



# Baltimore Folk Music Society

Member, Country Dance & Song Society

April 2024

<http://www.bfms.org>

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Special Events are listed after the regular ones

## Wednesday Contra Dance

American Contra and Square Dancing at 8:00 p.m. on 1st, 3rd and 5th Wednesdays at Lovely Lane United Methodist Church, 2200 St. Paul Street, Baltimore, MD 21218. Admission is \$10 for members, \$15 for nonmembers. Under 21 and full-time students with IDs: free. All dances are taught and walked through beforehand.

<http://www.bfms.org/squarecontra.php>

*May 01 2024*

David Giusti calls to Wyndream - Janet Muse (piano), Chelle Fulk (fiddle), and David Knight (fiddle). Intro lesson at 7:30pm. Dance starts at 8pm at Lovely Lane Church. Online payment only: <https://bfms.org/contradancepay.php>

*May 15 2024*

Kappy Lanning calls to music by Ladies in the Parlor - Barb Schmid (fiddle), Freya Qually (guitar), Suzanne Gates (bass), and Sharon Sacks (banjo). Intro lesson at 7:30pm. Dance starts at 8pm at Lovely Lane Church. Online payment only: <https://bfms.org/contradancepay.php>

## Monday English Dance

English Country Dance - 2nd and 4th Mondays from 8 to 10:30 pm English Country Dancing is lively movement to elegant music in a friendly, informal setting. All dances are taught and walked through. \$10 BFMS Members & Affiliates, \$15 non-members. Under 21 and full-time students with ID: \$7 for members, \$10 for nonmembers. Church of the Nativity, 6112 York Rd., 21212. Info: [engdance@bfms.org](mailto:engdance@bfms.org)  
<http://www.bfms.org/mondayDance.php>

*May 13 2024*

English Country Dance: 8:00 - 10:30 pm Kappy Lannng will lead the dancing to music by Becky Ross, (violin), Liz Donaldson, (piano) and Mark Vidor, (accordion) Location: The Church of the Nativity and Holy Comforter, 6112 York Rd, Baltimore, MD 21212. PLEASE NOTE: Dances are mask optional and proof of vaccination not required. Participants are welcome to bring snacks to share at the break. Please pay on-line at [Www.bfms.org/englishcountrypay.php](http://www.bfms.org/englishcountrypay.php)

*May 20 2024*

English Country Dance: 8:00 - 10:30 pm Mike Franch will lead the dancing to the music of the Geud Band of Baltimore! Location: The Church of the Nativity and Holy Comforter, 6112 York Rd, Baltimore, MD 21212. PLEASE NOTE: Dances are mask optional and proof of vaccination not required. Participants are welcome to bring snacks to share at the break. Please pay on-line at [Www.bfms.org/englishcountrypay.php](http://www.bfms.org/englishcountrypay.php)

## Saturday Contra Dance

American Square and Contra Dancing on the 2nd Saturday of the month running from 8:00 'till 10:30 pm, with a short break in the middle. Admission is: \$10 BFMS Members & Affiliates, \$15 non-members. Under 21 and full-time students with ID: Free.

Beginners, singles, couples, and families are welcome. No Experience necessary; you don't need to bring a partner. Church of the Nativity, 6112 York Rd, Baltimore 21212.  
<http://www.bfms.org/saturdayDance.php>

*May 11 2024*

8-10:30 PM Andrea Nettleman calling to Terpsichore ~ Elke Baker, fiddle, Liz Donaldson, piano, and Ralph Gordon, bass 7 pm Annual Membership Meeting, followed by the dance at 8, including ECD and contra Dance lesson: 7:45-8:00 (if meeting has ended) Members arriving by 7:10 attend dance for free. Otherwise, online payment only. Pre-payment is encouraged to reserve your spot. <http://bfms.org/secondsatpay.php> If you want to attend the meeting via Zoom, email [2ndsatabfms.org](mailto:2ndsatabfms.org) (replace at with @) by April 30. Admission is: \$10 BFMS members & affiliates, \$15 non-members. People under 21 and students with ID: free Potluck snacks at the break. Location: The Church of the Nativity and Holy Comforter, 6112 York Rd, Baltimore, MD 21212

## Special Events

### BFMS State of Society Meeting at 2nd Saturday Dance

*May 11 2024*

Annual meeting of the BFMS Membership will be held at the Church of the Nativity and Holy Comforter, 6112 York Rd, Baltimore, MD 21212 Members arriving by 7:10 attend dance for free. Otherwise, online payment only. You can prepay or register for free admission to reserve your spot. <http://bfms.org/secondsatpay.php> If you want to attend the meeting via Zoom, email [2ndsatabfms.org](mailto:2ndsatabfms.org) (replace at with @) by April 30. Click link above to see more general info on Annual Meeting. See Second Saturday dance event for information on about the dance that follows  
<http://www.bfms.org/sotsMeeting.php>

## Member Sponsored Events

<http://www.bfms.org/membersponsored>

### Balfolk dance (bal)

*May 11 2024*

1 pm - 4 pm at the Four Hour Day Lutherie, 4305 Harford Rd. 21214. Balfolk refers to traditional and contemporary folk

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dance from France and Brittany. It is easy to learn, easy to do, lots of fun. Among the types of dances we might do are: an dro, hanter dro, bourree, polka, mazurka and more! Some dances are partner dances, some are line dances, some are circle dances. ALL DANCES ARE TAUGHT. You don't need to have any prior experience with Balfolk to have a great time. Live music will be provided by Balfolk Balto: Ralph Dubayah on hurdy gurdy; Ted Porter on French bagpipes and mandolin; Mark Vidor on accordion. \$10 general admission  
<http://www.bfms.org/memberSponsored.php#bal>

## **House Concert with Jeff Warner**

*May 19 2024*

BFMS is excited to announce that Jeff Warner will be presenting a house concert on Sunday, May 19 at 3 pm. Doors open at 2:30. Ben Hobbs and Julie McDill have kindly offered to host this concert at their conveniently located home in Towson, MD . <http://www.jeffwarner.com/>. Jeff rarely performs in the Baltimore area, so it will be such a treat to hear Jeff in an intimate, well ventilated, house concert setting. Reservations are strongly encouraged because we expect a sellout . Please contact [specialevents@bfms.org](mailto:specialevents@bfms.org) or 410-979-8150 to reserve a seat and get directions. Contributions of snacks and beverages to share are welcome. Suggested admission by cash or check is \$20 for BFMS members and \$25 for non-members.  
<http://www.bfms.org/memberSponsored.php#BenJulieHouse>

## **BALFOLK MUSIC SESSION**

1 pm - 3 pm @ The 4 Hour Day Lutherie, 4305 Harford Rd. Baltimore MD 21214. Traditional and contemporary folk dance (Balfolk) music from France, Belgium and Brittany. This free guided jam session is for all musicians and all instruments. No prior experience in the genre is required. Mazurka, bourrée, an dro, hanter dro, valse, rond de St Vincent, and MORE! This is a MUSIC SESSION, not a dance. Voluntary donation for the Lutherie will be collected. Tunebooks will be available at the session. Also available in advance electronically in PDF format, contact Mark Vidor, 410-790-4072, [mbvidor@aol.com](mailto:mbvidor@aol.com)  
<http://www.bfms.org/memberSponsored.php#balfolk>

## **Album Release Concert Blue Jean Day**

3 pm, St. Margaret's Church Fellowship Hall, 1601 Pleasant Plains Road, Annapolis, MD 21409. Also performing will be Ernie Tucker on guitar, mandolin, banjo and bass; and Brock Holmes, guitar and piano. Reception following with CDs for sale. Free-will offering in support of Save the Children. For info call 410.972.6535. Visit [katecaldwell.org](http://katecaldwell.org)  
<http://www.bfms.org/memberSponsored.php#bluejeanday>