPotomacMusic.info), and wait for a confirmation before paying.

Info: upperpotomac@gmail.com. You can also call the office at (304) 263-2531.

St. Croix Dance Weeks, ST. CROIX, U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS

ECD: JANUARY 31 – FEBRUARY 7, 2023; CONTRA: FEBRUARY 8 – 15, 2023

St. Croix—English Country Dance Week January 31 – February 7, 2023

Alchemy with
Karen Axelrod, Rachel Bell
and **Eric Martin**

with callers
Joanna Reiner-Wilkinson and **Kalia Kliban**

[English Country Dance Week Details](#)

Sign up now at: tropicaldancevacation.com

St. Croix—Contra Dance Week February 8 – 15, 2023

Wild Asparagus with **Ann Percival, David Cantieni, Becky Tracy, Keith Murphy, Mark Murphy** and **George Marshall**

with callers
Lisa Greenleaf and **George Marshall**

[Contra Dance Week Details](#)

Sign up now at: tropicaldancevacation.com

■ FESTIVALS ■

Ski-Dance Weekend

FEBRUARY 17 – 20, 2023

Cross-country ski or snowshoe in the Laurel Highlands of Pennsylvania during the day and contra dance at night! Do you have two left feet? Bring both of them because **Janine Smith** will have you moving to the music of **Dave Wiesler** and **Mat Clark**. Not sure how to cross-country ski? No worries, free ski instruction is provided! Lots of fun, and prices range from \$95 to \$325 depending on your accommodations.

For more information go to <https://www.skidance.org> or call Bob Mathis at 240-858-9341 or email talibob@starpower.net or Jody Blatt at jodyblatt@hotmail.com. This event is co-sponsored by the Sierra Club Potomac Region Outings (SCPRO) and the Ski Touring Section of the Potomac Appalachian Club.

THE FSGW Getaway RETURNS TO WEST RIVER

Hooray! The FSGW Getaway is coming back as a real-life, in-person event! We're planning a wonderful weekend of music and fun for Friday evening, September 29, through Monday morning, October 2, 2023. We'll gather at West River Center, a beautiful spot on a Chesapeake Bay inlet, for a weekend full of singing, playing, and good company.

If you've been to the Getaway in the past, you know how great it is. If you haven't, we hope you'll plan on joining us – we can promise a great time!

Many “folk festivals” involve a few hired professionals performing,

while everyone else listens. The Getaway is different; we gather as a community to share, support, listen to, and learn from each other. Imagine two full days of topical sessions, singarounds, a few short concerts, and sign-up concerts each evening. We'll sing, we'll play, we'll jam, we'll learn new songs and tunes, we'll greet old friends and meet new ones. Participation is the key!

We're still in the early planning stages, and we could use some help. We'd love to hear your ideas for programming and other aspects of the gathering, and, since the Getaway is an all-volunteer event, we need folks to

help with planning and logistics, as well as with setup and helping out during the weekend. Please let us know if you'd be interested in helping to make the Getaway work! You may contact our chairpersons, Carly Gewirz (carlygewirz@gmail.com) or Dean Clamons (dclamons@gmail.com), with your ideas or to volunteer.

We'd like to draw as large a group as possible this year – the more folks who attend, the lower the per-person cost, so plan to come and encourage your folksy friends to join you!

*Come to the Getaway!
Be part of the fun!*

FSGW POLICY REGARDING COVID-19 AND PARTICIPATION AT IN-PERSON EVENTS

is being revised as we watch the spread of variants and their effect on the community. A current version is posted on our website at

<https://www.fsgw.org/FSGW-covid19-response>

The goal is to keep all of us healthy and to enable everyone to feel safe. FSGW hopes that everyone will approach participating at in-person events from a “good neighbor” perspective. Each of us is essential to keeping the community healthy. Thank you!

Charlie Pilzer, FSGW President

FSGW BOARD MEETING (ONLINE) • TUESDAY, JANUARY 3 • 8 PM

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

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JANUARY 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 <i>Happy New Year!</i> 2:45 Waltz at Glen Echo	2	3 7 Baltimore Jam 7:30 Takoma Mandoleers 8 FSGW Board Meeting	4 7 Westminster OT Jam 7:30 Nordic Dance 8 FSGW English Country Dance with April Blum 8 Glen Echo International 8 BFMS Contra Dance	5	6 5 Upper Potomac Pipers Retreat 7 Baltimore Crankie Festival 7:30 FSGW Open Sing 7:30 Greenbelt Int'l Folk Dance 8 FSGW & FND Contra w/ David Giusti & the Contra Rebels	7 10 Upper Potomac Pipers Retreat 11 Foggy Bottom Morris 12 Baltimore Crankie Festival 6:30 MAND potluck/dance
8 <i>Newsletter Deadline!</i> 10 Upper Potomac Pipers Retreat 10 Rock Creek Morris Women 12 Baltimore Crankie Festival 2 FSGW Gospel Sing 7:30 FSGW Concert with Flynn Cohen and Natalie Padilla	9 8 BFMS English Country Dance	10 7 Baltimore Jam 7:30 Takoma Mandoleers	11 7:30 Nordic Dance 7:30 FSGW Grapevine 8 FSGW English Country Dance with Ann Fallon 8 Glen Echo International 8 Ship's Company Chantey Sing	12 7:30 FSGW Silver Spring Contra with Gabe Popkin	13 1:30 FSGW Schweinhaut Song Circle 7:30 Greenbelt Int'l Folk Dance 8 FSGW and FND Contra with The Glen Echo Open Band	14 11 Foggy Bottom Morris 7 BFMS Dance 7:30 FSGW & VITG Story Swap 7:30 Concert with Hammond & Moberg 7:30 Silver Spring ECD 8 Swing Dance w/ The Daddies
15 10 Rock Creek Morris Women 2:45 Waltz at Glen Echo	16	17 7 Baltimore Jam 7:30 Takoma Mandoleers	18 7 Old Time Jam at Bevco 7:30 Nordic Dance 8 FSGW English Country Dance with Melissa Running 8 Glen Echo International 8 BFMS Contra Dance	19 8 Ship's Company Chantey Sing	20 5 Upper Potomac Fiddlers Retreat 7:30 Greenbelt Int'l Folk Dance 8 FSGW and FND Contra with TBA	21 10 Upper Potomac Fiddlers Retreat 11 Foggy Bottom Morris 4 Scandinavian Dance 7 Annapolis ECD
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