



# Baltimore Folk Music Society

Member, Contry Dance & Song Society

February 2019

<http://www.bfms.org>

888-646-BFMS

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## FREE FRIENDS FEBRUARY

Do you have a friend you've been trying to convince to try contra dancing? For February only, bring them with you to the [Wednesday night dance](#) and you BOTH will get in free! Take advantage of this special 2-for-1 deal today! You don't have to be a member, but your friend must be new to the Wednesday night dance. As always, newcomers will receive a coupon for a second dance free.

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### Special Events

#### Catoctin Music and Dance Weekend

June 14 2019

34th Annual BFMS Spring Catoctin Mountain Music and Dance Weekend Friday June 14 to Sunday, June 16, 2019 Join dancers and musicians of all ages for a participatory intergenerational weekend of dancing, singing, workshops, jamming, crafts, hiking and more in a beautiful mountain setting from \$89 per person. Info & online registration available. Ticket sales are open.

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

#### 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 \$9 for members, \$13 for nonmembers. Under 21 and full-time students with IDs: \$4 members, \$6 non-members. All dances are taught and walked through beforehand.

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

February 06 2019

Caroline Barnes calls to Tea and Honey -Rebecca Weiss (fiddle), Colleen Holroyd (fiddle), Sophie Chang (cello), and Bobby LaRose (piano).

February 13 2019

Ann Fallon calls to the Lovely Lane String Band - Brenna Hogan (fiddle), Shane Knudsen (fiddle), John Sauer (guitar), Jay White (banjo), and Artie Abrams (bass).

February 20 2019

Kappy Laning calls to The Baltimore Open Band. Special Event: The Charm City Rapper Sword Dancing team will be performing during the break.

February 27 2019

Susan Taylor calls to Devine Comedy - Steve Hickman (fiddle), Marty Taylor (pennywhistle, concertina), and John Devine (guitar).

#### Monday English Dance

English Country Dance - Mondays 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. Admission \$9 Members, \$13 Non-members, \$6 student member discount, \$6 student non-members. Church of the Nativity, 6112 York Rd., 21212. Info: [engdance@bfms.org](mailto:engdance@bfms.org) <http://www.bfms.org/mondayDance.php>

February 04 2019

Free New Dancer Orientation at 7:45 Tom Spilsbury calls to the music of Elke Baker (violin), Robin Wilson (flute and concertina), and Jonathan Jensen (piano and more)

February 11 2019

Sharon McKinley calls to music by Carl Friedman (violin), Dave Crandall (clarinet), and Judy Meyers (piano)

February 18 2019

Ann Fallon will be the caller; music provided by Emily Aubrey (violin), Barbara Gorin (strings), and Janina O'Brien (piano and more)

February 25 2019

It's our annual Tropical Staycation! Wear your beach clothes! The caller will be Emily Aubrey; music will be provided by Jeff Steinberg (violin), Steve Epstein (clarinet), and Ben Hobbs (piano)

#### Saturday Contra Dance

American Square and Contra Dancing on the 2nd Saturday of the month running from 8:00 'till 11:00 pm, with a short break in the middle. Admission is: \$9 BFMS Members & Affiliates, \$13 non-members. Under 21 and full-time students with ID: \$4 members, \$6 non-members.

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>

February 09 2019

Brian Hamshar calls to The Organic Family Band: Jakob Raitzyk (fiddle), Michael Raitzyk (guitar), Rebekah Gellar (fiddle), and Judith Gellar (French horn). We have a workshop that begins at

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7:30 and the dance begins at 8:00. Bring a snack and bring a friend. For more information go to our website at [bfms.org](http://bfms.org) or email Sara at [satdance@bfms.org](mailto:satdance@bfms.org).

## 2nd Tuesday Song Swap

2nd Tuesday Song Swap - 7:30 PM to 9:30 PM Some of us love singing together so much, we're starting another song swap in second location to compliment our popular 4th Tuesday event at the Four Hour Day Lutherie. We hope you can come to both! Like our other song swap at the Four Hour Day Lutherie, this is not an open mic. It's a place for folks to come together and share songs, community, and keep the live singing tradition thriving. We take turns around the circle. There is NO requirement to sing. If you are shy about leading a song, don't fret...we sing many songs with choruses and your voice will blend in with everyone else's. Please come prepared with a few songs ahead of time (bring lyrics if you need 'em). At the Church of the Nativity and Holy Comforter. The space is a lovely, accessible, with padded chairs and good acoustics. (It's free, but small cash donation is appreciated by our generous hosts)  
<http://www.bfms.org/songswap.php>

*February 12 2019*

Song Swap - 7:30 to 9:30 PM at the Church of the Nativity and Holy Comforter

## Member Sponsored Events

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

### Balfolk Dance!

*February 09 2019*

The 4 Hour Day Lutherie, 4305 Harford Rd. Baltimore MD 21214 3 PM to 5 PM Come to our second Balfolk! Folk dances from France and Brittany - bourree, an dro, laride, valse, schottische, hanter dro and MORE! All dances taught; no experience required. It's EASY and FUN! Live music by Slyte of Hand (Jon Kmetz - French bagpipes, viola; Michele McCann - hurdy gurdy, chalumeau, percussion; Mark Vidor - accordeon) \$10 donation suggested. For more information contact Mark Vidor at [mbvidor@aol.com](mailto:mbvidor@aol.com)  
<http://www.bfms.org/memberSponsored.php#balfolkdance>

### Washington Family Dance

*February 10 2019*

Glen Echo Park Ballroom Annex, to the left of the main ballroom entrance in Glen Echo, Maryland. This month, its Janine Smith calling to Otter Loop. For more information go to [www.fsgw.org](http://www.fsgw.org) and click on "Family Dance", or eMail [dance@fsgw.org](mailto:dance@fsgw.org). Info. on future FSGW Family Dances are at <https://www.fsgw.org/family-dance>.  
<http://www.bfms.org/memberSponsored.php#fsgwfamily>

### Laurie Lewis

*February 13 2019*

RSVP to [bradkolodner@gmail.com](mailto:bradkolodner@gmail.com) if you would like to reserve a spot. Brad's House (831 West 33rd Street, Baltimore, MD) Cost: \$15-\$20 suggested donation Feel free to bring food and drink to share!  
<http://www.bfms.org/memberSponsored.php#bradshouse>

### Ballroom Dancing

Every Friday, 8:00 pm (waltz, rumba, tango and more) - in the ROTC building on the Johns Hopkins University campus.

<http://www.bfms.org/memberSponsored.php#ballroom>

### CircleSinging

Fourth Wednesday - Stony Run Friends Meeting house 5116 N. Charles St. 7 to 9 PM. CircleSinging is a community oriented, spontaneous, improvisational singing experience, a little bit like a "drum circle" for singers. We take inspiration from methods developed by Bobby McFerrin and his collaborators. A CircleSong leader will create parts on-the-spot, and lead the group in making beautiful, inspired, goofy, or glorious music. Starting with a basic structure, we can variations. Sing beautiful harmonies gain self-confidence, and delight in what we can create together. This is a "mistake-free" zone, for all levels of singers - we sing for the sheer fun of it!  
<http://www.bfms.org/memberSponsored.php#circle>

### Sacred Harp Sing

Sing Sacred Harp the third Sunday of each month at 4:00 PM in the schoolhouse beside the Community Building at 17801 Meetinghouse Road, Sandy Spring, Maryland; pot-luck follows at 6:00. Books are available. Contact Dave Greene at [eneergdivad@gmail.com](mailto:eneergdivad@gmail.com) or call 301-570-3283.  
<http://www.bfms.org/memberSponsored.php#sacredharp>

## Other Folk Events

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

### Annapolis Traditional Dance Society

For over 25 years, the Annapolis Traditional Dance Society has brought monthly contra dances and other traditional dance events to the Annapolis area. Our contra dances are held the third Saturday of each month. Our English country dances are usually held on fifth Saturdays. Dances run from 7 to 10 PM. All events (unless otherwise noted) are held at the Annapolis Friends Meeting House, at 351 DuBois Rd in Annapolis. Parking is free. The hall is climate controlled and cooled with extra fans in summer.  
<http://www.contradancers.com/atds/>

*February 16 2019 - Dance*

Annapolis Contra Dance  
Abigail Hobart calls to MetroGnomes: Bob Garber (clarinet), McGregor Yatsevich (fiddle, mandolin) and Mark Vidor (piano). No experience or partner required. Snacks to share at the break are welcome. \$10 with discounts for seniors, students, families, ATDS members. Annapolis Friends Meeting Hall, 351 DuBois Road, Annapolis, MD 21401. Info: Jan Scopel, 443-540-0867, [janscope@hotmail.com](mailto:janscope@hotmail.com), or Charlotte Featherstone, 203-247-3964, [charlotte.feathers@gmail.com](mailto:charlotte.feathers@gmail.com); [www.contradancers.com/atd](http://www.contradancers.com/atd)

### Focus Music

Presenting and Supporting Folk & Acoustic Music in the Washington, DC Area An intimate, "up-close" music experience, the opportunity to discover high-quality new artists, personal contact with performers, a community of music-loving friends and time to socialize.  
<http://www.focusmusic.org/>

*February 10 2019 - Folk Music*

Meghan Cary and Scott Wolfson  
2200 Baltimore Road Rockville, MD 20851. Tickets are \$18 in advance at [www.focusmusic.org/buy-tickets](http://www.focusmusic.org/buy-tickets) and for members, \$20 at the door.

*February 17 2019 - Folk Music*

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Winners of the Middle Atlantic Song Contest  
617 South Frederick Avenue Gaithersburg, MD 20877. (This is the inaugural show at this location!). Tickets are \$18 in advance at <http://www.focusmusic.org/buy-tickets> and for FocusMusic and FSGW members, \$20 at the door.

## **Frederick Maryland Contra Dance**

Trinity Episcopal School 6040 New Design Rd, Frederick, MD 21703 Admission is \$10 general, \$5 students, \$5 age 12 and under. Dances are the fourth Saturday of each month, from 8 to 11 p.m. A free beginners' workshop starts at 7:15 p.m. Snacks to share at the break are welcome. To ask questions in real time, talking to a real person, call Boe Walker at 301-694-6794  
<http://contradancers.com/mmfac/>

## *February 23 2019 - Dance*

Frederick Maryland Contra Dance  
Greg Frock will call to Sugar Beat, a local favorite, featuring Susan Brandt, flute; Elke Baker, fiddle; Marc Glickman, piano.

## **Friday Night Dance at Glen Echo**

Dances are held every Friday evening in historic Spanish Ballroom or Bumper Car Pavilion at Glen Echo Park, 7300 MacArthur Boulevard, Glen Echo, Maryland 20812. Admission is \$10.00 for adults, \$5.00 for 17 and under. Open Band nights are free for 17 and under. Contra dance is a type of folk dance for all ages and a social dance in the most literal sense. It is a great way to meet lots of new people and potentially make new friends. You do not need to bring a partner.  
<http://www.fridaynightdance.org>

## *February 01 2019 - Dance*

Friday Night Dance at Glen Echo  
TBA calls to Big Celtic Fun with Tim Smith (piano, flute, tin whistle, English concertina), Eileen Regan (fiddle), Drew Pilant (percussion)

## *February 08 2019 - Dance*

Friday Night Dance at Glen Echo  
Anne Lutun calls to the Glen Echo Open Band.

## *February 15 2019 - Dance*

Friday Night Dance at Glen Echo  
Hilton Baxter calls to Taylor Among the Devils with Marty Taylor (whistles and concertina), Steve Hickman (fiddle and harmonica), Jonathan Jensen (piano and winds)

## *February 22 2019 - Dance*

Friday Night Dance at Glen Echo  
Andrea Nettleton calls to Not Enough Fiddles with Charlie Pilzer (piano), Owen Morrison (guitar), Allan Carr (bass), Jane Rothfield (fiddle), Abraham Joyner-Meyers (fiddle), Rebecca Weiss (fiddle), Colleen Holroyd (fiddle), Vince O'Donnell (fiddle), Carol Bittenson (fiddle), Linden Bittenson (fiddle)

## **FSGW English Country Dance**

English Country Dance every Wednesday from 8:00 - 10:30 p.m. at the Glen Echo Town Hall, located at 6106 Harvard Ave, just off MacArthur Blvd a few blocks west of Glen Echo Park, upstairs from the Glen Echo Post Office. We dance every Wednesday, all year, unless that day is a major holiday. Admission: FSGW, BFMS, ATDS & CDSS members: \$10; Non-members: \$12; Students: \$5  
<http://www.fsgw.org>

## *February 06 2019 - Dance*

FSGW English Country Dance  
Tom Spilsbury calls the dances to the music of Jeff Steinberg (fiddle), Dan Gillespie (recorders and pipes), and Melissa Running (piano)

## *February 13 2019 - Dance*

FSGW English Country Dance  
Anna Rain calls the dances to the music of Tina Chancey (fiddle), Barbara Heitz (flute), and Ralph Gordon (cello)

## *February 20 2019 - Dance*

FSGW English Country Dance  
Melissa Running calls the dances while Becky Ross (fiddle), Carrie Rose (flute), and Neil Epstein (piano) play

## *February 27 2019 - Dance*

FSGW English Country Dance  
Ann Fallon calls to the playing of Colleen Reed (flute), Owen Morrison (guitar), and Francine Krasowska (piano)

## **Greenbelt Community Center**

Dance Studio; 15 Crescent Rd. - Greenbelt, MD (in case of inclement weather, call 301-474-0646 or 301-397-2208) 8:30 - 10:45 pm, Dance teaching until approximately 9:00 or 9:15 then request dancing until 10:45. Newcomers and beginners are welcome, Admission: \$7.00 (except as otherwise noted) (Students & Seniors: Half Price - first-timers are free) Co-Sponsored by Folklore Society of Greater Washington (FSGW)  
<https://www.greenbeltmd.gov/Home/Components/FacilityDirectory/FacilityDirectory/6/511>

## *February 01 2019 - Folk Music*

International Folk Dancing  
Macedonian Folk Dances - with Larry Weiner & Linda Mansdorf & Traditional Macedonian Music (Vocals, Gaida, Kaval, Tambura & Tupan) with Luk Na Glavata & Friends. Admission \$12 - Seniors and Students half price

## *February 08 2019 - Folk Music*

International Folk Dancing  
Ben Hole

## *February 15 2019 - Folk Music*

International Folk Dancing  
Michael Gelman

## *February 22 2019 - Folk Music*

International Folk Dancing  
John Robinson

## **Perry Hall Folk Music Night**

Perry Hall United Methodist Church 9515 Belair Rd., Baltimore, MD 21236 7:00-10:00 PM Admission is free, but donations are welcome. This is an "open mike" event with a featured performer. Check our website for details.  
ndzimmer@comcast.net (Neil Zimmerman) [phone]  
410-529-7176  
<http://folkmusicnight.weebly.com/>

## *February 23 2019 - Folk Music*

Perry Hall Folk Music Night  
The featured performers will be The Tool Shed.  
<https://thetoolshed.bandcamp.com/>

## **Roots Cafe**

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409 North Charles Street Second Floor Baltimore, Maryland  
21201 888.221.6170 - 410.385.2638  
<http://www.rootscafe.org/>

*February 17 2019 - Folk Music*

**JAMES VON LENZ & GEOFFREY HIMES**

Two of Maryland's top songwriters unveil the fruits of a busy winter of songwriting in a special concert featuring violinist Willem Elsevier at An Die Musik Live 5 pm, \$10 in advance, \$13 at door 409 Charles Street, (410) 385-2638 More info: [www.rootscafe.org](http://www.rootscafe.org) or [www.andiemusiklive.com](http://www.andiemusiklive.com)

## **Susquehanna Folk Music Society**

The Susquehanna Folk Music Society (SFMS), based in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, is a nonprofit education and arts organization dedicated to the advancement, promotion and preservation of traditional, contemporary and international folk music and folk culture. Every year, from September through June, Susquehanna Folk presents dozens of events for the cultural enrichment of South Central Pennsylvania. We present artists from around the globe as well as hometown performers. Many of our events have a "hands-on" component that strengthens the connections between music and folks. In addition, SFMS brings folk culture into local schools each year through Arts in Education residencies.  
<http://www.sfmsfolk.org>

*February 02 2019 - Folk Music*

Tracy Grammer

7:30 PM, \$24, \$10 Students Renowned for her springwater-clear alto voice, thoughtful lyrics, and on-stage stories. Fort Hunter Centennial Barn. 5300 N. Front Street; Harrisburg, PA 17110

*February 10 2019 - Folk Music*

Charm City Junction

7:30 PM, \$24, \$10 Students From dance-inducing Old Time rhythms and foot stomping Irish melodies to hard-driving Bluegrass. Appalachian Brewing Company 50 N. Cameron St; Harrisburg, PA

## **Timonium United Methodist Church**

2300 Pot Spring Road, Timonium, MD 21093 No alcohol permitted in this building. For info reach Joyce: 410-521-9099 cell 443-540-0226  
<http://www.uptownconcerts.com/cellar-stage-timonium>

*February 08 2019 - Concert*

ANNE HILLS and DAVID ROTH

Tickets TBA~ Showtime 8:00

## **Waltz Time**

Waltz Time is an all-volunteer group of dancers who have produced the twice-monthly waltzes at Glen Echo Park since 1995. The group has donated all net proceeds to the renovation of the Spanish Ballroom and the Bumper Car Pavilion, and to help continue Park programs. All of the Sunday afternoon waltz dances are held at Glen Echo Park, 7300 MacArthur Blvd., Glen Echo, MD 20812 in the Spanish Ballroom or occasionally in the Bumper Car Pavilion. Dance to a lively mix of folk waltzes with a few other couples dances, including Tango, Hambo, Swing, and Polka. Admission is \$13. 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 or advanced move. Dancing follows until 6 p.m.  
<http://www.waltztimedances.org/>

*February 03 2019 - Dance*

Waltztime

RHAPSODY with Marty Taylor (winds, concertina), Alexander Mitchell (fiddle, mandolin), Dave Wiesler (piano, guitar), Ralph Gordon (bass)

*February 17 2019 - Dance*

Waltztime

TIM BALL TRIO with Tim Ball (fiddle), Paul Oorts (button accordion, mandolin, banjo, guitar), Ralph Gordon (bass)