

# The Folk Club of Reston & Herndon

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

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## March 18<sup>th</sup> – Concert – Beppe Gambetta!

Beppe is a world-class flatpicker – not to be missed!

Always a sold-out show – get tickets early!

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## March 11 Showcase – Larry Rice

By Larry

rescheduled from February due to snow

Born the same year as the discovery of the DNA molecular structure and Pat Benatar (1953), music has been a big part of Larry Rice's life. He started playing bass in a band with his brother Steve and still best friend Dave when he was 12. They called themselves The Testaments of Time. Even though his knees were truly knocking, their best gig was entertaining Army NCO's. When they added black schoolmate and singer Ray, they added Motown to their set list and became Salt and Pepper.

He was in a rock power trio, Andromeda his last two years of high school and learned guitar and banjo before he went to college. Bored during his last semester of senior year he helped found Flatbush, co-writing, singing, playing bass and fiddle from 1974-1981. Great regional success brought two top ten original singles on Cleveland's WMMS, and opening act gigs for New Riders, Little Feat, and others. Flatbush is in the History of Rock in Cleveland exhibit at the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame.

Fast forward to two adult daughters, Larry, Lea, and Shannon started playing together as The Big Cheese Band at a Ron Goad event in 2007, the same year he released a solo CD, Little House. Through fifteen years TBCB released 3 LP's, an EP, and a single. 3 original songs charted - "Life on the River" (#1 AAA 2015), "The Christmas Crocodile" (#17 AC 2015), and "Everything" (#15 Relix Jam Bands 2022). Lea and Larry still have fun playing music and will resurrect TBCB later this year, playing super traditional music.

Larry was a member of the Gideon's Trumpet choir at The Falls Church Episcopal from 2018 to 2022. During this time, he wrote four of the five gospel songs on his 2024 solo release, Gospel Gifts. Three songs off of this EP made it into the AAA radio top 20 folk chart, and the EP itself made it to #8, sharing the top 10 with Mark Knopfler, Sarah Jarosz, The Secret Sisters, and the Avett Brothers.

Luckily for Larry he met Ann Granger in 2019. With so many things in common, they must be cousins. Always in danger of bursting into a song or riffing a parody of a song, they started playing as The Two Peas in 2021. They love harmony. They've ventured into songwriting and are in the studio this month to record an EP.

For the showcase, Larry plans on taking the audience on a tour of all the music he's performed in his life.





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Proudly Presents

# Beppe Gambetta



**TUESDAY, MARCH 18<sup>TH</sup>, 2025**

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

**\$20 (\$19 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 [treasurer.jk.folkclub@gmail.com](mailto:treasurer.jk.folkclub@gmail.com)*

*Tickets may also be purchased at the door dependent on availability*

<https://beppegambetta.com/>

<https://folkclubofrestonherndon.org/>

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It's the smile that is the key for reading the musical universe of Beppe Gambetta. His open and disarming smile invites you to a musical journey with light heart and curiosity. From his background as an Italian musician in love with both American roots music as well as the music of his native country, he is continually crafting a personal mosaic of sounds and flavors.

Traveling the world dazzling music enthusiasts everywhere with his live performances, Beppe is known as one of the true innovators of the acoustic guitar. His 15th CD, Terra Madre (Mother Earth), feature internationally renowned

guest from different musical genres.. In his career he has performed with such musical icons as David Grisman, Doc Watson, and Norman Blake among others.

In a world dominated by the trends and logic of the market, Gambetta's playing and singing stand out for their intimate emotions, communication, and research in tone, sobriety and humor. It is inspired music, always exploring and innovating while staying firmly rooted in tradition.

A concert by Beppe always draws a packed house so join us as we welcome him for his 6<sup>th</sup> appearance at The Folk Club.

UPCOMING CONCERTS:

**Cox & McRae 5/20/2025**

**Rachel Sumner & Traveling Light 9/16/2025**

## CLUB INFO, ETC.

### **Zoom Open Mics**

Every other Monday night at 7:30 pm Al Hobson hosts bi-weekly virtual Folk Club open mics on Zoom. March's dates are March 3<sup>rd</sup> and March 17<sup>th</sup>. If you'd like to watch or share some songs send an email to Al Hobson at [alhobson@verizon.net](mailto:alhobson@verizon.net) by Sunday evening. Let him know if you plan to listen or perform and he'll send you the Zoom link.

### **Tuesday Night Open Mic Videos**

To see a video recording of the Tuesday night open mic, go to the [folkclubofrestonherndon.org](http://folkclubofrestonherndon.org) [Event Calendar](#). Select the link below the date, then the YouTube link. If YouTube says the link is blocked, right-click the link, then choose the option to open it in a new tab or window.

## MUSICAL NOTES



Al's Arts Barn - <https://artsbarnmusic.org/>  
810 Elden St, Herndon, VA

### **Sat 3/8 @ 7pm The Low Lily Duo**

The Vermont-based American Roots band LOW LILY brings an infectious blend of contemporary folk, the precision of bluegrass, and the drive of Americana into one stunning soundscape.

### **Focus Music**

**Sat, 3/29 @ 7:30pm – The Steven Gellman Trio**  
(Gaithersburg and Virtual) at Island Pride Oasis, 617 S Frederick Ave, Gaithersburg, MD

- Visit [www.focusmusic.org](http://www.focusmusic.org) for more information.

### **Folklore Society of Greater Washington (FSGW).**

Hosts frequent folk dance events  
- Go to [fsgw.org](http://fsgw.org) for more information.

### **Institute of Musical Traditions**

**Mon 3/3 @7:30 pm - Little Red and the Renegades**  
Saint Mark Presbyterian Church  
10701 Old Georgetown Road, Rockville, MD

**Fri, 3/7 @ 7:30pm – The Low Lily Duo**  
Takoma Spark at School of Musical Traditions, 7112 Willow Ave, Takoma Park, MD

- Go to [www.imtfolk.org](http://www.imtfolk.org) for more information.

### **Potomac River Jazz Club**

**Sun, 3/16 @ 2:00pm – Heather Pearson**  
Rosensteel Hall, 9707 Rosensteel Avenue Silver Spring, MD  
Go to <https://prjc.org/> for more information

## MEMBER PERFORMANCES & INFO

**Bill Davis** – email: [bil-davis@outlook.com](mailto:bil-davis@outlook.com)

**Chris Anderson** [ChrisAndersonSongs.com](http://ChrisAndersonSongs.com)

**Ron Goad** – email: [MisterGoad@aol.com](mailto:MisterGoad@aol.com)

**Jan Gillies** [www.jangilliesmusic.com](http://www.jangilliesmusic.com)

**Hickory Grove** (Bev & Jack Osburn)

[www.hickoryg.com](http://www.hickoryg.com)

**Rick Landers and Heartland:** <https://ricklanders.com/>

**Shenandoah Run** (including Bob Melissinos, Ben Hamblin, Jim Johnson) [www.shenandoahrun.com](http://www.shenandoahrun.com).

**Sat 3/8 @ 5:30pm** Jammin Java in Vienna, VA

**Sherry Stewart (Sunny@Midnight)**

[www.facebook.com/SunnyatMidnightMusic](http://www.facebook.com/SunnyatMidnightMusic) :

**Steven Cutts** [ThePrimeCutts.com](http://ThePrimeCutts.com) and Spotify, Apple Music, and Soundcloud

**Audrey Adair** [AudreyJAdair.com](http://AudreyJAdair.com)

**The Two Peas** (Ann Granger and Larry Rice) - Harmony in Acoustic Music – [twopeasharmony@gmail.com](mailto:twopeasharmony@gmail.com)

**Chasing Magic** (including John Druitt, Al Hobson, Walt Lazear) [ChasingMagic-TheBand.com](http://ChasingMagic-TheBand.com)

**George Katsos** [georgekatsos.com](http://georgekatsos.com)



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Meets Tuesday nights, at 7:15 PM ET at Amphora Diner Deluxe,  
1151 Elden Street, Herndon, VA

**President:** Al Hobson                      **Treasurer:** Jen Katt  
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**Lifetime Members:** Rose Haskell, Ray & Ellen Kaminsky, Dave Hurd (in memoriam) & 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 Louis Klein, [lklein21@gmail.com](mailto:lklein21@gmail.com)

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

Donations can be made in advance for concert performances on Tuesdays at the Folk Club or by prepaid mail. Contact Jen Katt, 13529 Wood St, Woodbridge, VA 22191-1338, [treasurer.jk.folkclub@gmail.com](mailto:treasurer.jk.folkclub@gmail.com).

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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 Jen Katt. Send the check to: The Folk Club of Reston & Herndon; c/o Jen Katt; 13529 Wood St; Woodbridge, VA 22191-1338. Please provide your name, email address, phone # and type, and residential address. Sorry, we cannot accept online payments.

#### **KEEP IN TOUCH**

There are several ways you can keep in touch, or find out more about The Club: **Website:** [folkclubofrestonherndon.org/](http://folkclubofrestonherndon.org/)  
**Facebook:** [www.facebook.com/rhfolkclub](http://www.facebook.com/rhfolkclub)  
**General Info:** Contact Sue Schier at (703) 435-2402  
**Newsletter ideas:** Louis Klein: [lklein21@gmail.com](mailto:lklein21@gmail.com)

#### **CLASSIFIEDS**

#### **MUSIC GEAR for Sale**

- For Sale: Ukuleles, banjos, guitars, and mandolins. Contact TM at [press-room@birdphluph.com](mailto:press-room@birdphluph.com) for more info.

- For Sale: Martin 000-28, mint, 1 year old, still has new guitar smell! Contact Louis Klein, [lklein21@gmail.com](mailto:lklein21@gmail.com) for more info.