

Baltimore Folk Music Society

Member, Country Dance & Song Society

December 2013

BFMS American Contra & Square Dance*

Lovely Lane United Methodist Church 2200 Saint Paul St, Baltimore 21218 Use parking lots on either side of 23rd St. at Saint Paul

Wednesday evenings, 8-10:30 pm New dancer session at 7:30 on the second and fourth Wednesdays of the month Admission: \$13/\$9 for BFMS members & affiliates. http://bfms.org/squarecontra.php

Dec 6—Janine Smith calls to the Old Time Jam Band

Dec 11—Anna Rain calls to *Green Light Karma*—David Knight (fiddle), Andrew Marcus (accordion), and Dave Wiesler (piano, guitar). New dancer orientation at 7:30

Dec 18—April Blum calls to Carl Friedman (fiddle), Ralph Barthine (guitar), Susan Brandt (flute), and Marc Glickman (piano).

Dec 25-NO DANCE. Merry Christmas!

Jan 1—Susan Taylor calls to OMG – Paul Oorts (mandolin, accordion, banjo), Rodney Miller (fiddle), and Ralph Gordon (bass).

BFMS Second Saturday Contra Dance*

Saturday, December 14, 8-11 pm Saint Mark's on-the-Hill Parish Hall 1620 Reisterstown Rd, Pikesville 21208

Greg Frock calls to **Terpsichore - Liz Donaldson** (piano) and **Elke Baker** (fiddle).

The dance will be preceded by a family dance at 5pm (see listing on the following page), potluck 6:30-7:30pm; intro to contra dancing 7:35-7:55

Admission is: \$9 BFMS members & affiliates, \$13 nonmembers. Under 21 and full-time students with ID: \$4/\$6. For more information call Becca at 301-606-7115 or email: nutritionexpeditions@yahoo.com http://www.bfms.org/saturdayDance.php

♥ SAVE THE DATE for the Valentine's Day Extravaganza February 8, 2014, 2~11pm. Calling by Ron Buchanan, music by Steve Hickman, Marty Taylor & Dave Wiesler! For more info, visit <u>http://bfms.org/valentine.php</u>♥

BFMS English Country Dance*

Saint Mark's on-the-Hill Parish Hall 1620 Reisterstown Rd, Pikesville 21208 0.5 miles from Balt. Beltway Exit 20 South

Monday evenings, 8-10:30 pm; New dancer session at 7:45 on the first Monday of the month \$11/\$8 for BFMS members & affiliates; \$2 student discount http://bfms.org/mondayDance.php

Dec 2— New Dancers Workshop promptly at 7:45 **Melissa Running** calls to music by **Becky Ross** (violin), **Robin Wilson** (flute, concertina), & **Liz Donaldson** (piano)

Dec 9— Sharon McKinley calls to music by Barbara Gorin (violin, cello), Dave Crandall (winds), and Jonathan Jensen: (piano, etc.)

Dec 16— **Mike Franch** calls to music by **Andrea Hoag** (violin), **Wayne Hankin** (winds), and **Carl Friedman** (piano, violin)

Dec 23— Susan Taylor calls to music by Emily Aubrey (violin), Marty Taylor (winds, concertina), and Liz Donaldson (piano).

Dec 30— April Blum calls to music by Jeff Steinberg (violin), Brian Cardell (winds), and Karin Loya (cello).

BFMS MidWinter Ball, January 11, 2014*

You are cordially invited to the Baltimore Folk Music Society MidWinter Ball. Reception at 7:00 pm, Grand March led by Stan Fowler at 7:30, with contras and couple dances from 7:40 - 11:30.

Dance to **Avant Gardeners**, Laura Light, fiddle, George Paul, keyboards and accordion, Dave Weisler, guitar and keyboards and Loren Oppenheimer, percussion.

Beth Molaro will be calling the dances.

Join us in the Ballroom of the Temple of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite Of Freemasonry, 3800 North Charles Street, Baltimore, MD 21218

Mark your calendars. The theme is "Green."

For more information, contact Joyce Duffy-Bilanow at midwinter@bfms.org, or 410.608.6731. Registration online or download a flyer at <u>bfms.org/midwinter.php</u>.

More BFMS and Member-Sponsored Events

BFMS Family Dance*

Saturday, December 14, 8-11 pm Saint Mark's on-the-Hill Parish Hall 1620 Reisterstown Rd, Pikesville 21208

Family dances are geared towards young children and families. All ages are encouraged to attend. Dances are all taught and dancing is to live music. **DeLaura Padovan** will call dances to music by **Devine Comedy.** The dance is followed by a pot luck dinner and evening contra dance.

Admission fee: \$4 for members; \$6 for non-members Children under age 3 are free. You may become a member online or at the door, and receive the discount right away. For questions or to volunteer to help: call Janet at 443-360-8998 or email janetlhenry at verizon.net http://www.bfms.org/familyDance.php

Fourth at Four StoryFolk*

No event in December. See you in January!

http://bfms.org/Fourth-at-Four.php

BFMS Board Meeting*

Tuesday, December 3, 7:30 pm

Meetings are open to BFMS members, and all are encouraged to attend. Ice cream social follows meeting. For directions, agenda, and other information, please contact the President at: president [at] bfms.org.

The Friendly Coffeehouse*

Friday, December 13, 8-11 pm Calvary Baptist Church, lower level 120 W. Pennsylvania Ave. Towson, MD

The Friendly Coffeehouse is a monthly open mic that meets on the second Friday of each month. ALL Singer-Songwriters, Musicians, Storytellers, Poets & more to perform. Snacks and house piano provided along with PA & mics to plug in & play!

Visit or "like" the "BFMS Open Mike: The Friendly Coffeehouse" Facebook page at <u>http://www.facebook.com/</u> groups/365194964518/

Singing for Everyone[‡]

Sunday, December 1, 7-9 pm 5724 Oakshire Rd. Baltimore, MD 21209

We will gather for "Singing for Everyone" at the home of Nelson Hyman. 410-466-2283 All are welcome.

Contact Susan Warner: scwarner [at] hotmail.com

BFMS Open Sing[‡]

Tuesday, December 10, 7:30-9:30 pm Second floor of Bertha's, 734 S Broadway, Baltimore, MD 21231 (in Fells Point).

Calling all traditional singers, acoustic instrument players, and singer/songwriters. Join us for the BFMS Open Sing, where we can share songs in a welcoming and informal setting. Everyone is invited, regardless of skill level. There will be chorus songs, so even if you aren't comfortable singing in front of a crowd, you can sing along with the crowd.

The Open Sings will take place on the second Tuesday of each month. Questions? Contact Michael Quitt at mqpens [at] gmail.com

Baltimore Singers Club[‡]

Wednesday, December 4, 7:30-10:30 pm Admiral Fell Inn (in the Fells Point neighborhood) 888 S Broadway St. Baltimore MD 21231

All levels of singers (and all you ballad loving listeners) are welcome for singing, exchanging and development of performance of songs in the oral tradition, with songs sung to tavern patrons, as well. Chorus songs are welcome, but not necessary and you have a chance to air out your ballad repertoire.

Free and open to all. Meetings continue on the first Wednesday of each month

For more information, find <u>Baltimore Singers Club</u> on Facebook, visit <u>baltimoresingersclub.blogspot.com</u> Or email Severn Savage: severn.savage [at] att.net

Geud Band of Baltimore[‡]

The Geud Band of Baltimore, a rehearsed open band for English Country Dancing, practices monthly and plays for Monday night English Dances every 2-3 months. Newcomers welcome. For information, contact Eileen Franch, at: franch [at] verizon.net.

Member-Sponsored Music Events

Perry Hall Folk Music Night[‡]

Saturday, December 7, 7 -10 pm Perry Hall United Methodist Church 9515 Belair Rd., Baltimore, MD 21236

Featured Performers: <u>Angelo M.</u> Admission is free, but donations are welcome. This is an "open mike" event.

http://home.comcast.net/~ndzimmer/folkmusic/ Info: ndzimmer [at] comcast.net (Neil Zimmerman) 410-529-7176

333 Coffeehouse‡

Friday, December 13, 7:30-10 pm Annapolis Friends Meeting 351 DuBois Rd, Annapolis, MD 21401

<u>Grace Pettis</u>—The daughter of famed songwriter Pierce Pettis, she has a wonderful voice and a compelling delivery, and is emerging as an award-winning writer.

\$10, or \$8 for seniors, students, and members of ATDS and affiliates (including BFMS). Refreshments served. Info: Tom Rhoads & Amy Ksir, 333coffeehouse [at] gmail.com, or (443)-333-9613. <u>fsgw.org/333</u>

Common Ground on the Hill Concert Series *Friday & Saturday December 6-7*

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Walt Michael & Co. Annual Holiday Concert Walt & Co. will "break up Christmas" with a wideranging repertoire of tunes and songs that reflect the rich musical heritage of the Appalachians.

Friday, December 6, 8pm (doors open 7:30) Baltimore Concert Series Brown Memorial Woodbrook Presbyterian Church 6200 North Charles St., Baltimore, Md. 21212

Saturday, December 7, 8pm (doors open 7:30) Westminster Concert Series Carroll Arts Center 91 W Main Street, Westminster, MD 21157

Admission: \$25, \$22 Students, Seniors 65+ and teens Ticket sales and more information: <u>http://www.commongroundonthehill.org/</u>

Uptown Concerts at The Cellar Stage[‡]

Faith Community United Methodist Church 5315 Harford Rd. Baltimore, MD 21214

Friday, December 6th **Robin Bullock, Ken Kolodner** & Elke Baker Tickets \$25.00 ~ Showtime 8:00 pm

Friday, December 13th <u>TriBeCaStan</u> Tickets \$21.00 ~ Showtime 8:00 pm

For more information on the artists and their music, see our website: <u>www.uptownconcerts.com</u>

For tickets and reservations, call: 410-795-1041

Uptown Concerts at Baldwin's Station‡

7618 Main Street * Sykesville, MD 21784

Thursday, December 5th <u>Naked Blue</u> Tickets \$18.00 ~ Showtime 8:00 pm

Thursday, December 12th <u>Side by Side</u> with **Paul Prestopino** Holiday Show Tickets \$18.00 ~ Showtime 8:00 pm

For more information on the artists and their music, see our website: <u>www.uptownconcerts.com</u>

For tickets and reservations, call: 410-795-1041



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Ballroom Dancing ‡

Every Friday, 7:50 pm ROTC building at Johns Hopkins University

Waltz, rumba, tango and more. Always free. All are welcome. Goodies for snack time are welcome, too. For more info call Anne and Dave Greene at 410-599-3725 or email Anne: agreene @ all-systems.com, Dave: DGSG @ all-systems.com

Norwegian Dance & Potluck‡

Saturday, Dec 14; Potluck 6:30 pm, dancing 8:00 9512 St. Andrews Way, Silver Spring, MD 20901

Norwegian-style house party! Mesmerizing live music by foremost-in-US **Loretta Kelley** on the unique Hardanger fiddle (see <u>HFAA.org</u>). Addictive dances, some with elements like Swing or Hambo. Beginners, singles/couples, watchers/listeners all welcome. Bring clean shoes to wear, food to share, and \$\$ you can spare.

Hosts Phyllis & Steve's phone just in case: 301.585.5806 Info & directions: <u>http://MAND.fanitull.org</u> or Jenny, pi @ xecu.net, 301.371.4312.

International Folk Dancing‡

Saturdays, 7:30 - 10:30 pm, lessons in first hour Homewood Friends Meeting House, 3107 N. Charles St. Baltimore, MD 21218

Dances from Europe, Israel and other countries of the Near and Middle East. Beginners welcome; no partner necessary. Admission \$2; first time free. Lessons given in the first hour.

Al & Hildy Sanders 410-484-9392 (check answering machine message to confirm dancing is on) or Paul & Elise Kreiss 410-367-8194 (evenings & weekends) or pkreiss @ toadmail.com. Enter down outside stairs from side porch. Call to arrange handicapped access.

Helicon Winter Solstice Concert‡

Saturday, December 21, 3:30 pm and 8 pm Kraushaar Auditorium, Goucher College 1021 Dulaney Valley Road, Towson, MD

The Baltimore-based trio, *Helicon*, celebrates their 28th reunion appearance in this year's Winter Solstice Concert. *Helicon* blends the talents of **Ken Kolodner** (hammered dulcimer, fiddle, hammered mbira), **Chris Norman** (wooden flutes, tin whistle, small pipes, vocals, piano) and **Robin Bullock** (guitar, cittern, fiddle, piano). The trio reunites with Norman coming in from Nova Scotia and Bullock from France . Joining Helicon is Kolodner's son, **Brad** (claw-hammer banjo, fiddle, vocals, gourd banjo and banjola), Chris Norman's daughter (modern dance faculty at Peabody), North American step-dance champion **Jonathan Srour**, **Alex Lacquement** (bass player from The Eastman school of music), and Scottish National Fiddle Champion **Elke Baker**.

While *Helicon's* style is clearly Celtic flavored, the concert will feature a unique blend of seasonal and traditional music from Appalachia, Israel, Quebec, Nova Scotia, Europe, Africa, the Far East, Ireland, and Scotland and beyond. The show is a perfect way for the whole family—young and old—to celebrate the winter holidays.

Tickets are available at <u>www.kenkolodner.com</u> via credit card or call 410-746-8387 <u>kenkolodner@aol.com</u>; \$30 at the door; \$26 in advance; \$23 for groups of 15+; \$21 for groups of 30+; \$20 for kids under 14. Directions to the campus and Kraushaar Auditorium can be found on Goucher's website at <u>http://www.goucher.edu/about/</u>



Annapolis Traditional Dance Society

Traditional American Contra and Square Dancing Saturday, Dec 21, 7-10 pm; Intro lesson 6:30 Annapolis Friends Meeting Hall 351 Dubois Road, Annapolis MD

Ann Fallon will teach and call dances to the amazing music of Alexander Mitchell (fiddle) and Liz Donaldson (piano).

Admission for dance, \$10, with discounts for seniors, students, families and members of Annapolis Traditional Dance Society (ATDS). All ages welcome. All dances taught and walked through. No experience or partner required. Snacks to share at the break are welcome!

Questions?? Contact Jan Scopel at 443-540 0867 or janscope @ hotmail.com; or Ann Fallon, 410 268 0231, aefallon @ verizon.net. <u>www.contradancers.com/atds</u>

Frederick Contra Dance

Saturday, November 23, 8-11 pm. Lesson at 7pm. Trinity School 6040 New Design Rd, Frederick MD 21703

Greg Frock calls to **Rambling House:** Irish tunes from one of the region's pre-eminent ceili bands. **Joe DeZarn,** fiddle; **Tina Eck,** wooden flute/pennywhistle; **Marc Glickman,** piano/bodhrán; **Keith Carr** on banjo and bouzouki will sub for Patrick Cavanagh for this date.

Admission \$10, Students \$5. Contact person is Boe Walker at 301.694.6794. Please check our website for details and directions:

Silver Spring Contra Dance

Thursday, Dec 12, 7-10pm (Workshop 7-7:30) Silver Spring Civic Building One Veterans Plaza, Silver Spring MD

Sargon de Jesus calling to music by Sligo Creek Stompers

\$10 general admission / \$8 FSGW members / \$5 students and those without income. Plenty of parking in public lot across the street, 801 Ellsworth Dr.

For more info: busygraham [at] gmail.com / 301-466-0183 Bob Mathis: talibob [at] starpower.net -- or Jeff Kenton: jmkenton [at] verizon.net

www.CarpeDiemArts.org www.FSGW.org

FSGW Sunday Night Squares & Contras

Sundays, 7:30-10:30 pm, Beginner Workshop 7pm Spanish Ballroom, Glen Echo Park, MD

Contras and squares for new and experienced dancers. No partner necessary. New dancers please arrive early. Admission \$12, \$9 for members, \$4 ages 17 and under. www.fsgw.org

Dec 1-Nils Fredland with Elixir

Dec 8-Adina Gordon with Maivish

Dec 15-Susan Taylor with Sligo Creek Stompers

Dec 22-Janine Smith with Morrison Brothers Band

Dec 29-Anna Rain with Perpetual e-Motion

Friday Night Dance

Fridays, 8:30-11:30pm. Beginners' workshop 7:30 Spanish Ballroom, Glen Echo Park, MD

Weekly contra dances to live music. Admission \$10, \$5 for ages 17 and under.

Dec 6—Adina Gordon calls to Maivish

Dec 13—Warren Doyle with the fabulous Glen Echo Open Band.

Dec 20-Sargon de Jesus calls to The Morrison Brothers

Dec 27-Bob Isaacs with Perpetual e-Motion

Info: 301-634-2222 (Glen Echo Park Partnership for Arts and Culture) or <u>www.fridaynightdance.org</u> Facebook: <u>Friday Night Dance at Glen Echo Park</u>

Lancaster Traditional Society Contra Dance

Saturday, December 21, 7-10 pm, workshop 6:15 St. John's Episcopal Church 321 W. Chestnut St. Lancaster, PA

Root Mean Square with Paul Morrissett-violin, Wes Steenson-guitar and mandolin. Jo Anne Rocke-piano. Greg Frock calling.

Please note changes to start time and admission. \$9/\$6 students. Ages 15 and younger FREE.

For information call Karen at (717) 951-4317 or visit our website at <u>www.lancastercontra.org</u>.

Shepherdstown Contra Dance

Saturday, December 7, 8pm War Memorial Building Corner of German & King St., Shepherdstown, WV

Adina Gordon calls lively contras at our annual holiday dance to music by Mavish with Jaige Trudel on fiddle, Adam Broom on guitar and Matthew Olwell on flute, bodhràn and foot percussion.

Beginners workshop at 7:30PM. All levels welcome, no partners needed. Please wear clean, soft-soled shoes to protect the floor. Admission is \$10 adults, \$7 SMD members, \$4 dancers under 12 years old. For information contact Becky at 876-2169 or see the web page at <u>www.smad.us</u>.

Galesville Community Square Dance

Galesville Memorial Hall—952 Galesville Road, Galesville MD (Near Annapolis)

NO DANCE in December

http://communitysquaredance.wordpress.com/ More info: (301) 926-9142

Sunday Afternoon Waltz

Spanish Ballroom, Glen Echo Park 7300 MacArthur Blvd, Glen Echo, MD 20812

Sunday, December 1—Elixir Sunday, December 15—Sugar Beat Sunday, December 29—Terpsichore

Dance to a lively mix of folk waltzes with a few other couples dances, including Hambo, Swing, Tango, and Polka. Admission \$10. No partner required. The waltz lesson begins at 2:45 p.m. with a half-hour of beginner instruction and 15-minutes for an intermediate move. Dancing follows until 6 p.m

For info: go to <u>www.WaltzTimeDances.org</u>, or e-mail: info [at] WaltzTimeDances.org.

Annapolis English Country Dance

Saturday, December 7, 7-10 pm, Lesson 6:30 Annapolis Friends Meeting Hall 351 Dubois Road , Annapolis MD

Tom Spilsbury will teach and lead dances to music by Elke Baker and Liz Donaldson. Admission for dance, \$10 with discounts for seniors, students, families and members of Annapolis Traditional Dance Society (ATDS). All ages welcome. All dances taught and walked through. No experience or partner required. Snacks to share at the break are welcome! Questions?? Contact Jan Scopel at 443- 540 0867 or janscope@hotmail.com; or Ann Fallon, 410 268 0231, aefallon@verizon.net.

FSGW English Country Dancing

Wednesdays 8-10:30pm Glen Echo Town Hall 6106 Harvard St. Glen Echo MD 20812

Dec 4 - Melissa Running leads the dances to the music of Becky Ross (fiddle), David Giusti (recorder), and Liz Donaldson (piano).

Dec 11 - Liz Donaldson calls while Katie Davis Henderson (fiddle), Barbara Heitz (flute), and Ralph Gordon (cello) play the tunes.

Dec 18 - Anna Rain calls while Emily Aubrey (fiddle), Bruce Edwards (bassoon and concertina), and Melissa Running (piano) make music

Dec 25 - No dance! See you in the new year!

Admission: \$8 for FSGW members, \$10 for non-members. Info: Stephanie Smith at 301.229.3577 or e-mail Roger Broseus at English [at] fsgw.org

Hot Society Sunday Afternoon Dance

Sunday, December 8, 3-6 pm Glen Echo Park, MD

The Hot Society Orchestra of Washington, featuring music and dances from the '20s, '30s and '40s. Foxtrot, two-step, waltz, cha cha, rhumba, swing and more in the Spanish Ballroom. No partner or experience necessary. **Foxtrot** lesson at 3:00. \$14

Info: www.glenechopark.org and www.hotsociety.net.

The Great American Square Dance Revival

Saturday, December 7, 8:30 - 11:30 pm St. Stephen's Church, 1525 Newton St. NW, DC near the Columbia Heights Metro

Master caller, musician, flatfooter, and Green Grass Clogger **Phil Jamison** comes all the way up from Asheville, NC to call the figures with *The Mostly Mountain Boys* - that's **Paul Brown** (fiddle and banjo), **John Schwab** (guitar), **Terri McMurray** (banjo uke) and **Marshall Wilborn** (bass).

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. \$5 at the door.

More info: visit www.dcsquaredance.com

ALSO: Phil Jamison will present a Dance Calling Class on the afternoon of Saturday, December 7th. Location, time, and more details about registration will be posted on the DC Square Dance Collective Facebook page and on the FSGW website. Plan to take advantage of this rare opportunity to learn from a Master, right here in DC!

Hot Squares in the Olde Town Tonight!

Wednesday, January 1, 2 - 5 pm Ballroom Blum 8300 Osage Terrace, Adelphi, MD

The Hot Square Babes (Laura Brown, Ann Fallon, Eva Murray, Janine Smith, and Susan Taylor) are throwing our annual Square Dance Party on New Year's Day. Fabulous live music by **OMG!** That's Paul Oorts, Rodney Miller, and Ralph Gordon. We'll dance from 2 - 5 pm, and share a potluck dinner until 7 pm. A paltry \$10 gets you in. No prior dance experience or partner needed.

More info: <u>www.fsgw.org</u>

FSGW New Year's Eve Ball

Tuesday, December 31, 8 pm-12:15 am Women's Club of Chevy Chase 7931 Connecticut Ave. Chevy Chase, MD

Music by Sugar Beat, with Anna Rain calling the figures.

\$33 for FSGW and BFMS members., \$38 general. Admission by registration only, must be 18 or older, no tickets available at the door. Registration closes 12/17/13

Registration form available on FSGW website: fsgw.org

Workshops

Scandinavian Dance Classes

Tuesdays, December 3, 10, and 17, 7:30 - 9:30pm NIH, Bethesda, MD

Beginning and advanced dancers welcome. Beginners learn Hambo, Schottis, Waltz, Zwiefacher, and other couple turning dances. Advanced dancers learn Boda, Orsa, Föllinge, Finnskogspols, Viksta, Gammalvänster, Telespringar, Valdresspringar, and requests. Sometimes live music. Wear smooth-soled shoes for turning, not running shoes. \$5. **First time free.**

<u>Info</u>: Lisa Brooks at 240.731.1935, lisa [at] HamboDC.org, or <u>www.HamboDC.org</u>.

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

English Country Dance Music Workshop

Saturday, December 7, 2-4 pm Annapolis, MD

Please join pianist **Liz Donaldson** for a workshop session on playing for English country dance. The workshop will be held in the afternoon prior to the evening English dance. Workshop participants will receive tunes in advance. Several musicians at a time will be given an opportunity to join Elke Baker and Liz in playing some of the tunes during the evening dance.

Attendance at the workshop will be limited. Sign up early to reserve your spot, by sending payment of \$25.00, payable to Liz Donaldson, to Ann Fallon , 11 Tucker St. Annapolis , MD 21401

The workshop will be followed by a pot-luck supper. For additional details, contact Ann Fallon , 410 268 0231, aefallon@verizon.net or John Wells , 410 507 1862.

Contra Dance Music Workshop

Saturday, December 21, 1:30-4:30 Annapolis, MD

Dance Musicians: Here's a special not-to-be-missed opportunity. **Alexander Mitchell** (fiddle) and **Liz Donaldson** (piano), who are playing for the Annapolis December 21 contra dance, will lead a dance band workshop in the afternoon prior to the dance. Come and learn techniques for playing the tunes you may already know in a more danceable fashion.

Music will be provided in advance, upon registration and payment, and will be drawn from the Summer Tunes 2013 Tunebook. Workshop cost is \$30. Checks can be made payable to Liz Donaldson and mailed to Ann Fallon, 11 Tucker Street, Annapolis, MD 21401.

Attendance is limited; sign up early to reserve your spot! The workshop will be held in the home of Ann Fallon and John Wells, and will be followed by a pot-luck supper. For additional details, contact Ann Fallon, 410 268 0231, aefallon@verizon.net

Upper Potomac Fiddle Retreat

Friday, January 3 -Sunday, January 5 Shepherd University, Shepherdstown, WV

Join some of our finest local fiddlers and special guests for a weekend featuring over 24 different workshops for fiddle, hammered dulcimer, and mixed instruments, and dance band classes in a variety of styles in historic Shepherdstown, WV, on the campus of Shepherd University. Weekend's staff includes Lisa Ornstein (French Canadian), Kimberley Frasier (Cape Breton), Rodney Miller (New England), Joe DeZarn (Irish), Joe Herrmann (Old Time Fiddle), Elke Baker (beginning fiddle), Ken Kolodner (Hammered Dulcimer), Paul Oorts (mandolin and mixed instruments) and special guest, Cape Breton pianist, Doug MacPhee. Friday night features a showcase concert; Saturday night has a contra dance with the weekend's open band led by our instructors as well as jam sessions nearby.

For information see <u>http://upperpotomacmusic.info/</u> <u>fiddleretreat</u> or call Joanie Blanton (304) 263-2531 or email updf@earthlink.net

Upper Potomac Pipers Weekend

Friday, January 17 -Sunday, January 19 Shepherd University, Shepherdstown, WV

Weekend retreat featuring classes, individual tutoring, concert and sessions for a wide variety of bellows-blown bagpipes, percussion, flute and mixed instruments. Piping staff includes **Cillian Valleley** (Irish uilleann pipes), **Ian Lawther** (Northumbrian smallpipes), **Laura MacKenzie** (Scottish smallpipes, border pipes and flute), and **Will Woodson** (Scottish smallpipes and border pipes) along with John Skelton on Irish flute and whistle plus Breton and Galician Repertoire and **Matt Bell** on bodhran and our host piper, **Bob Mitchell**. All classes are held in the relaxed retreat atmosphere of the Shepherd University campus center and the surrounding historic buildings.

For more information see the webpage at <u>http://upperpotomacmusic.info/squeezethebag/</u>, call Joanie Blanton (304) 263-2531 or email updf@earthlink.net . Early Bird registration by Dec 15 offers a substantial discount on tuition!

Upper Potomac Spring Music Weekend

Friday, March 7– Sunday March 9, 2014 Shepherd University, Shepherdstown, WV

Workshops, classes, concerts and jam sessions for hammered dulcimer, fiddle, banjo and mixed instruments with special guest instructors including hammered dulcimer players **Cindy Ribet, Deborah Justice, Andy Young**, fiddler **Jane Rothfield** and banjoist, **Hilarie Burhans** teaching an oldtime music class, and multi-instrumentalists **Paul Oorts** and **Steve Schneider** teaching ensemble and musicality classes.

All weekend workshops take place in the relaxed, retreat setting of the Shepherd University Student Center and surrounding historic buildings in scenic Shepherdstown, West Virginia.

To find out more, visit our web site at <u>upperpotomacmusic.info</u> or call (304) 263-2531, or email upperpotomac@gmail.com for a brochure.

Write us at: Upper Potomac Music Weekends PO Box 1474, Shepherdstown, WV 25443

Roots Café Christmas Show

RESCHEDULED: Sunday, December 21, at 5 pm An Die Musik Live 409 Charles Street, Baltimore MD 21201

<u>Mark Brine</u> and <u>Alan MacEwen</u> perform original and obscure songs in the round with your singing host **Geoffrey Himes** and a special guest appearance by SANTA CLAUS

\$7 in advance, \$9 at door. (410) 385-2638 More info: <u>www.rootscafe.org</u> or <u>www.andiemusiklive.com</u>

Folkie Friday at 49 West

Friday, December 27, 8 pm 49 West Coffeehouse, Winebar & Gallery 49 West Street, Annapolis MD 21401

Hosted by Janie Meneely and Jeff Holland, this regularly scheduled evening (always the fourth Friday) features folk music from different perspectives and traditions. This evening's performer TBD.

Go to <u>www.49westcoffeehouse.com</u> for updates. Reservations recommended 410-626-9796. A \$15 cover will be charged to your tab. Info: Janie Meneely 443-786-0463; janiemeneely@gmail.com.

The Brandywine Friends of Old Time Music

Friday, December 6, 8 pm Unitarian Fellowship Hall 420 Willa Road, Newark, Del. 19711

April Verch enjoys the second decade of her career as an internationally touring Canadian fiddler, step dancer and singer-songwriter. Her ninth album, Bright Like Gold, captures a woman who's grown from a prodigy into an enduring artist with grace and grit to spare. Her band is an energetic, virtuosic, tradition-celebrating outfit featuring bassist and clawhammer banjo player Cody Walters and guitarist Hayes Griffin.

Tickets at the door: Public \$17; Seniors \$14; BFOTM Members \$12; Ages 17 & under FREE! More info: aprilverch.com, brandywinefriends.org/concerts, concerts@brandywinefriends.org, or (302) 321-6466 <u>https://www.youtube.com/aprilverch</u> Visit us on Facebook! www.facebook.com/bfotm

A Chesapeake Christmas

Sunday, December 8 * 4-6 pm Havre de Grace Maritime Museum 100 Lafayette St., Have de Grace, MD 21078

Featuring Janie Meneely, Bob Zentz and Steve Winick (as the inimitable Captain Christmas), this fun and lively program celebrates the season through the eyes of watermen and sailors alike. Expect to sing along. Refreshments will be served. . \$15 suggested donation; info at 410-939-4800; www.hdgmaritimemuseum.org.

Carroll Café

Friday, December 13, 7:30 pm Seekers Church, 276 Carroll St. NW

The harmony trio **Brother Sun** is set to bring their tremendous musical diversity and spot on harmony to D.C. at the Carroll Café. **Joe Jencks**, **Pat Wictor** and **Greg Greenway** each toured as solo singer-songwriters for more than a decade before forming the band. Their collective musical experience encompasses folk, roots, blues, pop, jazz, rock and a cappella singing.

Tickets are \$20 Advance/ \$25 at the Door. For more information or advance tickets go to <u>www.carrollcafe.org</u> or email <u>info@carrollcafe.org</u>.

Carpe Diem! Celebration of the Season

Saturday, December 21, 8:00pm Seekers Church, 276 Carroll St. Takoma DC (across from Takoma Metro)

A Winter's Eve of Song, Dance & Story, Plus gifts for holiday giving. To include ample opportunities for audience participation in singing and dancing.

Tickets: \$15 advance / \$20 at the door Students and those without income: \$10 advance / \$15 door \$5 for ages 12 and under ADVANCE PURCHASE OF TICKETS RECOMMENDED www.BrownPaperTickets.com

More info: BusyGraham@gmail.com / 301-466-0183 cell www.CarpeDiemArts.org

Focus Music Mount Vernon

Saturday, December 7, 7 pm St Aidan's Episcopal Church 8531 Riverside Rd., Alexandria, Va. 22308

James Keelaghan has a rich and resonant baritone and an eloquent way with a lyric, often addressing political and social themes. With his driving rhythm guitar, he bridges traditional folk music with roots revival, Americana and Celtic music.

Tickets are \$18 general, \$15 in advance at <u>FocusMusic.org</u>. Discounts also are available for Focus members. For more information, contact Herb Cooper-Levy at 703-380-3151 or herb@focusmusic.org.

Institute of Musical Traditions Concert Series

Rockville Concert Series St. Mark Presbyterian Church 10701 Old Georgetown Rd., Rockville, MD

Mon Dec 9, 7:30 pm: Robin Bullock, Ken Kolodner & Elke Baker \$20 advance/\$25 door. Students \$15/\$20.

Takoma Park Concert Series *Takoma Park Community Center Auditorium 7500 Maple Ave., Takoma Park, MD*

- Mon Dec 4, 7:30 pm: <u>April Verch</u>. Tickets \$18 advance/\$22 door. Students \$14/\$18.
- *Fri Dec 20, 7:30 pm:* Ensemble Galilei Holiday Concert \$22 advance/\$26 door. Students \$18/\$22.

SPECIAL EVENT!

Takoma Park Middle School 7611 Piney Branch Rd. Silver Spring MD Sunday Dec 8, 4:30 pm: Cathy Fink & Marcy Marxer's Blanket and Pillow Concert (The 28th Annual Winter Family Concert) with special guest Justin Roberts. TICKETS: \$12 Advance, \$15 door. Groups of five or more in advance: \$10 each

INFO: call 301-970-3655 and visit www.imtfolk.org

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