



Baltimore Folk Music Society

Member, Country Dance & Song Society

May 2014

*Special Contra Dance with Swallowtail**

*Saturday, May 24, 2014, 7:30 PM to 11:00 PM Church of the Redeemer
5603 N. Charles St., Baltimore, MD 21210-2006*

Join us for a special contra dance with national touring band Swallowtail. Known for high-energy music and lots of unique and challenging dances, you will not want to miss this special event. **George Marshall** and **Tim Van Egmond** share in the calling.

Swallowtail is: **George Marshall** (bodhrán, and concertina), **Ron Grosslein** (fiddle, mandolin), **Timm Triplett** (piano), **David Cantieni** (flute, whistles, bombard), and **Tim Van Egmond** (hammered dulcimer).

\$15 BFMS members & affiliates - \$18 General Admission

Questions? E-mail specialevents@bfms.org or visit: <http://bfms.org/swallowtail.php>

29th Annual Spring Catoctin Mountain Music and Dance Weekend*

*Friday, June 13 – Sunday, June 15, 2014
Camp Misty Mount, Catoctin Mountain Park,
6602 Foxville Road, Thurmont, MD 21788*

The Baltimore Folk Music Society holds its 29th annual Spring Catoctin Mountain Music and Dance Weekend at Camp Misty Mount (near Camp David) on June 14-16. This is a participatory intergenerational weekend in a beautiful historic setting. Other than the chef, there is no paid staff. We keep costs low (\$89 for BFMS members who register early, less for kids, more if you register late) by each contributing about 2 work hours, usually in the kitchen... which is fun!

Campers lead workshops, play in the open band, walk in the woods, sit under trees and drink coffee, swim in the pool, roast s'mores, etc. Past activities have included contra dance, English country dance, longsword, blues, chorus songs, rounds, storytelling, international dancing, kids' crafts, children's dances, juggling, yoga, instrumental workshops, and more. We welcome first-timers, families, singles, couples, young and old. This year space is more limited, so register early! See the [Catoctin Weekend](#) page on the BFMS website.

Community Coffeehouse Concert Series

*Saturday, May 3rd, 2014, 7:30 pm to 10:30 pm
Babcock Presbyterian Church- 8240 Loch Raven
Boulevard, Towson, MD 21286*

Hickory Wind Reunion Concert—original members **Sam Morgan** (fiddle, mandolin, guitar, vocals); **Bob Shank** (five-string banjo, hammered dulcimer, vocals); **Mark Walbridge** (vocals, guitar, bouzouki); and **Glen McCarthy** (electric bass, vocals) have reunited and are touring once again. For this concert, Hickory Wind will play selections from its three vinyl recordings of the 1970s, the retrospective CD *No Fish Today*, and Shank's 2012 release *Don't Worry About the Moon*; along with traditional and original material that crosses and melds musical genres.

Tickets at the door: \$10 full time students with ID, \$15 Babcock and BFMS/FSGW members, \$18 general admission. Advance sales: \$13 members, \$16 general admission, go to <http://www.bfms.org/babcock.php>.

Info: contact Alan Byer, 410.296.5475 or 410.812.0972

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

May 7—**Dave Colestock** calls to Baltimore Open Band.

May 14—**Anna Rain** calls to **David Knight** (fiddle) and
Dave Wiesler (piano,guitar). New dancer orientation at
7:30 pm

May 21—**April Blum** calls to **Dance du Jour – Alexander
Mitchell** (fiddle), **Ralph Gordon** (bass), and **Liz Donaldson**
(piano).

May 28—**Tavi Merrill** calls to **Charm City Gents – Brad
Kolodner** (banjo), **Sean McComiskey** (button accordion),
Patrick McAvinue (fiddle), and **Alex Lacquement** (bass).
New dancer orientation at 7:30 pm.

BFMS Second Saturday Contra and Squares And Family Dance*

*Saturday, May 10, 5-11 pm
Saint Mark's on-the-Hill Parish Hall
1620 Reisterstown Rd, Pikesville 21208*

Susan Taylor calls to music by **Andrea Hoag** (fiddle),
Mark Glickman (piano) and **Susan Brandt** (flute).

5:00-6:00 pm **Family Dance**
6:30-7:30 pm **Potluck**
7:35 -7:55 pm **Intro to contra dancing workshop**
8:00 -11:00 pm **Evening contra dance**

Family dance: \$ 4 per member and \$6 per non-members
Evening dance: \$9 BFMS Members & Affiliates, \$13 non-
members. Under 21 and full-time students with ID: \$4/\$6.

For more information about the family dance call Janet at
443-360-8998 or email Janet at janetlhenry@verizon.net
For the evening dance call Becca at 301-606-7115 or email
Becca at satdance@bfms.org.

<http://bfms.org/familyDance.php>
<http://bfms.org/saturdayDance.php>

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>

May 5— New Dancers Workshop (free) at 7:45 PM
Tom Spilsbury calls to **Dave Crandall** (flute, sax), **Paul
Oorts** (accordion, strings) and **Liz Donaldson** (piano).

May 12— **Carl Friedman** calls to **Tina Chancey** (violin,
etc.), **Robin Wilson** (flute, concertina), and **Jonathan Jen-
sen** (piano, etc.).

May 19— **Jenny Beer** calls to **Becky Ross** (violin), **Michelle
Dunn** (flute, oboe), and **Carl Friedman** (piano)

May 26— **April Blum** calls to **Jeff Steinberg** (violin),
Marty Taylor (winds, concertina), **Judy Meyers** (piano)

Fourth at Four StoryFolk*

*Sunday, May 25, 4 pm
Towson Unitarian Universalist Church
1710 Dulaney Valley Road, about 1 mile north of
Beltway exit 27- Dulaney Valley Road.*

This is an open, warm group of supportive storytellers, and
listeners are always welcome. We also share potluck good-
ies at the break. If you're interested in attending, please call
Diane at 410-321-8419 or Barbara at 410-252-1438 so that
we don't inadvertently lock you out.

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



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great art.

More BFMS and Member-Sponsored Events

BFMS Board Meeting*

*Tuesday, May 6, 7:30 pm
Deale, MD*

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.

The Friendly Coffeehouse*

*Friday, May 9, 8-11 pm
Calvary Baptist Church, lower level
120 W. Pennsylvania Ave. Towson, MD*

Join us for the monthly open mic every 2nd Friday co-hosted by Meg Banter and Rick Millman. Welcome to Musicians, Poets, Comics, Storytellers and more. Please also bring a small contribution for the snacks if you wish to partake (and perhaps a little something for our featured performer).

For info writerbayou@gmail.com or check our "BFMS Open Mike: The Friendly Coffeehouse" Facebook page

Member-Sponsored Events

Perry Hall Folk Music Night‡

*Saturday, May 17, 7-10 pm
Perry Hall United Methodist Church
9515 Belair Rd., Baltimore, MD 21236*

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

<http://home.comcast.net/~ndzimmer/folkmusic/>

Info: [ndzimmer \[at\] comcast.net](mailto:ndzimmer[at]comcast.net) (Neil Zimmerman)
410-529-7176

Baltimore Square Dance‡

*Saturday, May 3, 8-11 pm
Mobtown Ballroom -
861 Washington Blvd, Baltimore, MD 21230*

Dance traditional squares to live Old-Time music from the legendary **Paul Brown and The Brown Mountain Entertainers (John Schwab, Marshall Wilborn, and Rusty Neithammer)** with **Kim Forry** calling.. \$10/\$7 with student ID. No experience or partner necessary.

Info: Brad Kolodner at bradkolodner@gmail.com or 410-404-9270 or visit our Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/baltimoresquaredance>

Baltimore Old-Time Jam‡

*Tuesdays, May 13 and 27, 7:00-11:00 pm
Liam Flynn's Ale House
22 W North Ave, Baltimore, MD 21201*

Slow jam at 7:00, fast jam at 8:00. Sometimes square dancing. Free and open to all. Listeners welcome!

Info: e-mail bradkolodner@gmail.com or join the "Baltimore Old Time Jam" Facebook group.

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@verizon.net.

Singing for Everyone‡

*Sunday, May 4, 7-9 pm
1100 Hollins LANE (not avenue)
Baltimore, 21209 (off Falls Rd. near Robert E Lee Park)*

We will gather for 'Singing for Everyone' at the home of May Cathie and Andre Papantonio, phone 410-337-0791

For info, contact Susan Warner: [scwarner \[at\] hotmail.com](mailto:scwarner[at]hotmail.com)

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](mailto:agreene@all-systems.com), Dave: [DGSg @ all-systems.com](mailto:DGSg@all-systems.com)

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](mailto:pkreiss@toadmail.com). Enter down outside stairs from side porch. Call to arrange handicapped access.

Member-Sponsored Events & Local Contra Dances

BFMS Open Sing‡

Tuesday, May 13, 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, May 7, 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. Find [Baltimore Singers Club](#) on Facebook, visit baltimoresingersclub.blogspot.com Or email Severn Savage: severn.savage[at]att.net

Norwegian Dance & Potluck‡

Sunday, May 4, potluck 11:30am, dancing 1pm

6807 Westmoreland Ave, Takoma Park, MD 20912

Norwegian-style house party. This month it's part of the annual Spring Springar Spree weekend, which is listed under Workshops & Special Events elsewhere in this issue. Mesmerizing live music by foremost-in-US Loretta Kelley on the unique Hardanger fiddle (w/sympathetic strings under the bowed strings--see HFAA.org). 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 Loretta & Tony's phone just in case: 301.270.4925.
Info/dirs: <http://MAND.fanitull.org> or Jenny,
pi(at)xecu(dot)net, 301.371.4312.

Workshop – Contemporary Folk Dance Music from France and Brittany‡

Sunday, May 11, 2014 2 p.m. – 4 p.m.

258 Stanmore Road, Baltimore MD 21212

We had so much fun the first time, that we're doing it again! A two hour hands-on workshop on 'Boombal' and 'Fest Noz' music from the contemporary folk dance scene in France, Brittany, Belgium and the Netherlands. The music is based on traditional forms – some tunes are traditional and some tunes are contemporary compositions. They are relatively easy to sight-read and pretty straightforward for those of you who play by ear! Bourrees, scottishes, mazurkas, waltzes, an dro, hanter dro, and more! A tunebook with 40 great tunes will be available at the workshop for \$3 (cost of photocopying)

This event is in a member's home and unfortunately is not handicapped accessible. Contact: Mark Vidor, 410-790-4072 or mbvidor@aol.com

HOUSE CONCERT – The Stringrays

Thursday, May 1, 2014, 7:30 pm

*Home of Bob Brown and Sindee Ernst
Owings Mills, 21117*

Treat yourself to the dynamic playing of the **Stringrays** in an intimate setting. This fantastic band brings together an inimitable trio of musicians with a shared interest in playing and exploring great tunes. Between the fiddling of **Rodney Miller**, guitar playing of **Max Newman** and bass/banjo playing of **Stuart Kenney**, their music spans the playful and the sublime, the raucous and the tender, the funky and the old-school. Not to be missed!

\$12.00 members (BFMS) \$15.00 non-members

Space is limited to please RSVP and get directions from: Sindeeg@aol.com

Benefit House Concert‡

Saturday, May 31, 7pm

2415 Diana Road, Baltimore MD

Please join us for a benefit concert (all proceeds to be donated to American Red Cross) at the home of Abbie and Gary Kenneth Bass. The concert will feature four local performers: **Christopher James** (recording artist and multi-instrumentalist with music filled with passion, energy and hope and steeped in the Blues tradition), **Leah Ulansey** and **Marlin Ballard** (dynamic duo with music from folk to the baroque and maybe some juggling), **Mark Huslage** (gentle singer of songs), and **Gary Kenneth Bass** (almost famous folksinger). Food and drink and singing along welcome!

\$5 suggested donation. Because of limited seating, reservations only. RSVP to mrmallow3@yahoo.com.

Other Local Contra & Square Dances

Annapolis Traditional Dance Society

Traditional American Contra and Square Dancing
Saturday, May 17, 7-10 pm; Intro lesson 6:30
Annapolis Friends Meeting Hall
351 Dubois Road, Annapolis MD

Sugar Beat (**Elke Baker**, fiddle; **Susan Brandt**, flute; **Mark Glickman**, piano) will provide sweet music for contra and square dances. **Greg Frock** calling.

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

Frederick Contra Dance

Saturday, May 24, 8-11 pm. Lesson at 7pm.
Trinity School (near the Harry Grove Stadium)
6040 New Design Rd, Frederick MD 21703

Dave Colestock will call to local favorites **Melodious Thunk** featuring **Andrea Hoag**, fiddle; **Karen Ashbrook**, hammer dulcimer, flute, pennywhistle; and **Paul Oorts**, accordion and all fretted instruments. Come join us for great music and dancing.

Admission \$10, Students \$5.
Contact person is Boe Walker at 301.694.6794.
Please check our website for details and directions:
<http://contradancers.com/mmfac>

Silver Spring Contra Dance

Thursday, May 8, 7-10pm (Workshop 7-7:30)
Silver Spring Civic Building
One Veterans Plaza, Silver Spring MD

April Blum calling to **Trio Con Brio** (**Elke Baker**, **Paul Oorts**, and **Jonathan Jensen**)

\$10 general admission / \$8 FSGW and BFMS members and Revels/ \$5 students and those without income. **Free to first timers!** Plenty of parking in public lot across the street, 801 Ellsworth Dr. Mark your calendars for the 2nd Thursday of every month!

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

*BFMS Event † Member-sponsored event

Galesville Community Square Dance

Saturday, May 3
Galesville Memorial Hall—952 Galesville Road
Galesville MD (Near Annapolis)

Celebrate Spring, our Annual May Day Dance, complete with Maypole Dances!

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, Longway Sets & Waltzes
Janine Smith calling the figures and makes it a PARTY!
ALL ages welcome!

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

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

Shepherdstown Contra Dance

Saturday, May 3, 8pm
War Memorial Building
Corner of German & King St., Shepherdstown, WV

Rodney Miller, **Max Newman**, **Stuart Kenney**, aka **The Stringrays**, and **Will Mentor** calling. Need we say more?

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 info contact Joanie at (304) 263-2531 or visit www.smad.us.

Lancaster Traditional Society Contra Dance

Saturday, May 17, 7-10 pm, workshop 6:15
Lancaster County Central Park
Williamson Road, Pavilion 11

Dr Twamley's Audio Snakes with **Mike Rovine** (fiddle), **Wes Steenson** (mandolin), **Jill Smith** (piano). **Bruce Suchenski** calling.

\$9/\$6. Children 15 and under free. For information call Karen at (717) 951-4317 or visit our website at www.lancastercontra.org.

www.bfms.org 888-646-BFMS

Other Local Contra & Square Dances

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 \$13, \$10 for members, \$5 ages 17 and under.

www.fsgw.org

May 4—Will Mentor with Stingrays

May 11—Perry Shafran with The Ivory Boys

May 18—Joseph Pimentel with Goldcrest

May 25—George and Tim with Swallowtail

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.

May 2 -- Will Mentor calls to Stingrays

May 9 -- Wendy Graham with the Glen Echo Open Band. (Bumper Car Pavilion)

May 16 -- Joseph Pimentel calls to Goldcrest

May 23 -- George Marshall and Tim Van Egmond with Swallowtail

May 30—Susan Taylor with Raise the Roof

Info: 301-634-2222 (Glen Echo Park Partnership for Arts and Culture) or www.fridaynightdance.org

Hot Society Sunday Afternoon Dance

*Sundays, May 4 and 18, 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, rumba, swing and more in the Spanish Ballroom. No partner or experience necessary. **Samba** (5/4) or **Foxtrot** (5/18) lesson at 3:00. \$14.

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

FSGW English Country Dancing

Wednesdays 8-10:30pm

Glen Echo Town Hall

6106 Harvard St. Glen Echo MD 20812

May 7 - Joseph Pimentel calls while Paul Oorts (mandolin and accordion), Susan Brandt (flute), and Liz Donaldson (piano) play.

May 14 - Melissa Running leads the dances while Colleen Reed (flute), Bruce Edwards (bassoon and concertina), and Francine Krasowska (piano) make the music.

May 21 - Stephanie Smith calls while Becky Ross (fiddle), Barbara Heitz (flute), and Melissa Running (piano) play the tunes.

May 28 - Anna Rain leads the dancing to the playing of David Knight (fiddle), Ralph Gordon (cello), and Liz Donaldson (piano).

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

Annapolis English Country Dance

Saturday, May 31, 7-10 pm; Intro lesson 6:30

Annapolis Friends Meeting Hall

351 Dubois Road, Annapolis MD

April Blum will teach and lead dances to music by **Raise the Roof** (Mat Clark - Fiddle/Mandolin; Judi Stellar - hammered dulcimer; Kathy Talvitie – 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. www.contradancers.com/atds

Other Local Dances

Great American Square Dance Revival

Saturday, June 7, 8:30-11:30pm

Saint Stephen's Church, 1525 Newton St. NW,
Washington DC, near the Columbia Heights Metro

FSGW's DC Square Dance Collective presents another kickin' traditional Appalachian Square Dance! **Graham and the Virginia Crackers** (Graham DeZarn and Steve Hickman - fiddle, Josh Bearman - guitar, and Ralph Gordon - bass) crank out some raucous dance tunes, while the "Golden Voice of the North" - **Tony Parkes**, from the Boston area, calls the figures.

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: www.dcsquaredance.com

Emerald Isle Club Irish Ceili Dance

Saturday, May 3, 7:00 – 11:00 pm

American Legion Post #183 Hall
2301 Putty Hill Avenue, Parkville, MD 21234

Music by **The J. Patrick's All Star Ceili Band**, with very special guest **Frank Claudy**, on the flute/tin whistle. **Marilyn Moore** will call the dances & teach the workshop. Come and learn to do Irish Set and Ceili Dances. No experience necessary!

Families & Children of all ages welcome.
Regular admission: Adults \$18, children over age 7 - \$9
(Family = 2 adults and all children under age 18 - \$36).
Admission includes Soda, Beer, Chips, Pretzels and Snacks.
Join the Club and receive discounted admissions.
Please bring a snack or dessert to share.

For directions and more information go to
www.emeraldisleclub.com

Sunday Afternoon Waltz

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

Sunday, May 25– Swallowtail

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 www.WaltzTimeDances.org, or e-mail: info [at] WaltzTimeDances.org.

Strauss Ball with Olde Vienna

Saturday, May 3, 9pm-midnight
Spanish Ballroom, Glen Echo Park

Waltz Time presents the 31st Annual Evening with Strauss Waltz Ball - an evening of Viennese Waltz in the beautiful Spanish Ballroom. This special benefit dance for Glen Echo Park includes a Viennese Waltz lesson from 8 - 9 pm followed by a superbly prepared program of classical waltzes from 9 pm - midnight in the style of Olde Vienna with musicians **Dave Wiesler**, **Alexander Mitchell**, **Ralph Gordon**, **Chelle Fulk**, and **Barbara Heitz**. Dancers will enjoy refreshments, dance cards, a Grand March and are encouraged to wear formal attire. In keeping with this 30-year tradition, the wonderfully restored Dentzel Carousel will be open for dancers to enjoy rides (\$1.25 each) until 10:30 p.m.

Admission is \$20. No partner required.

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



Concerts

Roots Café Singer-Songwriter Series

Sunday, May 11, at 5 pm

An Die Musik Live

409 Charles Street, Baltimore MD 21201

[Sam Nitzberg](#) and [Matt Douglass](#) perform their own songs in the round with your singing host [Geoffrey Himes](#).

\$9 in advance, \$12 at door. (410) 385-2638

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

Hammered Dulcimer Masters Showcase

Sat May 10th, 8 p.m. to 10 p.m.

Creative Alliance at the Patterson

3134 Eastern Ave. Baltimore MD 21224

Three masters of the hammered dulcimer, all from Maryland, come together for a night Old-Time, Celtic and Bluegrass music. Internationally-renowned hammered dulcimer wizard [Ken Kolodner](#) will be joined by his son [Brad Kolodner](#), a rising star in the old-time banjo world. The Kolodners will host the show. Innovative multi-instrumentalist [Walt Michael](#) has been performing for nearly 40 years and has had a tremendous influence in the revival of the hammered dulcimer and is the founder of the Common Ground on the Hill Festival. Specializing in Celtic music, [Maggie Sansone](#) is one of the most well-known and respected hammered dulcimer players in the country. Besides dulcimers expect fiddles, guitar, banjos, bass and pipes!

Tickets: \$25, \$20 for Creative Alliance members.
info@creativealliance.org 410-276-1651

333 Coffeehouse

Friday, May 16, 7:30-10 pm

Annapolis Friends Meeting

351 DuBois Rd, Annapolis, MD 21401

Mixing equal parts of pathos and humor throughout her songs, [ellen cherry](#) is mysterious and powerful on stage and her banter gives audiences a peek into a whimsical, curious mind. She seamlessly fuses her love of History, Poetry, and Literature with the Usual Suspects of Love, Loss, and Despair, with a powerful, commanding voice and skill on both guitar and piano.

\$12 (\$10 for seniors 65+, students, and members of ATDS, FSGW, BFMS or CDSS. Info: Tom Rhoads & Amy Ksir, 333coffeehouse@gmail.com, (443)-333-9613, or fsgw.org/333.

Magical Strings Concert

Sunday May 4, 2-3:30 pm

Hampton Mansion, 535 Hampton Lane, Towson

[Magical Strings](#) is a popular West Coast group featuring Celtic harp and hammered dulcimer, as well as whistle, harmonium, and melodeon.. Over the last 35 years they've made 20+ recordings and toured worldwide. Their newest recording, Longing For Ireland, is a soulful journey from the enchantment of Ireland's landscape to the haunting spaces above the sea. This concert will be at the beautiful and historic Hampton Mansion near Towson, part of the Hampton National Historic Site.

Admission \$10, reservations to info@historichampton.org
More info at <http://historichampton.org/> or 410-823-1309 x251

Uptown Concerts at The Cellar Stage

Friday, May 16, 8pm

Faith Community United Methodist Church

5315 Harford Rd. Baltimore, MD 21214

Whether singing their own gentle love songs and vivid ballads, telling tall tales or offering treasures from America's vast traditional song bag, a [Mustard's Retreat](#) show always feels like it's designed for the people who have come to see them that day. *Opening: Kipyn Martin*.. Tickets \$21.00

For more information on the artists and their music, see our website: www.uptownconcerts.com/cellar-stage/shows/

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

Uptown Concerts at Baldwin's Station

7618 Main Street * Sykesville, MD 21784

Thursday, May 8—Boston based, Philadelphia raised guitarist [Vance Gilbert](#) is among the quintessential musical poets of his time. Tickets \$20 ~ Show 8 pm

Thursday, May 29—[David Wilcox](#) known for his open tuning acoustic guitar, sawed-off capos, storytelling wit, and insightful metaphors. Tickets \$25 ~ 8:00 pm

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

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

Concerts and More

The Stray Birds

Friday, May 2, 8:00 PM

BlackRock Center for the Arts

12901 Town Commons Drive, Germantown, MD

Drawing upon the richness of American folk music traditions, the signature power of [The Stray Birds](#) sound lies in outstanding songwriting that soars in three-part harmony. The Stray Birds are a trio of captivating chemistry and sensitive musicality. Their recently released self-titled release was named one of the [top ten Folk/Americana albums of 2012](#) by NPR

Tickets \$22 at www.blackrockcenter.org

Focus Music Alexandria

Sunday, May 18, 7 pm

Convergence (Note: NEW LOCATION)

1801 North Quaker Lane, Alexandria, VA 22302

Focus Music presents folk-pop trio [Brother Sun](#) (Greg Greenway, Joe Jencks, Pat Wictor)

Tickets: \$20/\$18 for advance sales and members
Focus Info: 703-380-3151, Herb Cooper-Levy, venue host
http://www.focusmusic.org/concerts_alexandria.php

Focus Music Rockville

Ted's 355 Diner

895 Rockville Pike, Rockville MD 20852

Tuesday, May 20: Danny Schmidt and Carrie Elkin

Tickets: \$18/\$15 for advance sales and members

Focus Info: 301-275-7459, David Spitzer, Venue Host
Available at: <http://www.focusmusic.org>

Susquehanna Folk Music Society

Sunday, May 18, 7:30 PM

Abbey Bar, Appalachian Brewing Company

50 N. Cameron St Harrisburg, PA

Americana music with **Kevin Neidig**, **Henry Koretzky**, **Ken Gehret** and **Bruce Campbell**: Four of the finest folk musicians in the Harrisburg area., back by popular acclaim. This is a sit-down concert in a listening room environment.

\$18 General Admission, discounts for students and SFMS Members. **Age 21+ only**—ABC's rule for evening shows
www.susquehannafolk.org

Institute of Musical Traditions

IMT Rockville: St. Mark Presbyterian Church

10701 Old Georgetown Rd., Rockville, MD

Mon May 19—[Ken and Brad Kolodner in Concert](#)

Tickets \$15 adv/\$18 door. Students \$12/\$15

IMT Washington DC: Seekers Church

276 Carroll St. NW., Washington, DC 20012

Sat May 17—[Mid-Atlantic Song Contest Winners](#) Show

Case. Tickets \$15 advance, \$18at door. SAW members & students w/id \$12/\$15

Sat May 24—[Robin Bullock in Concert](#)

Tickets \$18 adv/\$22 door. Students \$14/\$18

All concerts at 7:30 pm

More information at imtfolk.org

Washington Revels/Carpe Diem Community Sing

Wednesday, May 21, 6:30-8:00pm

Revels Community Room

531 Dale Drive, Silver Spring, MD

6:30-7:15 -- Children's Songs, Dances & Play

7:15-8:00pm – Song theme: Traveling & Reveling

No admission charged. Free will offering.

Bring a song to share if you wish.

More info: busygraham@gmail.com / 301-466-0183

www.CarpeDiemArts.org

www.RevelsDC.org

Classes & Special Events

Irish Social Dance Lessons

Mondays, 7:30-8:30 pm

*First and St. Stephen's United Church of Christ
6915 York Road, Baltimore MD 21212*

Irish Social Dance lessons (ceili, sets and two- and three-hand dances) meet on Monday nights, 7:30-8:30 p.m., at 1st and St. Stephen's Church on York Road just north of Regester. Beginners and experienced welcome! No partner necessary. Taught by Marilyn Moore.

Information: Marcia Ferguson marciaferg@comcast.net

Scandinavian Dance Classes

Tuesdays, May 13, 20, 27, 7:30 - 9:30pm

NIH, Bethesda, MD

Party on May 20, with Swedish teachers and musicians. Beginning and advanced dancers welcome. Beginners learn Hambo, Schottis, Waltz, Zwiefacher, and other couple turning dances. Advanced dancers learn Boda, Orsa, Förlinge, Finnskogspols, Viksta, Gammalvånster, Telespringar, Valdressingar, 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 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.

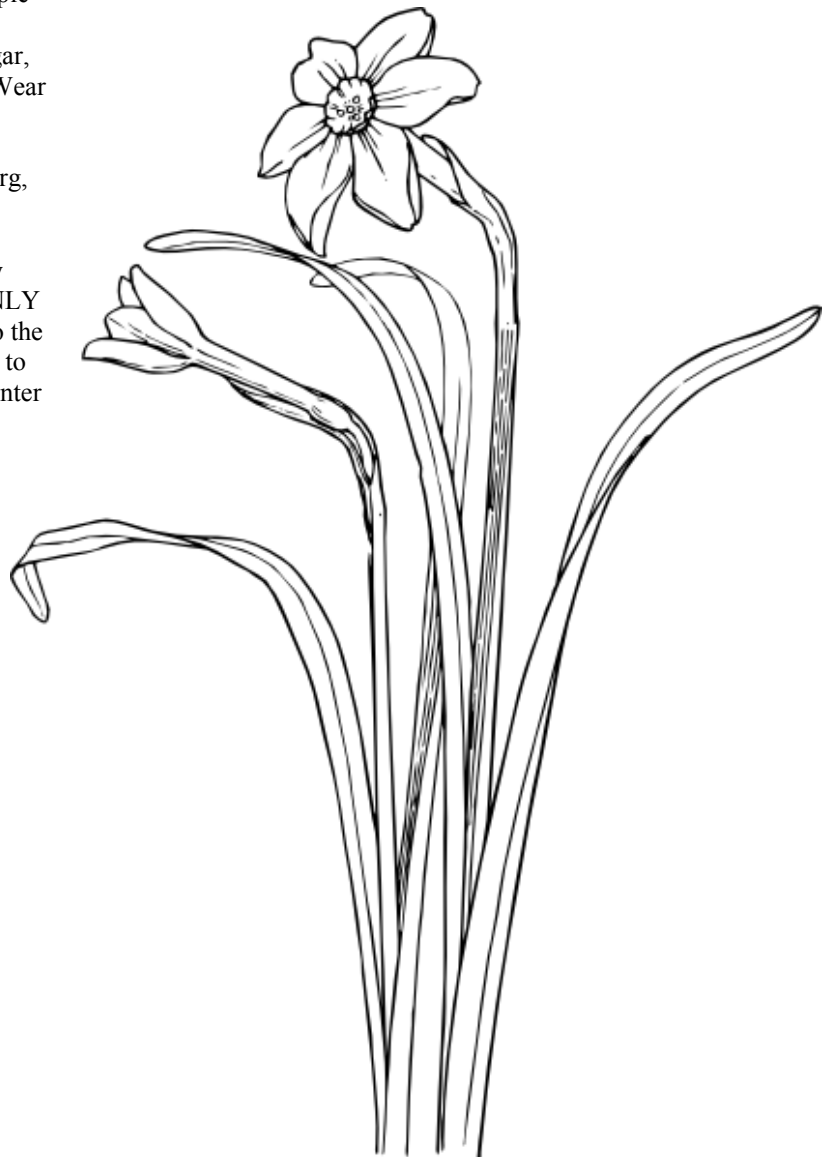
Norwegian Spring Springar Spree

Takoma Park, MD

May 2-4, 2014

Part-timers, beginners, singles/couples, and watchers/listeners all very welcome. Dance parties with a variety of springars and other Scandinavian dances. Dance classes featuring HALLINGSPRINGAR (springar from Hallingdal)--includes Hambo-like turn and optional lift. Also SETESDALGANGAR--easy mixer dance with hot tunes. Hardanger fiddle lessons/classes (res req'd). Hardanger embroidery workshops. And a cozy potluck. Expert Norwegian & US staff. Springar music is in 3 like waltz, but with distinctive regional lilt in the rhythm. The magical Hardanger fiddle has sympathetic strings under the bowed strings (see HFAA.org).

Locations, schedule, comfortable prices, and other info: <http://MAND.fanitull.org> or Jenny, pi@xecu.net, 301.371.4312.



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