# The Folk Club of Reston/Herndon

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## May 17 Concert – Ken & Brad Kolodner w/ Rachel Eddy

Father, son, and friend play hammered dulcimer, clawhammer banjo, guitar, and fiddle – old-time heaven! See page 2

# May 10 Showcase – Ryan Murphy by Ryan



Ryan Murphy started playing guitar in high school as a creative and emotional outlet, but rarely played any original songs in public. The appeal was always in the writing of the songs, rather than playing.

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During the pandemic, Ryan got back into writing and playing music, and, as restrictions lifted, felt a need to be more social and play in public for the first time in 20 years. To this end, he started playing at the Folk Club open mic nights in March of 2022, joined the Club in April, and won the showcase drawing on the same night as joining.

Ryan grew up listening to a wide range of music, but always enjoyed the music of Simon and Garfunkel, Cat Stevens, and Gordon Lightfoot. Otherwise, his preferences have been somewhat contradictory with a great deal of listening to hard rock while playing almost exclusively acoustic guitar, and listening to male vocalists but mostly covering songs by female vocalists.

Other than playing music, Ryan is a psychologist focused on developing questionnaires for use in clinical trials of new medical treatments.

While Ryan has typically played solo at the Folk Club, during the showcase he will be joined by Bill Bowman on bass and Ron Goad on percussion.





# Ken & Brad Kolodner w/Rachel Eddy



https://www.kenandbrad.com/

# TUESDAY, MAY 17<sup>TH</sup>, 2022

Show starts at 7:15 p.m.

\$13 (\$12 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 alhobson@verizon.net

Tickets may also be purchased at the door dependent on availability

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The dynamic father-son team Ken & Brad Kolodner weave together a captivating soundscape on hammered dulcimer and clawhammer banjo, blurring the lines of Old-Time, Bluegrass and American Roots music. Regarded as one of the most influential hammered dulcimer players in North America, Baltimore's Ken Kolodner joined forces in 2009 with his son Brad, a renowned clawhammer banjo player. They've sculpted their own brand of driving, innovative, tasteful acoustic roots music with a "creative curiosity that lets all listeners know that a passion for traditional music yet thrives in every generation." The hypnotizing groove of the percussive hammered dulcimer and rhythmic

clawhammer banjo is the core of their sound. They are joined by the dynamic multi-instrumentalist Rachel Eddy on fiddle and guitar.

The trio is sometimes joined by bassist Alex Lacquement to form The Ken & Brad Kolodner quartet. They won 1st place in the Neo-Traditional Band Contest at the Appalachian Stringband Festival in the summer of 2019. Cathy Fink says "Credit the Kolodner's with one of the best examples of innovative traditional string music heard yet this year. The centerpiece of the Ken & Brad Kolodner sound is fiddle tunes and old time songs...". They released their fourth studio album *Stony Run* in March 2020.

#### CLUB INFO

### May 24 – 37<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration

Let's celebrate our longevity and all the sharing of music! As usual for party nights, we'll have round-robin open mic entertainment (one song per musical act), free dessert, door prizes, and it's free (no dollar donation). Bring wrapped-up CD's that you think other folkies might enjoy. The Folk Club will add CD's by our recent monthly concert artists.

#### Folk Club Jamboree Returns!

Nancy and Wayne Truax will hold the Memorial Day Jamboree (called Campouts for years, but almost no one camps out these days) at The Aerie, their new place on Massanutten Mountain just west of Luray (the old "Berry Patch Inn"). The Aerie's address is 8727 US 211 West, Luray, VA, 22835. It is right next door to the Truax's cabin, so there may be sleeping accommodations available. Nancy had filled all the accommodations for 2021, but then had to cancel. She plans to give the same people the rooms they had been promised, but if anyone can't make it this year let her know, and she might be able to back-fill - any back-fills will be on a first-requested basis. Also, folks sleeping in the cabin should be courteous to people asleep in the living room. Otherwise, pitch a tent, or set up your RV (RV space is limited – please call). This gives Folk Club fans a chance for three days of socializing and music, from Friday, May 27 to Monday, May 30. If you plan to attend, please contact Nancy Truax by Wed, May 25 at nancyitruax@gmail.com or 703-286-9417 and let her know when you plan to be there, how many will be in your party, and how many meals you would like. If you need more information, let her know and she will send you the flyer. Nancy's preference is that everyone be vaccinated and boosted. Obviously, if you're sick please stay home. Masks and hand-sanitizer will be available.

#### A Real Fifth Tuesday

May  $31^{st}$  is the fifth Tuesday of the month, so we will be unplugged – no sound system support. Some people love the natural sound and freedom from electronics.

#### **Tuesday Night Open Mics on YouTube**

We are live streaming the open mic from the Amphora every Tuesday night, for those who cannot be there and would like to check out the performances. The link will be posted to the Event Calendar on our website (https://folkclubofrestonherndon.org/?page\_id=918).

Select the open mic link below the date; the YouTube link will be at the top of the description by 7:15 PM on Tuesday night. It can be viewed live or at a later time. Note: the link for our concerts will not be posted until the next day.

#### **Virtual Open Mics Continue**

Al Hobson will host bi-weekly virtual open mics on Zoom on Monday, May 16th and May 30th. If you'd like to share some songs or watch and listen in, send an email to Al Hobson at <u>alhobson@verizon.net</u> by Sunday evening and let him know if you plan to perform or not. He'll send you the Zoom link for the 7:30 PM open mic.



- <u>Annette Wasilik, Michelle Swan, Rupert Wates, Lynn</u> <u>Hollyfield</u> @ Hank Dietle's Tavern, Wed, May 4 in Rockville MD - <u>Susan Werner</u> @ City Winery, Thu, May 5 in Washington DC - <u>Shanna in a Dress</u> @ Zandra's Taqueria, Thu, May 12 in Fairfax VA

#### **Focus Music**

Side by Side (Doris Justis & Sean McGee) Reunion Concert, Sun, May 15 at 7 PM at the Tikvat Israel Congregation in Rockville, MD, or streamed live
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**

- Go to www.imtfolk.org for more information.

**The Folklore Society of Greater Washington (FSGW)** - Go to fsgw.org for more information.

#### MEMBER PERFORMANCES & INFO

Bill Davis - email: <u>bil-davis@outlook.com</u>

Chris Anderson ChrisAndersonSongs.com

Ron Goad - email: MisterGoad@aol.com

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

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

Jan Gillies www.jangilliesmusic.com

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

Stevie Wade Potter, acoustic musician www.steviewademusic.com

#### Sherry Stewart

www.facebook.com/SunnyatMidnightMusic

**Steven Cutts** <u>ThePrimeCutts.com</u> and Spotify - *Seems Like Old Times*, a new collection of five old-timey songs (recorded with Cathy Fink, Kimber Ludiker, Marcy Marxer, and Jim Robeson) is available at <u>https://theprimecutts.com/seems-like-old-times</u>

Jeff Smith <u>HumanWilderness.com</u> - Wed, Dec 1, 7 PM, Epicure Cafe, Fairfax, VA

Jillian Matundan JillianMatundan.com

- Sat, May 7 at 9:30 AM, Matundan in the Morning Livestream with Adriana Spinal

- Sat, May 14 at 6 PM, Second Saturdays Backyard Concert in Arlington, VA with Marcy Cochran & Lynn Hollyfield

Audrey Adair Audrey JAdair.com



of Keston & Herndon Meets Tuesday nights, at 7:15 PM ET at Amphora Diner Deluxe, 1151 Elden Street, Herndon, VA President: Ben Hamblin Treasurer: Al Hobson Board of Directors: Bill Davis, TM Hanna, Ron Goad, Sue Schier, Bill Farrar, Cheryl Hennessy, Connee Chandler, Jim Clark, Nancy Truax, Steve Potter Publicity: Amy Lowenstein Bookings: Steve Potter Newsletter: Ben Hamblin, Dan Grove, Steve Potter Website: Al Hobson, Ben Hamblin Facebook: Ben Hamblin Lifetime Members: Rose Haskell, Ray & Ellen Kaminsky, Beth Drumheller

#### FOLK CLUB FORMAT

Most Tuesday nights the Folk Club is an open-mike format with a signup board. Each performer has 8 minutes, which includes setup time.

#### SHOWCASE PERFORMANCES

On the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month (usually), we feature a "Showcase" of a Folk Club member in a 24-minute performance. To do a Showcase you must: 1) be a paid-up Folk Club member who has not done a showcase in the last 12 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 FolkClubOfRestonHerndon@gmail.com.

#### **RESERVE YOUR CONCERT SEATS**

Donations can be made in advance for Guest Artist concert performances on Tuesdays at the Folk Club or by prepaid mail. Contact Al Hobson, 810 Elden St, Herndon, VA 20170, <u>alhobson@verizon.net</u>.

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#### FOLK CLUB MEMBERSHIP

If you enjoy the music and company, become a member! The process is the same if your membership has expired. Make out a check to "The Folk Club" in the amount of \$15 for one year or \$55 for 5 years. Please DO NOT make the check to Al Hobson. Send the check to: Reston/Herndon Folk Club; c/o Al Hobson; 810 Elden St; Herndon, VA 20170. Please provide your name, email address, phone # and type, and residential address. By the way, we are looking into a way to accept online payments in the future.

#### **KEEP IN TOUCH**

There are several ways you can keep in touch, or find out more about The Club: Website: FolkClubOfRestonHerndon.org

**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.

#### MUSIC GEAR

- For Sale: Taylor GS Mini (Rosewood) w/bag \$438.62; Cordoba Mini II EB-CE \$237.21. Both are in very good shape. Contact TM at <u>pressroom@birdphluph.com</u>

#### LESSONS

- Private guitar lessons available on-line, FaceTime or Zoom. Flexible learning techniques including reading, ear and applied music theory. Contact Eric Forthman: email: <u>eric.forthman@gmail.com</u>; phone: 571-329-9875.