



Baltimore Folk Music Society

Member, Country Dance & Song Society

May 2012

Special Advanced Dance with Swallowtail

Wanted: 200 dancers to come dance Advanced Dances with **Swallowtail**
in air-conditioned comfort on a sprung floor

May 19th from 8:00 to 11:30 pm
at the Mobtown Ballroom
861 Washington Blvd. Baltimore MD 21207
(www.mobtownballroom.com).

Swallowtail are:

George Marshall

(calling, concertina & bodhrán)

Ron Grosslein (fiddle)

Timm Triplett (piano)

David Cantieni (saxophone, flute,
bombard, whistle, and feet)

Tim Van Egmond

(calling, hammered dulcimer)



Member price is \$12

Non-members \$16

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Out-of-towners seeking housing
with local dancers, contact

Ed VandenBosche

edvcih [at] yahoo.com

or 443-846-4748

www.bfms.org/swallowtail.php

BFMS Board Meeting*

Tuesday, May 1, 7:30pm.

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 @ bfms.org.

Catoctin Weekend*

June 15-17, 2012

Catoctin Mountain Park, Thurmont, MD

The Catoctin music and dance weekend getaway gives dancers and musicians of all ages a chance to attend a family-friendly weekend featuring folk music, crafts and dancing in a beautiful mountain setting. For information, e-mail Catoctin [at] BFMS [dot] org

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

Hosts Needed!

Charm City Rapper, which performs traditional English sword dancing, is hosting DART (Dancing America Rapper Tournament) weekend 2012. Sword dancing teams from throughout the country will perform/compete in public spaces around Baltimore during the weekend of October 26-28. We are looking for volunteers to house and transport out-of-town dancers & musicians that weekend.

Please email Miriam: murmhack [at] gmail.com for details about volunteering as a host.

Can't host but would like to volunteer in another capacity? Please email Kerry: ker5wil5-d [at] yahoo.com.

What? Never heard of rapper sword dancing?

Here is a sample: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Etf_YiOnYHc

BFMS Events

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.
Students \$6/\$4 for members.

May 2

Robbin Marcus calls to **Charlie and the Wombats -Ralph Barthine** (guitar), **Carl Friedman** (fiddle, flute), **Charlie Pilzer** (piano, accordion), and **Robin Wilson** (flute, concertina, saxophone).

May 9

April Blum calls to **Contranella - Megan Wobus Beller** (fiddle), **John Wobus** (piano), and **Charley Beller** (percussion, mandolin, and banjo). New Dancer Orientation at 7:30PM

May 16

Rickey Holt calls to **Taylor Among the Devils - Steve Hickman** (fiddle), **Marty Taylor** (concertina, penny-whistle), **Jonathan Jensen** (piano, ocarina).

May 23

Dave Colestock calls to the **Baltimore Open Band**
New Dancer Orientation at 7:30PM

May 30

Anna Rain calls to **Green Light Karma -David Knight** (fiddle), **Andrew Marcus** (accordion), and **Dave Wiesler** (piano, guitar).



BFMS Second Saturday Dance*

*Saturday, May 12th, 2012, 8-11 pm
Lesson & Style points at 7:30
St. Marks on the Hill, 1620 Reisterstown Road,
Pikesville, MD 21208*

Jesse Edgerton calls to **Devaney's Goat: Colin Lindsay** (fiddle), **Glen Loper** (mandolin), **Brendan Taaffe** (guitar and sundry), and **Stefan Amidon** (percussion).

Admission is: \$9 BFMS Members & Affiliates, \$13 non-members. Under 21 and full-time students with ID: \$4/\$6. Beginners, singles, couples, and families are welcome. No Experience necessary; you don't need to bring a partner. For more information call Becca at 301-606-7115 or email: nutritionexpeditions [at] yahoo.com

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
Admission: \$11/\$8 for BFMS members & affiliates
\$2 student discount

English Country Dancing – fun, flirty, elegant movement to live music. All dances are taught and walked through. For more info, contact Emily Aubrey at 410.433.4419 or engdance @ bfms.org

May 7

Michael Barraclough calling to **Emily Aubrey** (violin), **Robin Wilson** (flute and concertina) and **Judy Meyers** (piano). New Dancer session at 7:45.

May 14

Tom Spilsbury calling to **Becky Ross** (violin), **Marty Taylor** (recorder and concertina) and **Jonathan Jensen** (piano).

May 21

Carl Friedman calling to the **Geud Band of Baltimore**.

May 28

Sharon McKinley calling to **Jeff Steinberg** (violin), **Dave Crandall** (winds) and **Judy Meyers** (piano).



Fourth at Four StoryFolk*

*Sunday, May 27, 4pm
Towson Unitarian Universalist Church
1710 Dulaney Valley Road
about 1 mile north of Beltway exit 27*

Seasoned and fledgling storytellers meet to swap tales at 4 pm on the 4th Sunday of each month. This is an open, warm group of supportive storytellers, and listeners are always welcome. We also share potluck goodies at the break.

Please call Diane at 410-321-8419 or Barbara at 410-252-1438 so that we don't inadvertently lock you out.

Member-Sponsored Events

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. Across Charles St. from Museum Drive (just east of Johns Hopkins). Enter down outside stairs from side porch. Call to arrange handicapped access.



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



Dickey Mill Contra Dance ‡

*Sunday, May 20, 1:30 to 4:30 pm
ChileSwing Studio
4900 Wetheredsville Road, Baltimore, MD 21207*

Becca Denison calls to **Whirlitzer - Amy Hopkins** (fiddle), **Gerry Hemming** (guitar), **Lisa Roberts** (banjo, mandolin, fiddle), **Ed VandenBosche** (cello), **Mark Vidor** (piano), **Mike Duty** (concertina, mandolin) and friends.

\$10 per person. Max. \$20 per family. For more information, contact: Ed VandenBosche, edvcih [at] yahoo.com, 443-846-4748 or Diana Kerns, Dianakerns [at] yahoo.com, 410-467-4771



Norwegian Dance & Potluck‡

6807 Westmoreland Ave, Takoma Park, MD 20912

NO PARTY THIS MONTH—the “May” party was April 29.

Info: <http://MAND.fanitull.org> or Jenny, pi @ xecu.net, 301.371.4312.

Geud Band of Baltimore‡

Sunday, May TBA

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 [dot] net.



Singing for Everyone‡

*Sunday, May 6, 2012 from 7 to 9 PM
Homewood Friends Meeting House
3107 N. Charles St. Baltimore, MD 21218*

Everyone is welcome. Snacks are welcome, and will be confined to the Lunch room downstairs. You do not have to feed the parking meters. More info: scwarner @ hotmail.com



Uptown Concerts at The Cellar Stage‡

*Faith Community United Methodist Church
5313 Harford Rd. Baltimore, MD 21214*

Friday, May 4th
[Lucy Kaplansky](#), with [Beggars Ride](#) opening
Tickets \$20.00 + \$1 service fee ~ Showtime 8:00 pm

Friday, May 11th
[Garnet Rogers](#), with [Debra Cowan](#) opening
Tickets \$20.00 + \$1 service fee ~ Showtime 8:00 pm.

For tickets and information, call: 410-521-9099
www.uptownconcerts.com



Uptown Concerts at Baldwin's Station‡

*7618 Main Street * Sykesville, MD 21784*

Thursday, May 17th
[Stephanie Corby](#) & [David Glaser](#) — Tickets \$17.00;
Showtime 8 pm.

Sunday, May 20th
[Catie Curtis](#) — Tickets \$20.00 — Showtime 7:00 pm.

Thursday, May 31st
[DALA](#) — Tickets \$20.00; Showtime 8:00 pm.

For tickets and reservations, call: 410-795-1041
www.uptownconcerts.com

Other Local Contra & Square Dances

Annapolis Traditional Dance Society

Traditional American Contra and Square Dancing
Saturday, May 19, 7-10 pm. Lesson 6:30
Annapolis Friends Meeting Hall
351 Dubois Road, Annapolis MD

Rickey Holt travels from New Hampshire to call dances to the music of **Ryck Kaiser**, fiddle, and **Jill Smith**, piano, from the Lancaster, PA area.

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 [at] hotmail.com; or Ann Fallon, 410 268 0231, aefallon [at] verizon.net. www.contradancers.com/atds

Galesville Community Dance

Saturday, May 12
Galesville Memorial Hall —952 Galesville Road,
Galesville MD (Near Annapolis)

Our Annual May Celebration, complete with May Pole Dances! All ages welcome!

Live music—Traditional Appalachian Dance Tunes played by **Leah Weiss** (fiddle), **Gary Wright** (guitar) and Friends. Sit-ins welcome on fiddle, guitar, and clawhammer banjo. Dance squares, circles, longways sets & waltzes. **Janine Smith** calling the figures.

5:30 pm Doors Open
6:00 pm Potluck Dinner (Optional)
7:00 pm Family-Friendly Dancing
8:30-10 pm More Challenging Dancing

Adults \$10, Ages 5-17 \$5, Under 5: Free
<http://communitysquaredance.wordpress.com/>
More info: (301) 926-9142

Frederick Contra Dance

Trinity School
6040 New Design Rd, Frederick MD 21703

No Dance in May, Memorial Day Weekend.

Please check our website for details and directions:
www.contradancers.com Contact person is Boe Walker at 301.694.6794.

FSGW Sunday Night Squares & Contras

Sundays, 7:30-10:30 pm, Beginner Workshop 7pm
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

May 6—**Ken Gall** with **Dead Sea Squirrels** in the Bumper Car Pavilion.

May 13—**Jesse Edgerton** with **Devanney's Goat** in the Bumper Car Pavilion.

May 20—**G. Marshall and T. Van Egmond** with **Swallowtail** in the Spanish Ballroom.

May 27—**Jack Mitchell** calls to **Terpsichore** in the Spanish Ballroom.

Friday Night Dance

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

Weekly contra dances to live music. Admission \$9.
www.fridaynightdance.org
Facebook: [Friday Night Dance at Glen Echo Park](https://www.facebook.com/FridayNightDanceatGlenEchoPark)

May 4 — **Robbin Marcus** calls to **Honeysuckle Rose**.

May 11 — **Rickey Holt** with the fabulous **Glen Echo Open Band**. Free for dancers 17 and under.

May 18 — **George Marshall** and **Tim van Egmond** call to **Swallowtail**.

May 25 — **Mark Sherman** with **AP & the Banty Roosters**.

Shepherdstown Music and Dance Contra Dances

Saturday, May 5, 8 pm, Lesson 7:30 pm.
War Memorial Building.
German & King St. Shepherdstown, WV 25443

Robbin Schaffer Marcus with **Frog Hammer**. Wow! A 7 piece Ceilidh band!

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 www.smad.us/dance/.

Other Local Contra & English Dances

Lancaster Traditional Society Contra Dance

Saturday, May 19, 7-10 pm

Potluck Supper at 5:30, Lesson at 6:15

Lancaster County Park, pavilion 11

Devine Comedy with **DeLaura Padovan** calling.

\$8/\$5 students. Children 15 and younger FREE.

For information call Shane at (717) 538-5833 or visit our website at www.lancastercontra.org.

Locust Lane Contra Dance

2nd, 4th & 5th Fridays; 8-11pm; lesson 7:30

Christ the Savior Orthodox Church

5501 Locust Lane, Harrisburg PA 17109

May 11 - Donna Hunt calling to **Smash the Windows** with special guest **Ryck Kaiser**.

May 25 - Open callers night with music by Strings on Wings. Contact Terry if you would like to call!

Admission \$9/\$8 members. For more info or directions, call 717-770-1477 or e-mail dance [at] harrisburgcontra.org

Arden Contra Dance

Sunday, May 6, 2-5 pm; lesson at 1:30 pm

Arden Guild Hall

2126 The Highway, Arden, DE 19810

Bow Rockers with calling by **Greg Frock**.

\$10/\$9 for Arden Club members. For more info:

302-478-7257 or <http://ardenclub.org/gilds/contra-dances/>

Elverson Contra Dance

Saturday, May 5th, 7:30 pm. Lesson 7 pm.

Hillcrest Hall, located just off PA 724 between

Birdsboro and Gibraltar, PA— directions on website.

Karl Senseman calls to **Fingerpyx**.

\$9/\$8 for members. Info: www.elversoncontra.org

Contra Sonic

Tuesday, May 15, 7:00 PM to 10:30 PM

Glen Echo Park Ballroom Annex

It's high energy, it's loud, and it's glow stick fueled! This month: **Ted Hodapp** with **dJ improper**

\$8, \$6 students. More information at <http://fsgw.org/>

FSGW English Country Dancing

Wednesdays 8-10:30pm

Glen Echo Town Hall

6106 Harvard St. Glen Echo MD 20812

May 2—Michael Barraclough calls to the music of **David Giusti** (recorders), **Jeff Steinberg** (fiddle), and **Melissa Running**.

May 9 —Tom Spilsbury leads the dances while **Barbara Heitz** (flute), **Ralph Gordon** (cello), and **Liz Donaldson** (piano) play the tunes.

May 16 —Melissa Running calls to the playing of **David Knight** (fiddle), **Bruce Edwards** (bassoon and concertina), and **Liz Donaldson** (piano).

May 23 - Stephanie Smith leads the dances while **Karen Ashbrook** (hammered dulcimer and flute), **Paul Oorts** (mandolin), and **Liz Donaldson** (piano) play the tunes.

May 30 - Susan Taylor calls while **Colleen Reed** (flute), **Becky Ross** (fiddle), and **Francine Krasowska** (piano) play.

Washington Spring Ball

Saturday, May 19, 7:30-11 pm, Reception at 7

Cherry Hill Park Conference Center

9800 Cherry Hill Rd. College Park MD 20740

Music by **Andrea Hoag** (fiddle), **Julie King** (piano), and **Ralph Gordon** (cello).

Practice session 2:30 to 4:30 pm also at Cherry Hill Park Conference Center. Potluck dinner immediately after.

Admission by reservation. \$32 for members of FSGW, BFMS or CDSS. \$35 non-members. Students half price. Add \$6 for registrations after May 5th (students add \$3).

For registration form, ball program and other information:

<http://www.bronord.com/ball2012/>

English Country Dances For Fun

Sunday, May 13, 2:30-5:30 PM

Glen Echo Park, Spanish Ballroom Annex

This series concentrates on simpler, fun dances and is very suitable for new dancers and dancers of other dance forms. Experienced dancers are very welcome as good role models on the dance floor. All dances are taught, walked through, and called. The first 30 minutes are specifically geared to newcomers. Admission price is \$10.

For more information, tel 703-992-0752. or see

www.michaelbarraclough.com/ECD4FUN

Other Local Dances

Sunday Afternoon Waltz

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

*May 6 - Honeysuckle Rose**

May 20 – Swallowtail

Dance to a lively mix of folk waltzes with a few other couples dances, including Hambo, Schottische, Swing, Tango, and Polka. Admission is \$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.

* On May 6, Peggy Leiby and Ret Turner, our regular dancers from Mostly Waltz in Philly, teach a Latin Waltz workshop from 1 – 3 pm. See our web site for details. No partner required.

For info: go to www.WaltzTimeDances.org, or e-mail: info@WaltzTimeDances.org.

J. Patrick's Ceili

Second Sundays, 4:30-8:30

J. Patrick's Irish Pub

1371 Andre Street in Locust Point, Baltimore MD

Music by **J. Patrick's All-Stars**. **Marilyn Moore** calls the dances. Come out for a great afternoon of music and dance. Admission is still just \$5.

For more information, call 410-244-8613

Emerald Isle Club Monthly Ceili

Saturday, May 5, 7-11 pm

American Legion Post 183 Hall

2301 Putty Hill Ave.

Parkville, MD 21234

Irish music and dance. Music by **J. Patrick's All Stars**, and **Don Kaliher** calling. No experience necessary come and learn to do Irish Set and Ceili Dances.

Admission: Members \$15 Sr. \$10. Non-members \$18/\$10. Special discount for families and kids.

No dances in Jun, Jul, Aug, or September.

More info: <http://www.emeraldisleclub.com/ceili1.html>

Cajun/Zydeco Dances

Friday, May 4

Sammy Naquin & the Zydeco Whips

Join us for a Zydeco Dance Party at Blobs Park. The 30-minute Zydeco dance lesson given by Michael Hart and Sharon Schiliro begins at 8:30 pm with dancing until midnight. Admission is \$15. Blobs Park is located 8024 Max Blobs Park Road, Jessup, MD 20794.

Sunday, May 13

Squeeze Bayou

Join us for a Cajun and Zydeco dance in the Bumper Car Pavilion at Glen Echo Park. The 30-minute Cajun dance lesson given by Michael Hart and Sharon Schiliro begins at 3pm with dancing from 3:30 to 6pm. Admission \$15. No partner required.

Friday, May 18

Ruben Moreno & Creole Soul

Join us for a Zydeco Dance Party at American Legion Hall 136 in Greenbelt. The 30-minute Zydeco dance lesson given by Michael Hart and Sharon Schiliro begins at 8:30 pm with dancing until midnight. Admission is \$18. The American Legion Hall 136 is located at 6900 Greenbelt Road, Greenbelt, MD 20770.

For more information, call Michael Hart at 301.762.6730 or visit www.DancingBytheBayou.com

Thursday Blues Dance

Thursdays, May 3, 10, 17, 24, 31; 9-11 pm

45-minute beginner lesson at 8:15 pm

The "Back Room", Glen Echo Park

DJ Mike Marcotte and guests. Dance slow blues and swing to incredible blues music. Admission \$8 for lesson and dance. For more information, call Donna Barker at 301-634-2231, or go to www.CapitalBlues.org.

Sunday Blues Dance

Sunday, May 6, 8:30-11 pm

1½ hr workshop 7-8:30 pm

The "Back Room", Glen Echo Park

Dance slow blues and swing to **Memphis Gold**. Optional workshop taught by Donna Barker and Mike Marcotte. Cost: \$17 for workshop and dance, or \$12 for the dance only.

For more information, call Donna Barker at 301-634-2231 or go to www.DanceDC.net.

Dance Events & Concerts

Hot Society Sunday Afternoon Dance

Sunday, May 27, 3-6 pm

Spanish Ballroom, Glen Echo Park

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

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

Concerts & Coffeehouses

Perry Hall Folk Music Night

Saturday, May 5, 7:00-10:00 pm

Perry Hall United Methodist Church

9515 Belair Rd., Baltimore, MD 21236

Admission is free, but donations are welcome. This is an "open mike" event. Featured Performers: [Transcendent Third](#)

Info: <http://www.perryhallumc.org/FolkMusicNight/>
ndzimmer [at] comcast.net (Neil Zimmerman) 410-529-7176

Roots Café Singer-Songwriter Series

Sunday, May 6, at 5 pm

An Die Musik Live

409 Charles Street, Baltimore MD 21201

[Timothy Bracken](#) and [Michael Bresh](#) perform their own songs in the round with your singing host Geoffrey Himes. \$7 in advance, \$9 at door. (410) 385-2638

More info: www.rootscafe.org or www.andiemusiklive.com

Riverdance

June 1st (8pm) and 2nd (2pm and 8pm)

The Modell Performing Arts Center at The Lyric

110 W Mount Royal Ave. Baltimore MD 21201

The U.S. Tour of the original international phenomenon will play its final performances in Baltimore June 1st-2nd for 3 shows only! Tickets from \$49.

For tickets and more information, visit: www.modellpac.com

Music in the Woods

Sunday, May 12, 10am to 4pm

Oregon Ridge Nature Center

13555 Beaver Dam Road, Cockeysville, MD 21030

Amateur and professional musicians and dancers will gather at ORNC to demonstrate, educate, and entertain visitors with their instruments and talents. You can hear musicians play, children can build recyclable instruments, you can learn about instruments at our mini demo/workshops throughout the day and much more. It's all free, except for the food.

For more information, visit <http://www.oregonridge.org/musicwoods.php>

Temple Emanuel Studio of Cooperative Artists

Sunday, June 3, 4:00 p.m

Temple Emanuel

909 Berrymans Lane, Reisterstown, MD 21136

Ken and Brad Kolodner in concert. Come join us for an outdoor summer afternoon of acoustic talent and refreshments at the amphitheater behind Temple Emanuel. Old-time and originals on hammered dulcimer, clawhammer and gourd banjo, banjola, fiddles, mbira, vocals.

Bring your blankets or lawn chairs; refreshments and appetizers served. In case of rain, the concert will be held in the temple. \$15 at the door.

Info: 410-526-3676 or [Tescaconcerts \[at\] gmail.com](mailto:Tescaconcerts@gmail.com),
The TESCA Concert Series,
www.templeemanuelofbaltimore.org

Sugarloaf Coffeehouse

Saturday, May 19, 7 pm

Sugarloaf Congregation of Unitarian Universalists

16913 Germantown Road, Germantown, MD

[Greg Greenway](#) is a nationally known singer/songwriter from Boston whose performances have taken him from intimate coffeehouses to Carnegie Hall to the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame. Greg is a profoundly rich poet and musician who draws inspiration from his spirituality and desire for social change. He is a soulful and moving singer as well as a spirited entertainer.

Doors open at 7 PM, open mic at 7:15, concert starts at 8. Suggested donation \$15. Refreshments included!
Info: 301.977.8952, [coffeehouse \[at\] scuu \[dot\] org](mailto:coffeehouse@scuu.org), or
www.scuu.org/coffeehouse

Concerts & Performances

Carroll Café Second Fridays Coffeehouse

Friday, May 11, 7:30 pm

Seekers Church, 276 Carroll St. NW Takoma Park
Takoma Park Metro Station

A shimmering trio of female voices backed by flexible acoustic instrumentation, the **Blue Moon Cowgirls** (Karen Collins, Ann Porcella and Lynn Healey) blend front-porch directness with neon-lit sophistication as they sing about home and highways, heaven and honkytonks, heartbreak and hope. The **Harley String Band** opens.

Doors open at 7 pm, concert at 7:30. Admission \$15 at the door. www.carrollcafe.org

Orrin Star House Concert

Saturday May 5, 8:00pm.

Frederick, MD

'An Evening of Folk, Bluegrass & Humor.' \$15 donation.
For location/reservations contact MOLLOYK1 [at]
WESTAT.com or 301-695-6795. <http://orrinstar.com>

Focus Music Rockville

Unitarian Universalist Church of Rockville
100 Welsh Park Dr., Rockville, MD 20850

Tues, May 8— Singer-songwriter [Jim Photoglo](#)
Tues, May 22— [Lara Herscovitch](#) and John Jennings

Concerts begin at 8 pm. Tickets are \$18 at the door, \$15 in advance at www.focusmusic.org. For more information, contact David Spitzer at focusrockville at earthlink.net or 301-275-7459.

DC Labor Chorus Spring Concert

Saturday, May 12; Doors open 7:30, concert 8pm
First Trinity Lutheran Church, 309 E Street
(Judiciary Square metro) Washington, DC

DC Labor Chorus Spring Concert: "One Planet, One Future," with guest artists **Kinobe & The African Sensation**, and the community chorus **Echoes of Africa**. This concert features traditional music from a wide range of international sources, the American labor movement, and several African cultures.

Tickets are \$20, with half the proceeds going to the African Immigrant and Refugee Foundation. This is a family-friendly event, and all ages are welcome. For more information and tickets, see the Labor Heritage Foundation website, www.laborheritage.org, or call 202-639-6204.

Institute of Musical Traditions Concert Series

Rockville Weekly Shows

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

May 14: **Frank Solivan & Dirty Kitchen**—Straight-up Bluegrass \$18 advance; \$22 door; Students \$14/18.

May 21: **Jeffrey Broussard & The Creole Cowboys**—Creole Music & Dance. \$18/\$22; Students \$14/\$18.

Takoma Park Weekly Shows

Takoma Park Community Center Auditorium
7500 Maple Ave., Takoma Park, MD

May 9: **Molasses Creek**—High-energy acoustic, *Prairie Home Companion* award winners. \$15 in advance; \$18 door; Students \$12/\$15.

May 23: **Pierre Bensusan**—Master acoustic guitar. \$20 in advance, \$25 door. Students \$15/\$20.

May 30: **The Teetotallers**—Martin Hayes, Kevin Crawford, and John Doyle, Masters of Traditional Irish Music. Tickets \$20 advance/\$25 door; Students \$15/\$20.

INFO: call 301-754-3611 and visit www.imtfolk.org

Focus Music Alexandria

Sunday, May 20, 7 pm

Church of the Resurrection

2280 N. Beauregard St., Alexandria, VA 22311

Hungry for Music Fundraiser: Bob Dylan Tribute featuring [Chatham Street](#), [Timothy Bracken](#), Willie Barry and Rod Deacey.

Tickets are \$18 general, \$15 in advance at www.focusmusic.org. Info: 703-501-6061.



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Classes & Workshops

Scandinavian Dance Classes

*Tuesdays, May 1, 15, 22, 29; 7:30 - 9:30 pm
NIH, Bethesda, MD*

Beginning and advanced dancers welcome. Beginners learn Hambo, Schottish, Waltz, Zwiefacher, and other couple turning dances. Advanced dancers learn Springleik, Boda, Orsa, Föllinge, Finnskogspols, Nigpolska, Gammalvånster, Telespringar, and requests. Sometimes live music. Wear smooth-soled shoes for turning, not running shoes. \$5.

Info: Lisa Brooks at 240.731.1935, lisa [at] HamboDC.org, or www.HamboDC.org.

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

Potomac Valley Scottish Fiddle Club Fiddle Class

Sunday, May 20th, 2012, 2:30 pm to 8pm

Scottish tunes learned by ear, then some learned with music, followed by potluck and jam session. Teacher: Scottish Fiddle Champion **Elke Baker**.

For location, visit www.potomacvalleyscottishfiddle.org
For additional info, contact Rhonda [at] RhondaHotop [dot] com or 703.992.0752

Save the Date for SummerTunes 2012

Saturday, July 28 with fiddler Andrea Hoag and pianist Liz Donaldson. Come join us in Frederick, MD for another splendid day of making music together.

Information will be available soon at :
<http://www.contradancers.com/mmfac/>, or contact Liz Donaldson - liz [at] us [dot] net / (301) 986-1291, or Andrea Hoag -andrea [at] andreaHoag [dot] com / (301) 565-2777.

Echoes of Africa Community Chorus

*May 1-12
Silver Spring and Washington, DC*

Join the Echoes of Africa Community Chorus with Kinobe and The African Sensation (from Uganda).
www.KinobeMusic.com A project of Carpe Diem Arts in partnership with the African Immigrant and Refugee Foundation (AIRF) and the DC Labor Chorus.

Three rehearsals May 1, 8, and 12 with final performance on Saturday May 12 as part of the DC Labor Chorus concert. Inviting anyone (teens and adults) who loves to sing and can carry a tune. No experience necessary.
On-line registration at www.CarpeDiemArts.org

Two rehearsals: Tuesday May 1 and May 8, 7-9 pm at the Historic B&O Train Station in downtown Silver Spring.

Final rehearsal Friday, May 11 (6pm)
Performance Saturday, May 12 (8pm-singers arrive 6pm)
First Trinity Lutheran Church in DC.

Contact: Mkawasi Mcharo Hall: director [at] baloziproductions.com
Busy Graham: busygraham [at] gmail.com / 301-466-0183

If you can't sing with us, come to our concert on May 12!
Tickets available at www.LaborHeritage.com
Proceeds from concert will support AIRF's work in our schools and communities

