



The Folk Club of Reston/Herndon

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

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This Month's Concert: June 20 – Adam Hurt & Beth Williams Hartness

Elegantly innovative clawhammer banjo and fiddle paired with Beth's signature fingerstyle guitar
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June 13 Showcase – Mary Shapiro

by Mary, edited by Dan Grove



“Peace through Music” is how I sign my emails, cards, and letters. It’s my mission, whether I’m coordinating volunteers for Bluemont Concerts, supporting individuals at A Place to Be (music therapy in Middleburg), hosting a house concert, leading music at a church, or choosing which songs to share at an open mic. I believe in the Power of Music, and do my darndest to use it to bring Peace.

I’m inspired by songwriters whose lyrics touch my heart and make me think: Joni Mitchell, Carole King, Paul Simon, Leonard Cohen, and

my personal favorite, someone I’ve had the honor to write songs with, Carrie Newcomer.

I love co-writing, and am honored to have songs on two of Jan Gillies’ CDs. I also have three CDs of my own - *Little Friends for Peace Celebrate!*, a live recording of a benefit concert with and for children (2010); *The Time is Now* (2012); and *Stillwaters Live* (2016). I am truly grateful to my recording engineer, **Jeff Wolf**, owner of [Stillwaters Studios](http://www.StillwatersStudios.com), who also accompanies me on bass and percussion. I love my life (and Jeff is the Love of my life :) !

I admire and enjoy the community created here at the Tuesday night Folk Club of Reston/Herndon. I always feel welcome here, and often bring new friends. We are building a similar sense of community through music at our home near Marshall, VA. *Stillwaters Supper and Songs* happens every month (the “supper” part is potluck at 6pm, and the “songs” part is a professional concert *plus* an open mic). Visit <http://www.StillwatersSupperandSongs.eventbrite.com> for dates and details, and please come.

Thank you for all *you* do to make peace through music.



of Reston & Herndon

Proudly Presents

Adam Hurt & Beth Williams Hartness



TUESDAY, JUNE 20, 2017

Show starts at **7:15 p.m.**

\$11 (\$10 MEMBERS)

Requested Donation

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Seating: Contact **Dave Hurd** Tuesdays at
The Folk Club or e-mail – DAHurdSr@cs.com

Two talented players steeped in the old-time heart and soul music of the Carolinas

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Adam Hurt and Beth Williams Hartness perform duets of traditional music from the Appalachian south and elsewhere with clawhammer banjo, fiddle, fingerstyle guitar, and vocals. Their engaging program will appeal to players and fans of old-time music as well as those who may be getting their very first taste of this captivating genre.

taught herself to play the guitar at the age of twelve, influenced by her mother's passion for early 1960s folk music. Beth was first introduced to old-time music in the 1980s while living in Charlotte, North Carolina, and during this time she was a founding member of the Charlotte Folk Music Society, serving as vice president and festival organizer. Beth has been a member of numerous award-winning string bands, and she has won ribbons of her own in competitions for back-up guitar.

Deemed a "banjo virtuoso" by the Washington Post, **Adam Hurt** has fused several traditional old-time idioms to create his own elegantly innovative clawhammer banjo style, having been introduced to the instrument at age eleven in his native Minnesota. A respected performer and teacher of traditional music, Adam has played at the Kennedy Center and conducted banjo workshops at many venues around the country and abroad. Since moving south in 2002, Adam has placed in or won most of the major old-time banjo competitions, and he has claimed several state banjo and fiddle championships.

Adam and Beth collaborated for *Fine Times at Our House*, a CD of old-time duets featuring Adam's clawhammer banjo and fiddle along with Beth's signature fingerstyle guitar. Their aim was to capture some of their favorite music as they play it at home for their own enjoyment; the result is a project that is at once intimate and enveloping

Raised on a tobacco farm in Caswell County, North Carolina, **Beth Williams Hartness** began singing and

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

UPCOMING CONCERTS include:

Hoot and Holler 9/19/2017

Beppe Gambetta 10/10/2017

Kathleen Johnson Farrar, 1948-2017

Our well-loved friend and longtime member, who met her husband Bill Farrar at the Folk Club, passed away on May 25th. She was also a member of the Capital Area Bluegrass and Old Time Music Association (CABOMA), the Folklore Society of the Greater Washington Area, the Dulcimer Disorganization of the Washington Area, and was associated with many other musical groups. She played banjo and piano and was a fine harmony singer. She and Bill were regular attendees at many area music jams and several annual music festivals. We will miss her lovely smile, banjo picking and singing, and we will cherish the wonderful memories of the good times we had together.

Note: Meeting on Wednesday Instead of Tuesday for Independence Day

Due to the Independence Day holiday being on a Tuesday this year, we will hold our meeting that week on Wednesday, July 5 instead of Tuesday, July 4.

Newsletter Is Available By Email Link

The Folk Club is offering to send an email with a link to the online newsletter for any member who would prefer it to the paper copy. If you would like to switch to that, please send an email request to newsletter@restonherndonfolkclub.com.

MUSICAL NOTES



Monthly Showcase Concert in Strasburg

Shenandoah Valley Acoustic Music Showcase Concerts @ Cristina's Café in Strasburg, VA. Open at 6 PM for drinks, snacks, desserts (sorry, no dinners). Music starts at 7 PM, and there is a \$5 cover to compensate the musicians. Contact Kevin Whalen for more information (jameskevinwhalen@gmail.com).

June 10: Richard Hardy at 7 PM, Slow Creek (Sandra Lyerly, Jeremy Rodgers, Joe Martin) at 8 PM

July 8: Chris Rooney at 7 PM, Con Burch Trio (Con Burch, Gary Denick, Steve Spence) at 8 PM

August 12: Mark "T" at 7 PM, Bill Vaughn & Amanda Wilkins at 8 PM

September 9: Jan & Neil Gillies at 7 PM, Bill Foster & Rick Burnette at 8 PM

"FOLKIES" BORN THIS MONTH

6/3/1897 – Lizzie Douglas (a.k.a. "Memphis Minnie")

6/9/1902 – Nehemiah "Skip" James

6/10/1910 – Chester Arthur Burnett (aka "Howlin' Wolf")

6/14/1909 – Burl Ives

6/18/1942 – Paul McCartney

6/19/1914 – Lester Flatt

6/22/1936 – Kris Kristofferson

6/23/1929 – June Carter Cash

6/26/1893 – "Big" Bill Broonzy

MUSICAL QUOTE

"Musical training is a more potent instrument than any other, because rhythm and harmony find their way into the inward places of the soul." - Plato, The Republic

MEMBER PERFORMANCES & INFO

T.M Hanna tmhanna.net

Bill Davis (w/Somos El Mar)
schoolshows.com/somoselmar

Chris Anderson <http://chris-anderson.info>

- Monthly, 2nd Saturday, Harried Americans Happy Hour, 5:30 to 7:00 p.m., Epicure Cafe, Fairfax, VA. <http://harriedamericans.com>. The show includes comedy, poetry, and music, geared to adults - and is free, with a suggested donation of \$10.

Ron Goad MisterGoad@aol.com

- 2nd, 4th & 5th Wednesdays 7:30 to ? p.m. (open mic after scheduled sets), SAW Variety Showcases at Epicure Café, Fairfax, VA - Epicurecafe.org.

- Monthly, 2nd Monday at Brewer's Alley, Frederick, MD. Contact Ron Goad for more information.

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

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

Jan Gillies

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



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, artwork and other music-related items to newsletter editor Ben Hamblin at newsletter@restonherndonfolkclub.com. Information should be received 1 week prior to the end of the month for the next month’s newsletter. Items will be published on the basis of music-related interest, timeliness, and available space.

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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.

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

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.

FOR SALE

- 2014 Taylor 814CE Grand Auditorium with ES2, purchased new two years ago from Guitar Center. In excellent condition - an absolutely gorgeous guitar. Lists for \$3499 new. Asking \$2600.00. Contact Al Hobson at alhobson@verizon.net or 703-371-6524.

LESSONS

- Private guitar lessons in Alexandria. Flexible learning techniques including reading, ear and applied music theory. Contact Eric Forthman: ecfmm@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@musicbyanthe.com.