



# Baltimore Folk Music Society

Member, Country Dance & Song Society

August 2025

<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. every Wednesday 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>

### August 06 2025

April Blum calls to the music of Unbowed: Henry Koretzky (manolin), Mike Henry (guitar), Aaron Blouin (bass). Intro lesson at 7:30pm. Dance starts at 8pm at Lovely Lane Church. Online payment only: <https://bfms.org/contradancepay.php>

### August 13 2025

Carl Friedman calls to the music of Backstep Cindy: Sandy Hofferth (fiddle), Joe Langley (guitar), Fred Cherney (banjo), and Shirley Echols (bass). Intro lesson at 7:30pm. Dance starts at 8pm at Lovely Lane Church. Online payment only: <https://bfms.org/contradancepay.php>

### August 20 2025

Luke Schoppert & Stephan Rochefort call to the music of Waxwing: Tyler St. Clare (flute and feet) and Todd Shelar (guitar). Intro lesson at 7:30pm. Dance starts at 8pm at Lovely Lane Church. Online payment only: <https://bfms.org/contradancepay.php>

### August 27 2025

Sargon de Jesus calls to the music of Contre Temps: McGregor Yatsevitch (fiddle and mandolin), Andrew Tomlinson (flute and piccolo), & Mark Vidor (piano and accordion). 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 - Every Monday 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: free. Church of the Nativity, 6112 York Rd., 21212. Info: [engdance@bfms.org](mailto:engdance@bfms.org) <http://www.bfms.org/mondayDance.php>

### August 04 2025

Dance English Country-style with us this August Monday evening; 8 to 1030 pm. Kappy Laning calls and Janina O'Brien at the piano and accordion most of the time, with Steven

Epstein on clarinet and Ralph Barthine on guitar play the tunes that you will dance to! Easy parking, air conditioning, good snacks, in-tune baby grand! what's not to like?? <http://bfms.org/englishcountrypay.php>

### August 11 2025

English Country dancing at its coolest; 8 pm to 1030 pm. Come and join Sharon McKinley, caller; and Carl Friedman, Mark Vidor and Steven Epstein, musicians, as they provide all the dancing motivation you could need on this Monday night <http://bfms.org/englishcountrypay.php>

### August 18 2025

A rambunctious evening of English Country Dance, Monday, 8 - 1030 pm. April Blum calls to the playing of Emily Aubrey, violin; Robin Wilson, flute/concertina; and Ben Hobbs at the piano. Please register at: <http://bfms.org/englishcountrypay.php>

### August 25 2025

An elegant evening of English Country dance in a lovely hall with a great floor. Eight o'clock until half-past ten o'clock. Emily Aubrey calls and Marty Taylor, concertina, recorders and whistles; Mark Vidor on accordion; and Carl Friedman on piano will provide for all your dancing needs for the night!! please register at: <http://bfms.org/englishcountrypay.php>

## Saturday Contra Dance

American Square and Contra Dancing on the 2nd Saturday of the month running from 7:00 'till 9:30 pm or from 8:00 'till 10:30 (see dance listing), 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>

### August 09 2025

8-10:30pm Different location than usual, see below. Penelope Weinberger calling to Rhythmajigs - Patti Reum on flutes and whistles, Michael Giordano on fiddle and mandolin, and Jack Maus on piano Dance lesson: 6:30 Online payment only. Pre-payment is encouraged. <https://bfms.org/secondsatpay.php> Location: Lovely Lane Church, 2200 St. Paul Street, Baltimore, MD 21218 Admission is \$10 BFMS members & affiliates, \$15 non-members. People under 21 and students with ID: free Potluck snacks at the break.

## BFMS Song Swap

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

*August 12 2025*

We are going live and in person at the 4 Hour a Day Lutherie in Lauraville, 4305 Harford Rd, Baltimore, MD 21214 Once a month on the 2nd Tuesday, 7:30-9:30 p.m. We're delighted to be singing in person! Bring a favorite folk-genre song or two to share with our community of singers. Chorus songs or repeated refrains are encouraged. You can lead a song, sing along, hum, listen, or add some accompaniment. No mic, no pressure, no performance. Just singing together in a friendly, supportive space! Free (pass-the-hat goodwill donation welcome) REMEMBER: If you are sick, not feeling well, etc., please stay home.

*August 26 2025*

END OF SUMMER 4th Tuesday zoom song swap. 7:30. The zoom song swap is a place for folks to come together and share songs, community, and keep the live singing tradition thriving. While we have been getting together on zoom, the 4th Tuesday BFMS songswap has become transcontinental and international with participants from west, farther west, and north and northwest across the border. You can drop in on the zoom and meet (and hear / sing with) some nice folks we 're not likely to meet in person!  
<https://yorku.zoom.us/j/99950379772>

## Member Sponsored Events

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

### **Balfolk Music Session**

*August 31 2025*

1- 3 p.m. at the Four Hour Day Lutherie, 4305 Harford Road, Baltimore MD 21214. Balfolk refers to traditional and contemporary folk dance from France, Belgium, Brittany and a few other places. Dances include bourrée, mazurka, an dro, hanter dro and others. The music is interesting, rhythmic and lots of fun to play. Pretty easy, too! This will be a guided jam session. IT IS NOT A DANCE SESSION. All musicians and all instruments are welcome. No prior experience in the genre is necessary. Music will be provided at the session. Music is also available electronically in advance. For more information, contact Mark Vidor at [mbvidor@aol.com](mailto:mbvidor@aol.com).  
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