



The Folk Club of Reston/Herndon

Preserving the traditions of Folk Music, Folk Lore, and Gentle Folk Ways

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December 10 – Gaye Adegbalola

Her bluesy songs of experience address social issues, and often find humor in our daily struggles.
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December 3 Showcase – Jim Nagle

by Jim



My typical approach of using a showcase to introduce songs which I and my bandmates have not performed before is going to be replaced by what I'll call the Once Again With Feeling tour.

As of this morning's writing of the promo, I have the willing participation of most but not quite all of my close family of friends. I can't say enough about how highly I regard and appreciate both the musical talent of these friends but even more the friendship of this ensemble, which I consider my second family. I'll mention that I've now been playing with Sherry and Valeria for approximately seven years. We recently got together with our previous bassist Annie Jones who was up from FL for a visit. Annie was my bassist in Difficult Run String Band. I was so pleased, being in obvious need of a bass player and later a fiddler to be able to bring Annie and Jenny to the Sisters.

Difficult Run Sting Band alums Annie and Jenny Martin (fiddle), regretfully unable to participate in this showcase, helped me keep my cool in moments of frustration and are great friends who I could unhesitatingly suggest to Sherry and Valeria for 'sisterhood.' Upon meeting and hearing them play, it was a no brainer for S & V to invite them into our family. When Annie moved away, we were then quite fortunate to be able to recruit Niels Jonker (FC house bass player) to join us, being in obvious need of a bassist. Niels adds a great insight for arrangements as well as a great rhythmic foundation to the group, not to mention being a great host for practices

So, this will be a Stewart Sisters showcase minus the SS originals. I have the songs selected, and they are songs I have performed previously but am hoping to improve upon from those earlier performances. I'll add that while these are mostly songs I've done,

conversely, they are mostly songs the group as a whole have not done. I'm always grateful for the group's open-minded willingness to play songs that, in several cases, require them to learn something new.

Look for covers of songs from Plant/Krauss, Gordon Lightfoot, Tim O'Brien, Rowan/Douglas, and Eric Clapton to be in the mix.



of Reston & Herndon

Proudly Presents

Gaye Adegbalola



TUESDAY, DEC. 10TH, 2019

Show starts at 7:15 p.m.

\$12 (\$11 MEMBERS)

Requested Donation

AMPHORA'S DINER DELUXE-HERNDON

1151 Elden St - Herndon, VA 20170

Purchase tickets in advance Tuesday evenings at the Folk Club's open mic at The Amphora Diner or by email at dahurdsr@cs.com

Tickets may also be purchased at the door dependent on availability

"...one of the most inventive, creative songwriters anywhere in contemporary blues today." -*Blues Music Magazine*

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Gaye Adegbalola made her first Folk Club appearance in 1987 when she was a member of the blues trio Saffire - The Uppity Blues Women.

In the early 70s Gaye began her teaching career and was an educator in the Fredericksburg City Public School system for 18 years. She was honored as Virginia State Teacher of the Year in 1982. Throughout her teaching career, she directed the Harambee 360° Experimental Theater. She was able to creatively use performance as a tool to assist black youth in gaining confidence as they struggled with identity issues during the spread of integration.

During her teaching career she moonlighted as a musician. By maintaining the blues legacy, she now sees herself as a contemporary griot – keeping the history alive,

delivering messages of empowerment, ministering to the heartbroken, and finding joy in the mundane. As a founding member of Saffire – The Uppity Blues Women (1984-2009), she became a full-time performer.

She has toured nationally and internationally, and has won numerous awards including the prestigious Blues Music Award (formerly the W.C. Handy Award – the Grammy of the blues industry). As of 2019, Gaye has 16 recordings in national distribution, including 6 on her own label, Hot Toddy Music. She composes, sings and plays acoustic guitar, slide guitar, and harmonica. Join us as we welcome Gaye Adegbalola back to The Folk Club of Reston/Herndon.

<http://www.adegbalola.com/>

UPCOMING CONCERTS:

House of Hamill 1/21/2020

Cold Chocolate 2/18/2020

MUSICAL NOTES



Folk Club Holiday Party – December 17th

It's time for our annual holiday party. Round robin format - one song per performer or group. Free dessert and no \$1 donation. Gift wrap your gently used CDs (for the raffle), don your Xmas attire, and come to the Amphora to join all of your friends for holiday merriment.

Special Holidays Scheduling

This year Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve fall on a Tuesday, so our open mics will instead be held on Monday, December 23rd and Monday, December 30th.

Fifth Tuesday on a Monday

December 31st is a 5th Tuesday, and December 30th is a 5th Monday. So when we meet on Monday, December 30th it will be an unplugged night with no sound system support. Happy holidays!

Focus Music

- Big Wide Grin, Sun Dec 22, 7 PM, Island Pride Oasis, 617 S Frederick Ave, Gaithersburg, MD 20877
Go to www.focusmusic.org for more information.

World Folk Music Association (WFMA)

Go to www.wfma.net/index.htm for more information.

Institute of Musical Traditions

- Robin Bullock, Ken Kolodner & Elke Baker, Mon Dec 9, 7:30 pm, St Mark Presbyterian Church, 10701 Old Georgetown Rd, Rockville, MD 20852
Go to www.imtfolk.org for more information.

The Folklore Society of Greater Washington (FSGW)

Go to fsgw.org for more information.

"FOLKIES" BORN THIS MONTH:

12/3/1944 – Ralph McTell
12/7/1942 – Harry Chapin
12/7/1949 – Tom Waits
12/8/1922 – Jean Ritchie
12/9/1943 – Rick Danko
12/19/1940 – Phil Ochs
12/19/1945 – John McEuen
12/20/1957 – Billy Bragg
12/23/1941 – Tim Hardin
12/25/1946 – Jimmy Buffett
12/30/1937 – John Hartford
12/30/1937 – Paul Stookey
12/30/1938 – Mike Auldridge
12/31/1943 – John Denver

MUSICAL QUOTE

"Electric guitars are an abomination. Whoever heard of an electric violin? An electric cello? Or for that matter an electric singer?" - Andres Segovia

MEMBER PERFORMANCES & INFO

T.M Hanna tmhanna.net

Bill Davis bil-davis@comcast.net

Chris Anderson - chris-anderson.info

- Sat Dec 14, 6:30 – 9:30 PM, at Lake Anne Coffee-house & Wine Bar, Reston, VA, with Niels Jonker
- Check online calendar for upcoming performances. Also producing shows for the Harried Americans Band.

Ron Goad MisterGoad@aol.com

- 1st, 2nd, 4th & 5th Wednesdays 7:00 to ? PM, SAW Variety Showcases at Café Montmartre, Reston, VA.
cafemontmartre.com

Harley String Band (Jim Clark, Jim Johnson and Steve Coffee) www.harleystringband.com

The Aloha Boys (with Glen Hirabayashi)
www.alohaboys.com

Jan Gillies www.jangilliesmusic.com

- 3rd Friday, 8 to 10 p.m., Jan & Neil host an open mic at Lost River Grill/TK Lounge in Lost City, WV

Hickory Grove (Bev & Jack Osburn)
www.hickoryg.com

Stevie Wade Potter, acoustic musician
www.steviewademusic.com

The Stewart Sisters (with Valeria Stewart, Sherry Stewart, Jim Nagle, Niels Jonker)
www.thestewartsisters.com

- Fri, Dec 13, 8 PM at Cowork Cafe Clarendon, 2719 Wilson Blvd, Arlington, VA

J. Michael Henry MIKELHENRY@live.com

Song Garden (Tom Bodine & Kathleen Huber)
www.songgardenmusic.org

Steven Cutts

ThePrimeCutts.com - streaming and downloads



Meets Tuesday nights, 7:15 p.m. at Amphora Diner Deluxe
1151 Elden Street, Herndon, VA

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FOLK CLUB FORMAT

Most Tuesday nights the Folk Club is an open-mike format with a signup board. Each performer has 12 minutes, which includes setup time.

SHOWCASE PERFORMANCES

On the 2nd Tuesday of the month (usually), we feature a "Showcase" of a Folk Club member in a 25-minute performance. To be in the Showcase you must: 1) be a Folk Club member who has not done a showcase in the last 6 months; 2) fill out a lottery slip and place it in the "drawing bucket"; 3) Win the drawing on the night of the current month's showcase; and 4) be prepared to be featured in the next newsletter!

NEWSLETTER PUBLICATION

Folk Club members are encouraged to submit performance calendars, classified ads, articles, reviews, and other music-related items for the newsletter. Items will be published on the basis of music-related interest, timeliness, and available space. Send your input to newsletter editor Ben Hamblin at newsletter@restonherndonfolkclub.com.

RESERVE YOUR CONCERT SEATS IN ADVANCE

Donations can be made in advance for Guest Artist concert performances on Tuesdays at the Folk Club or by prepaid mail. Contact Dave Hurd, 110 Devil's Backbone Overlook, Stephenson, VA 22656, (540) 722-0146, or dahurdsr@cs.com.

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FOLK CLUB MEMBERSHIP

If you enjoy the music and company, become a member! The cost is nominal, just \$15 per year. Along with the opportunity to participate in Showcase drawings, you get a \$1 discount on the recommended donation for guest artist concerts (up to 2 donations per show). Join up on Folk Club Tuesdays, or call a board member for info.

KEEP IN TOUCH

There are several ways you can keep in touch, or find out more about The Club: **Website:** www.restonherndonfolkclub.com

Facebook: Search for "The Folk Club of Reston Herndon"

General Info: Contact Sue Schier at (703) 435-2402

CLASSIFIEDS

FOR SALE

- Yamaha MOX-8 full size keyboard, weighted keys (nice!) with computer compatibility; includes stand, bench, cover, and case; also a Roland KC-150 4-channel mixing keyboard amplifier, \$2,000. 2 external Fender main speakers, \$100 each. Vintage Guild D-55 guitar with case, both in excellent condition; must see and play to appreciate, \$1,500. Call Dave Law: 703-200-1733.

WANTED

- Your old guitar strings! The Second Strings Project has distributed over 10,000 sets to the world's most depressed regions. Send complete sets only to Second Strings, P.O. Box 234, Nederland, CO 80466.

LESSONS

- Private guitar lessons in Alexandria. Flexible learning techniques including reading, ear and applied music theory. Contact Eric Forthman: ecfmn@verizon.net; 703-400-7264.

- Fiddle/violin/viola lessons - adults only, in Reston. Perhaps you play another instrument and want to add fiddling to your skill set, or you want to have more fun with the instrument you know and love. Contact Chelle Fulk at 301-366-5579 or info@musicbyanthem.com.

- 5-string banjo. Scruggs and melodic. In Haymarket. Monday or Tuesday. \$25/hr. Age 8 and up. Contact Bruce Gair at wbgair@gmail.com. First lesson free as a sample. No obligation.