

The Folk Club of Reston & Herndon

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

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Some enchanted evening -- June 16

It's Theme Night! (See page 2.)

June's Member Showcase – Joe Shade Tuesday the 9th

from Joe himself



Sprung from the exurban sprawl of the I-95 corridor, Joe Shade crafts a compelling blend of classic British pop melodicism with American rock, country, and folk. A veteran songwriter with deep rock and punk bona fides, Shade cut his teeth in the St. Louis glam scene before playing NYC's legendary CBGB's "in the day."

Today, trading the heavy wall-of-sound distortion for a more intimate acoustic delivery, his songs are a visceral attempt to process a modern world of crooked mirrors and bursting bubbles. Driven by sharp lyricism and authentic, time-tested energy, Joe Shade makes music for an era accelerating past comprehension. Grab ahold and hang on tight.

Have the Folk Club –not Georgia -- on your mind Tuesday the 16th.

A Theme Night always gets one thinking of possibilities.

Forget April in Paris. It will almost be Virginian summertime. Dust off your favorites from

The Great American Songbook

and bring them along. With luck there won't be stormy weather that night. Come rain, or come shine.

As time goes by, you can sing your faves cheek to cheek (so to speak) with the other Folk Club crooners. Bring your satin doll for moral support; it'll be tea AND a great Amphora dinner for two. We'll get a kick out of you.

Join in for an unforgettable folk club show . . . and not 'cause we'll be misbehavin'! You'll say, "I could have sung all night."

(Adherence to the theme is encouraged but not strictly enforced!)

Fall '26 concerts: Great Aunt in September and Mean Mary in November.

. . . and Folk Club Unplugged

As is our tradition in months with a fifth Tuesday in the calendar, the format for Tuesday, June 30 will stay the same as most weeks (i.e. sign up ahead of 7:00, 8 minutes of performance time, *etc.*), BUT there will not be sound equipment set up that night. It will be an all-acoustic show.

Folk Club Format: On a "normal" open mic Tuesday night the music begins at 7:00; there is an intermission soon after 8:00; the evening concludes close to 9:30.

The Folk Club has an open-mic format. Each individual musician or ensemble is allowed 8 minutes.

On most Tuesday nights performers reserve a slot from among sixteen on a sign-up board. One does not have to be a member to perform. Two of the slots are reserved until 6:55 for musicians who have never played at the Folk Club. Performers who played the previous week are asked to give way to anyone who did not play the week before and, at the very least, should not sign in until 6:55.

Want a shot to be Showcased? To be chosen, you must: 1) be a paid-up Folk Club member who has not performed a showcase in the last 12 months; 2) fill out a lottery slip and place it in the “drawing bucket” the night of the current month’s showcase; 3) win the drawing; and 4) be prepared to be featured in the next newsletter!

Newsletter Content : Folk Club members are encouraged to submit upcoming performance dates & venues, classified ads, reviews, articles, and other music-related items. Send your ideas and content for consideration to this new address:
FolkCNews@gmail.com.

Stay in the know! Find out more about The Folk Club through our website <https://folkclubofrestonherndon.org> and on <https://www.facebook.com/rhfolkclub> .

KILMARNOCK HARMONY

In spite of gray skies with just a few hours of sunshine, off and on precipitation, and mostly coolish temperatures, those who gathered at Barb and Craig’s Blue Bayou villa on **Memorial Day Weekend** were in seventh heaven, nirvana, feeling only good vibes - whatever you want to call it. Music and conversation flowed almost continuously, the refreshments were abundant and delicious, and everyone enjoyed each other’s company. This wasn’t expected, but it turned out to be a digital detox weekend since there was no internet access most of the time; maybe we all needed that.

There were many Folk Clubbers and quite a few of Barb and Craig’s friends and family. It was great to reconnect with friends and to meet nice new folks. In the big but cozy music room there were anywhere from three to fifteen musicians in a circle taking turns sharing songs with each other as well as music-loving listeners who gathered to enjoy the spontaneous sounds. There was improvised accompaniment, singing, rhythms, and dancing to a rock-n-roll medley. So many emotional moments and shared experiences.

FYI, Folk Club people included Barb & Craig, Jim T, Dan & Evelyn, Eric & Pam, Doug & Sue, TM & Felicia & Lavanya, Linda & Woody, Sully, Nancy & Wayne, Ben & Gail, Bill & Nancy, Jean B, Greg V, Chuck & Elizabeth, Diane & John, Rich B, Pam, The Artist Formerly Known as Tex, and Jen & Bob. (Sorry if I forgot anyone who was there).

Here is a link to a random bit of Jean Bayou’s song “Torture” for those unable to be there.
https://youtu.be/_9yFTzrYX68 See what you missed?

The Folk Club sends undying gratitude and thanks to Barb & Craig for hosting this for another year!



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Meets Tuesday Nights @ 7pm
Amphora Diner Deluxe
1151 Elden Street, Herndon, VA

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Folk Club Membership : Become a member today – or renew if your membership has expired – by writing a check to "The Folk Club" in the amount of \$15 for one year or \$60 for 5 years. *Please DO NOT write 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, residential address, email address and phone number or numbers (labeled as mobile or landline.) You may also Venmo your dues to @Jennifer-Katt-1. Sorry, but we cannot accept payment through the website.

Musicians Wanted : Seeking volunteer instrumentalists for English Country Dance practice in Sterling, VA. Fridays 7-9 p.m. Must read music and keep a steady tempo. Huge fun and a great opportunity to learn a new style. Email chelle@keltish.com to learn more.

Folk Club Member Music Websites & Contacts :

Audrey Adair: <https://audreyjadair.com>
Chris Anderson: <https://chrisandersonsongs.com>
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Pete Hill: www.petethefolksinger.com
Jim Johnson: www.jimjohnsonmusic.com
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Jennifer Cooke Katt: www.jenkattmusic.com
Rick Landers & Heartland: <https://ricklanders.com>
Shenandoah Run: www.shenandoahr.com
The Two Peas (Ann Granger and Larry Rice)
www.thetwopeasmusic.com

Other DMV music venues/presentors :

The Arts Barn: <https://artsbarnmusic.org>
Focus Music: www.focusmusic.org
Institute of Musical Traditions: www.imtfolk.org

CATCH Chasing Magic at Lake Thoreau
June 13th from 7:00 to 10:00 p.m.

The Mountville Folk Festival, June 19-20, Aldie VA
RSVP required – <http://mountvillefolk.org>

Zoom Open Mics: Every other Monday night at 7:30 pm Al Hobson hosts virtual Folk Club open mics on Zoom. June dates will be the 8th and 22nd. If you'd like to watch or share some songs, send an email to Al Hobson at alhobson@verizon.net by Sunday evening. Let him know if you plan to listen in or perform; he'll send you the Zoom link.

- **Tuesday Night Open Mic Videos:** To view a video recording of the Tuesday night open mic, go to the 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 and then choose the option to open it in a new tab or window.