



Baltimore Folk Music Society

Member, Country Dance & Song Society

September 2025

<http://www.bfms.org>

888-646-BFMS

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>

September 03 2025

NO DANCE. End-of-summer one-week break. See you next week.

September 10 2025

Greg Frock calls to the music of Wild Wombats of the Chesapeake: Carl Friedman (fiddle), Robin Wilson (flute, concertina, sax), Ralph Barthine (guitar), Janina O'Brien (piano, accordion, whistle, bodhran). Intro lesson at 7:30pm. Dance starts at 8pm at Lovely Lane Church. Online payment only: <https://bfms.org/contradancepay.php>

September 17 2025

Anna Rain calls to the music of Petrichord: Bobby LaRose (keys, mandolin, bones), Colleen Holroyd (fiddle, feet), Sophie Chang (cello). Intro lesson at 7:30pm. Dance starts at 8pm at Lovely Lane Church. Online payment only: <https://bfms.org/contradancepay.php>

September 24 2025

Carl Levine calls to the music of Contra Rebels: Todd Clewell (fiddle), Barb Schmid (fiddle), Henry Koretzky (guitar). Intro lesson at 7:30pm. Dance starts at 8pm at Lovely Lane Church. Online payment only: <https://bfms.org/contradancepay.php>

October 01 2025

Melissa Chatham calls to the music of Cojiro: Mark Price (guitar), Jess Newman (fiddle), Ben Graubart (mandolin). 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 <http://www.bfms.org/mondayDance.php>

September 01 2025

Start September off right with dancing the evening away! English Country Dance 8 pm to 1030 pm. Sharon McKinley calling to music by Emily Aubrey, violin; Steven Epstein, clarinet; and Carl Friedman, piano. Please register beforehand: <http://bfms.org/englishcountrypay.php> Snacks are always welcome!

September 08 2025

English Country Dance with a live band! 8:00 pm until 10:30 pm! Christopher Field calls and the Merrie Bande plays! <http://bfms.org/englishcountrypay.php>

September 15 2025

Celebrate the Ides of September with English Country Dancing 8 pm until 1030 pm. Robin Wilson, flute/concertina; Carl Friedman, violin; and Janina O'Brien, piano, usually, will play the tunes called by Diane Schmit Please register beforehand at: <http://bfms.org/englishcountrypay.php>

September 22 2025

A lovely evening of pre-Assembly of English Country dancing from 8:00 to 10:30 pm April Blum will call and Francine Krasowska, piano; Becky Ross, violin; and Mark Vidor, accordion will provide rhythm, tune and harmony. Please register at: <http://bfms.org/englishcountrypay.php>

September 29 2025

A Farewell-to-Tom-Wright English Country Dance. Tom is moving back to Michigan in October but wants to play in Baltimore again before leaving. His sister Susan Brandt, flute; Jonathan Jensen, piano; and Caller Emily Aubrey will collaborate with Tom's mandolin! Please register beforehand: <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>

September 13 2025

8-10:30 PM Greg Frock calling to Terpsichore ~ Elke Baker (fiddle), Liz Donaldson (piano), and Ralph Gordon (bass) Dance lesson: 7:30 Online payment only. Pre-payment is encouraged. <http://bfms.org/secondsatpay.php> Location: The Church of the

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Nativity and Holy Comforter, 6112 York Rd, Baltimore, MD 21212 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

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

September 09 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.

Special Events

BFMS Autumn Assembly English Ball

September 27 2025

We invite you to a delightful evening of elegant dancing and exuberant music – it's the BFMS Autumn Assembly English Ball, to be held on Saturday, September 27 from 6:30 to 10 pm. Featuring the wonderful music of Trio Con Brio – Jonathan Jensen on piano (and pennywhistle and ocarina), Elke Baker on violin, and Paul Oorts on mandolin, banjo(!), concertina and more. Church of the Redeemer, 5603 North Charles Street, Baltimore, Maryland 21210. Details and ticket purchase at <https://www.bfms.org/autumn-assembly.php>
<http://www.bfms.org/playford.php>

Member Sponsored Events

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

BALFOLK MUSIC SESSION

September 21 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 Central France, 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.
<http://www.bfms.org/memberSponsored.php#bal>