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Folknik Page Editor Needed

Susan Frank is stepping down from editing pages 1 and 8 of the *folknik*, so we need a new editor for these pages. Please get in touch with Donna Scarlett, the Editor-in-Chief, at sffmc.folknik.editor@gmail.com if you would like to help.



Antoine Watteau, British Museum Collection



Fold-In Sunday, March 1

The fold-in/folk-sing is at 12:00 PM, Sunday, March 1, at the home of Marian Gade, 136 Highland Blvd., Kensington, 510-524-9815.

Help with the *folknik*, enjoy a meal, and make music. Bring a potluck dish and instruments.

The San Francisco Folk Music Club is a nonprofit corporation dedicated to the enjoyment, preservation and promotion of acoustic music in individual, family, and community life.

"If it weren't for the rocks in its bed, the stream would have no song." — Carl Perkins

Musical Meetings

Musical meetings of the San Francisco Folk Music Club are held every 2nd and 4th Friday at Cyprian's ARC, 2097 Turk Street (at Lyon), San Francisco. There is plenty of street parking, but if you can't find anything closer, you may park in the blood bank lot at Turk and Masonic. Cyprian's asks that if we park in the lot, we use a parking pass. Parking passes are stored on the info table right inside the front entrance of the church. You can pull up to the front entrance and step inside to get one before you park. You can keep it in your car for future use since they are not dated.

Singing and jamming start at 8:00 pm; we start clean-up at 11:30 and need to leave by midnight. Two of the rooms require earlier leaving times. Bring finger-food snacks and beverages if you can. Guests are always welcome, and no one is expected to "perform". Cyprian's charges us rent; we ask those who can to donate \$5 to \$10 per evening, but if you can't donate, we still want you to join us!

In consideration of our members' allergies and other concerns, only service animals are permitted at SFFMC events, and all our events are fragrance-free. The wearing of perfumes or heavily-scented products is not permitted. If a situation arises that cannot be easily remedied, members may be asked to show responsibility by taking their pet home or going home to change out of clothing that has picked up the offending scents.

| | Jan 10 | Jan 24 | Feb 14 | Feb 28 |
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| Setup 1, 7 p.m. | Debbie K | Dave S | Debbie K | Debbie K |
| Setup 2, 7 p.m. | Tenaya | Bob A | Glen V | John K |
| Host 1, 8-9 p.m. | Ed H | John K | John K | Ed H |
| Host 2, 9-10 p.m. | Greg B | Glen V | Greg B | Tes W |
| Singing Room | Yvette T | Tes W | Ed H | Glen V |
| Theme | Winter/Spring, Cold, Green, Wet | Holidays, Remembrances | Love | Peace |
| Cleanup | TBD | TBD | TBD | TBD |

If you have constraints and contingencies that make it hard to sign up in advance, think of ways to help: when you can come by you can bring food and/or pitch in with set-up and clean-up!

Board Meetings

The SFFMC board meets on each 2nd Tuesday — potluck at 6:30 p.m., meeting at 8:00 p.m. All club members are welcome to attend the potluck dinner and the meeting.

January 14: Home of Charlie Fenton, 419 Euclid Ave., Oakland, CA 94610 (510) 817-4028 **February 11:** Home of Ed Hilton, 824 Lincoln Ave. #B, Alameda, CA 94501 (510) 523-6533

Board Members

President: Ed Hilton Vice President: Hali Hammer

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Next Folknik Fold-In/Sing: Sunday, March 1, 2020 at noon home of Marian Gade, 136 Highland Blvd., Kensington, CA 94708 (510) 524-9815

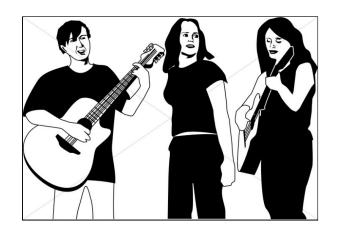
Save the Date – Camp Harmony Benefit Concert by Marlene McCall

It's too soon to give you information about the program, but we have a date and a venue for the next Camp Harmony Benefit Concert.

April 18, 2020, 7:00 to 9:30 p.m. BFUU (Berkeley Fellowship of Unitarian Universalists) 1606 Bonita Ave. (corner of Cedar), Berkeley CA

Save the date on your calendar.

More info will be forthcoming in the next folknik!



Home on the Range

by Marlene McCall

Everyone knows it, this classic western folk song often called the "unofficial anthem" of the American West. But what many people know are only the first verse and the chorus. And the chorus most people know is not even the chorus as it was originally written.

You can listen to a 2014 version by Tom Roush, but with the words as they were originally written, here: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=O1zrO3c6Y3o.

The words were written by Dr. Brewster Higley, who moved in 1871 from Indiana to Smith County, Kansas under the Homestead Act. Margaret A. Nelson, in her 1947 book Home on the Range, describes Dr. Higley as "a man with a polished voice and accent", who had staked a claim on West Beaver Creek, living in a small cabin, and soon became popular with the settlers. Higley

was "quiet, retiring, and often drank to excess" when he became "broody and melancholy," but despite this "he was always a gentleman." Inspired by his surroundings, he wrote a poem called "My Western Home", which was published in the Smith County Pioneer in 1872. (The home in which he lived at the time he wrote that poem is now listed on the National Register of Historic Places as "The Home on the Range Cabin".)



late 19th century

Here are the original lyrics:

(1) Oh, give me a home where the buffalo roam, Where the deer and the antelope play; Where seldom is heard a discouraging word, And the sky is not cloudy all day.

CHORUS: A home, a home,

Where the deer and the antelope play; Where seldom is heard a discouraging word, And the sky is not clouded all day.

- (2) Oh, give me a land where the bright diamond sand Throws its light from the glittering stream; Where gliding along, the graceful white swan Like a maid in a heavenly dream. CHORUS
- (3) Oh! give me a gale of the Solomon vale, Where the live streams with buoyancy flow; On the banks of the Beaver, where seldom if ever, Any poisonous herbage doth grow. CHORUS
- (4) How often at night when the heavens are bright With the light of the twinkling stars, Have I stood here amazed and asked as I gazed If their glory exceeds that of ours. CHORUS
- (5) I love the wild flowers in this bright land of ours I love the wild curlew's shrill scream; The bluffs and white rocks, and the antelope flocks That graze on the mountain so green. CHORUS
- (6) The air is so pure and the breezes so fine, The zephyrs so balmy and light, That I would not exchange my home here to range Forever in azures so bright. CHORUS

Those of you familiar with the way the song is generally sung today will notice that the words "home on the range" appear nowhere in these lyrics, with the chorus instead beginning "A home, a home" and the last verse ending with the with "I would not exchange my home here to range forever in azures so bright."

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Dr. Higley, while treating a patient in 1873, asked him to read the poem, which was written on a foolscap sheet of paper. The patient and his family insisted that the doctor get somebody to write a tune for the poem. Higley's friend Daniel Kelley wrote the melody on his guitar, and the Harlan Brothers Orchestra (composed of Dan Kelley, his wife, Lulu Harlan Kelley, and two of her brothers) proceeded to play it at settlers' meetings, weddings, and other celebrations, where it became a favorite dance tune. Ranchers, cowboys, and other western settlers also adopted the song, and it spread throughout the United States in various forms.

The song was published in 1910 in Cowboy Songs and Other Frontier Ballads by John Lomax, who said that he learned it from a black saloonkeeper in Texas. Its popularity led to a plagiarism suit that created a search for its background (which resulted in the discovery of the historical information described above).

The lyrics published by Lomax were similar to the original poem in some ways but different in others, clearly altered by the folk process. Although not all of the verses were in the same sequence as the original, I'll mention them in the same order so you can more easily compare them to those above. Verses (1), (2), (4) and (5) were quite similar to the original, so I will not take up space by printing them here. But here are the chorus and verses (3) and (6) from the Lomax version.

CHORUS:

Home, home on the range, Where the deer and the antelope play; Where seldom is heard a discouraging word, And the skies are not cloudy all day.

- (3) The red man was pressed from this part of the West He's likely no more to return
 To the banks of Red River where seldom if ever
 Their flickering campfires burn. CHORUS
- (6) Where the air is so pure, the zephyrs so free, The breezes so balmy and light, That I would not exchange my home on the range For all the cities so bright. CHORUS

In 1925, Texas composer David Guion arranged it as sheet music. The song has since gone by a number of names, the most common being "Home on the Range" and "Western Home". It was officially adopted as the state song of Kansas on June 30, 1947. In 2010, members of the Western Writers of America chose it as one of the Top 100 western songs of all time.



Folksongs travel through History. History travels through Folksongs.

The Monkeys' Day Off

By Adam Miller

In my misspent boyhood, I was always so distracted with my own peculiar interests, urges, and compulsions, that I never really had a plan. I learned that sometimes it's better to follow the path of least resistance, like the river, even if it makes you crooked. Destiny is affected by the accidental, the random, and the insignificant, as well as the intentional.

When I was a kid living on First Street in Pacific Grove, California, our next-door neighbor was an organ grinder.

For more than four decades, Phil could be found at the entrance to Monterey's historic Fisherman's Wharf, turning his hand-cranked barrel organ while his monkeys collected coins from delighted tourists. It was one of the big kicks of my boyhood to walk down the railroad tracks to the wharf, beckoned by the distant music of the barrel organ, and await my turn to hold out a nickel. The sensation of the monkey's tiny hand brushing against my fingertips as he deftly removed the coin from my grasp never ceased to both thrill and terrify me.

Fifty years ago, when I knew him, Phil was a long-haired, rather bohemian fellow in his twenties, with sideburns and a waxed mustache. It's not surprising that Phil worked alone with his monkeys. He was kind of a scary guy and we rarely spoke to him. In the early 1970s, Phil shared his home with his two capuchin monkey co-workers, Jimmy and Gomez. The monkeys had their own bedroom, with an enormous cage set in

front of the widow. If you climbed up on the roof of our garage, you could look into the monkeys' bedroom window, just a few feet away.

One fateful day in my thirteenth year, believing that the neighbors were not at home, my brother and I climbed up onto the roof of our garage. We hoped to catch a glimpse of Jimmy and Gomez while off duty, in their bedroom, doing whatever it is that professional monkeys do when they're not plying their trade. Moments later, I happened to glance into the next window. I saw that Phil was not only home, he was not alone and he was not standing up. Although I was a kid, I fully understood the implications of this observation as he glared at me through the bedroom windowpane. Naturally, he reported the "incident" to my disappointed mother. As a consequence for my indiscretion, I was groundedto-home from all activities except public school and, rather arbitrarily, classes at the local Children's Experimental Theater.

So, like the river, I chose the path of least resistance. In order to escape house arrest after school, I began volunteering for as many activities as possible at the Children Theater: acting, fencing, setting lights, building sets, and painting scenery. Through my high school years, I worked at the theater full-time and soon it was my livelihood. This twist of fate began my path to performing on stage and ultimately to my current occupation (the one in which Folksongs travel through History and History travels through Folksongs).

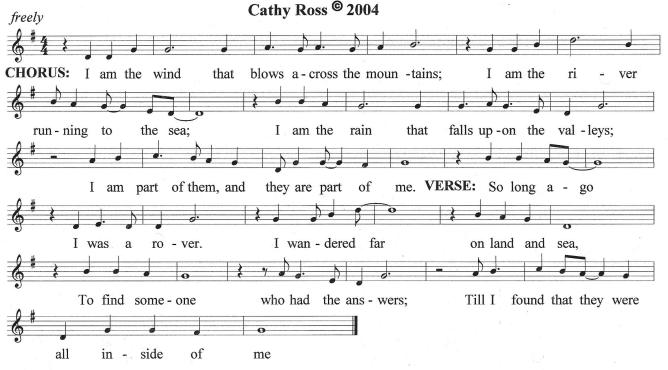
At the web link below, please find a three-page schedule of my upcoming performances in Alabama, California, Florida, Georgia, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Nebraska, Nevada, North Carolina, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Virginia, Washington, and Wisconsin. For more information, visit my on-line calendar:

http://www.folksinging.org/calendar/

Many of my programs are free to the public. I hope to see you at one these shows. I'd be delighted to be invited to perform a concert in your community.

Thanks for your support! © Adam Miller 2019

I AM THE WIND



CHORUS:

I am the wind that blows across the mountains I am the river running to the sea I am the rain that falls upon the valleys I am part of them, and they are part of me.

So long ago I was a rover, I wandered far on land and sea; To find someone who had the answers Till I found that they were all inside of me.

Chorus

I've seen the sun start up a new day
Held back the night with candle's flame
Tasted the wine of love's beginning
Learned to listen when the river called my name.

Chorus

The years unfold just like a flower
The sapling soon becomes a tree
I walk beside my children's children
I am part of them, and they are part of me.

Chorus

The time will come when this life's over As raindrops fall into the sea; And when I'm gone you will remember I'm still part of them, and they are part of me.

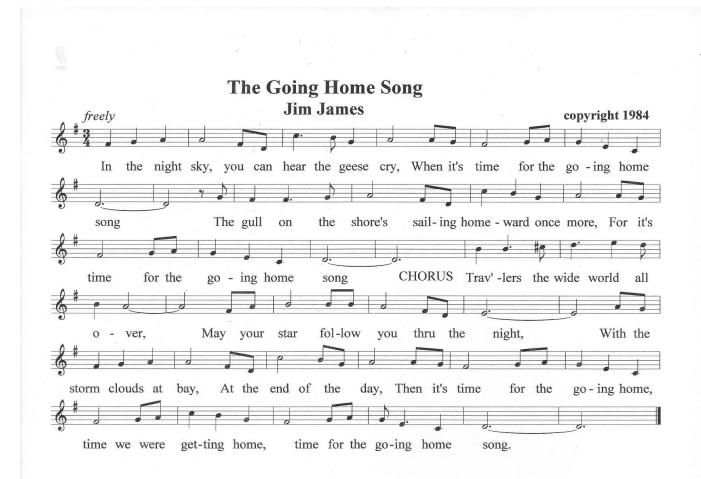
ABOUT THE SINGER & SONGWRITER

Cathy Ross is a singer-songwriter in the Pacific Northwest who has been writing and singing folk music for 30 years and is a long-time member of Seattle Song Circle.

Cathy Ross describes her inspiration for this song: "This song came to me as I was walking with my twin grandsons when they were about one and a half and I realized 'I'm walking with my children's children'. It felt wonderful but I also felt my own mortality – that I wouldn't be there for all of their lives, yet I would always be a part of them, so that inspired the third verse. Over the next few weeks I wrote the other verses and the chorus. Most of my songs come to me that way – a moment in time intensifies a feeling in me and becomes a song or a poem (I published a book of poetry a few years ago)."

By the way, those twin boys are now 15!

This song is on Cathy's CD "Trust the River" She is a singer-songwriter in the Pacific Northwest and has been writing and singing folk music for 30 years. The CD is available via text to 206 817-8472.



In the night sky you can hear the geese cry When it's time for the going home song the gull on the shore sailing homeward once more.

For it's time for the going home song

CHORUS:

Travelers this wide world all over
May your star follow you through the night
With the storm clouds at bay
At the end of the day
then it's time for the going home—
time were were getting home—
Time for the going home song/

The fox on the dunes looking out for the moon When.it's time for the going home song
 The shepherd and dogs wend their way with their flocks.,

For it's time for the going home song

Chorus

3. There'll be peace once again over valley and plain

When it's time for the going home song
While the mist from the sea spins its own mystery
For it's time for the going home song..

Chorus

About the Singer & Songwriter

According to a recent online post on the Mudcat Café, Jim James still sings this song from time to time. In his words: "I still play the Stan Francis 12-string that was mentioned (always known as Bertha!).... STILL sing the song when the time's right but usually on a six-string. For me, the song wrote itself in basically one session (which is unusual for me but magic when it happens)...and actually fulfilled an ambition of mine which was to have a song pass into the tradition and to hear it sung WITHOUT people knowing where it came from or who wrote it....in other words, through the oral tradition. So the song was at least 15 years old before it was recorded... and then in Polish."

Thanks, Jim, for giving us permission to share your commentary with our folk community!

Festivals & Such

Portland Old-Time Music Gathering

Jan 15-19

Held at the Tiffany Center and several other venues in Portland, Oregon. Concerts, square dances, jam sessions, workshops. Details available at http://www.bubbaguitar.com/gathering.

Women's Hearts & Hands Guitar Camp Jan 17-20

Mendocino, CA. Excellent guitar instruction by and for women in a supportive, beautiful environment. Beginner - Advanced Intermediate. Folk, Blues, Jazz, Fingerstyle, Celtic, Brazilian, Chord Melody, Theory, Alternate Tunings, Performance Opportunities. Song Circles. Delicious, nutritious catered meals. Information: 707-869-9642 or see <www.WomensHeartsAndHands.com>.

Pacific Songwriting Camp Jan 16-20

A four-day gathering for songwriters that will take place at the spectacular Camp Ocean Pines overlooking the Pacific in Cambria, California. An all-levels buffet of classes in songwriting, guitar, singing, harmony, performance. Students and teachers alike will share songs, information and insights, trade stories and perform for the community. Register through Camp Ocean Pines at < <ht> < https://www.oceanpinesretreats.org/upcomingworkshops-1/2020/1/16/pacific-songwriting-camp> or by phone at (805) 924-4016. INFO: email info@songcamps.org or visit the website <https://songcamps.org/>

Winter Music Festival Jan 24-26

Now in it's 18th year, the Winter Music Festival features world-class acoustic music and music-related opportunities. The 18th annual festival will be held at the the Florence Events Center (FEC) in Florence, Oregon. Information and tickets: https://wintermusicfestival.org/winter-musicfestival

Olympia Old-Time Music Festival Feb 13-16

The Olympia Old-Time Music Festival in Olympia, Washington is dedicated to teaching, learning, and participating in the sharing of traditional old-time fiddle music. Enjoy a long weekend of jamming, dancing, learning, and free workshops.

Wintergrass

INFO: http://olyoldtime.weebly.com/

Held at the Hyatt Regency, Bellevue, WA. Features workshops in fiddle, banjo, mandolin, guitar, clogging and more; a youth academy for kids aged 7 to 14, and a youth orchestra! Details < http://wintergrass.com/ >.

Chanteys:

African American and Caribbean Connection Feb TBD

Aboard the 1890 Ferry Eureka, Hyde Street Pier. Discover African American and Caribbean-based maritime work songs in this singalong program led by Park Ranger Peter Kasin and Park Volun-teer Richard Adrianowicz. Ships admission: Adults, \$15. Ages 15 and under, free. Ticket good for 7 days from date of purchase. Free with national park passes and for active military with current military I D

No reservations necessary. Ticket booth located halfway along Hyde Street Pier. opens 9:30am. Information: http://www.nps.gov/safr/ or 415-447-5000.

From Slaves to Sailors: The Voyage to Freedom Feb TBD See the Hyde Street Pier ticket booth that day for location (indoors or outdoors depending on weather).

No admission fee. Information; http://www.nps.gov/safr/ or 415-447-5000.

The African-American path to freedom sometimes led to the sea. Slaves escaped servitude by going to sea, and Quaker whaling captains helped them acquire their freedom. Join park Ranger Peter Kasin for this informal "table talk." Books and photos will also be displayed.

Sonora Celtic Faire March 6-8

The oldest and largest Celtic Faire on the West Coast. Celebrating the cultures of Ireland, Scotland, Cornwall, Wales, and all Celtic nations. Scottish and Irish Clans, belly dance troupes, Scottish dancers, Irish step dancers, Celtic Windows in Time (featuring 600 costumed reenactors and 2500 years of Celtic history), real jousting on horseback, armored foot combat, Welsh longbow archery, street performers, a giant, a fire breathing dragon, Vikings, jugglers, magicians and a fire eater. Info at:http://sonoracelticfaire.com

Walker Creek Music Camp April 16-19

Walker Creek Ranch (www.walkercreekranch.org) west of Petaluma, an hour from the metropolitan Bay Area. Bluegrass, old-time, and swing; instrumental and vocal instruction, a wide array of elective classes, dancing, concerts, lots of jamming. Spring 2019 camp includes an Irish Music Track. Musicians of all ages welcome. Instructors: Mollie O'Brien and Rich Moore, Steve Kaufman, Steve Pottier, Anne Luna, Annie Staninec, Steve Baughman, Ivan Rosenberg, Don Julin, Keith Little, Orville Johnson, Tatiana Hargreaves, Leela Grace, Liz Carroll, Maria Fibish, Daithi Sproule, and Michael Black. Registration opens January 15th. For information see: http://www.walkercreekmusiccamp.org/ director Ingrid Noyes at 415-663-6030

California Autoharp Gathering May 12-17

Held at the St. Nicholas Ranch, Dunlap, CA, featuring a great staff of musical artists. Early Bird sessions May 14-16. Register early, the gathering is a sell-out every year. For registration and more info:

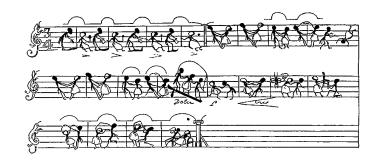
http://calautoharp.com/ or contact Director Mike Mueller at 559-994-8215.

Steve Kaufman's AFebs2ie Kamps:

Old-Time and Traditional Week Bluegrass Week

Jun 14-20 Jun 21-27

Old-time and Traditional Week features mountain dulcimer, old-time fiddle, old-time banjo, songwriting, bass, and fingerstyle and flatpicking guitar. Bluegrass Week features flatpicking, bluegrass banjo, bluegrass fiddle, mandolin, bass, vocals, and dobro. Held at Maryville College in the foothills of the Great Smoky Mountains (17 miles south of Knoxville, Tennessee), where you are surrounded by love, joy, excitement, and MUSIC! Full INFO and brochure available at: http://www.flatpik.com/>





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2nd,4th Acoustic slow jam, 16905 Roberts, Los Gatos 7pm 408-395-0767 Last Irish session, Fox & Goose: R & 10th, Sacramento 7pm 916-443-8825

WEDNESDAY EveryOther Singers circle, Davis, call for location 7:30pm 530-297-7780 Folk Dance, Live OakPk: 1301 Shattuck Ave, Berkeley 7:45 510-841-1205 Every Every Bluegrass jam, Unitarian: 505 E. Charleston, Palo Alto 7pm Irish Ceoiltais (slow jam), St. Isabella's, San Rafael 7pm 415-479-5610 Every Family sing-along, Library: 1247 Marin, Albany 4:30 510-526-3720x16 Every Celtic session, London Br: Fisherman's Wharf#2, Monterey 8pm Every Peninsula Banjo Band, 390 Saratoga, San Jose 7pm 408-993-2263 Every Ukulele jam, beach @2222 E. Cliff Dr, Santa Cruz 4-5:30pm Int'l Folk Dance, 50 Scott, SF 10:45am 415-902-7690 Every Every Open mic, Fireside Lounge: 1453 Webster, Alameda 8pm 510-864-1244 Every Every EB Banjo Club, 1938 Oak Park Blvd, Pleasant Hill 7pm 707-731-0198

Scandinavian Dance, 3115 Butters Dr, Oakland 7:30-11pm 510-654-3636 Slooow session, Unity Temple: 407 Broadway, Santa Cruz 11am-12 kids sea music, Hyde Street Pier, SF 2-3pm 415-447-5000 Sing the Beatles, Chit Chat Café, Pacifica 2-4:30pm 650-738-2380 Israeli dancing, St Paul's.: 1399 43rd @ Judah, SF 7:30pm 408-406-6766 Bluegrass slow jam, Dublin Heritage Center 2-4pm 925-452-2100 Contra dance, Coloma Com Center: 4623 T, Sacramento 7p 916-549-7093 Contra dance, 625 Hamilton, Palo Alto 8pm bacds.org Barn, Pie Ranch: 2080 Cabrillo Hwy, Pescadero 6pm 650-879-0995 English Country dance, 2138 Cedar St., Berkeley 7:30pm bacds.org Contra dance, 465 Morris St, Sebastopol 8pm info@nbcds.org Irish session potluck, 1665 High St, Auburn 4-9pm 530-885-4292

Contra, Monroe: 1400 W. College, Santa Rosa 8pm info@nbcds.org

Submissions for next folknik: Deadline: Friday Feb 7. Send items by e-mail to appropriate page editor.

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<u>DECEMBER</u> Happy Solsthannukhamas-zaa!!!

13-15 Christmas Revels, 1st Congregational Church, Oakland 510-452-9334

13-14 Kitka, St. Paul's: 114 Montecito Ave, Oakland 8pm kitka.org 13F **SFFMClub**, Cyprian's: 2097 Turk St, SF 8pm 510-417-7162 Peter Rowan/Free Mexican Airforce, Freight: 2020 Addison, Berkeley 8pm Ira Marlowe, Monkey House, Berkeley 7:30pm themonkeyhouse.org Sylvia Herold & Chuck Ervin, Ugly Mug, Soquel 7:30pm 408-499-9441 Lúcy Kaplansky, HopMonk: 224 Vintage Way, Novato 8:30p 415-892-6200 Danú, GMC: Weill Hall, Sonoma State 7:30pm 866-955-6040 Steve Baughman, house, Davis 530-753-3472 wjwagman@dcn.org Golden Bough, The Palms: 13 Main, Winters 530-758-8058

T Sisters, Freight & Salvage: 2020 Addison, Berkeley 8pm 510-644-2020 Bobby Black, Back Room: 1984 Bonita, Berkeley 8pm 510-654-3808
Cahalen Morrison, house, Berkeley 7:30pm 510-525-9248 fifthstfarms.com
Moonshine Jelly/Fog Holler, Berkeley 7:30pm themonkeyhouse.org
Living Room Choir, 15 Santa Fe, El Cerrito 7pm thelivingroom-Willie Watson, HopMonk: 224 Vintage Way, Novato 8pm 415-892-6200 Steve & Sylvia, house concert, Santa Rosa 7:30pm scottn@sonic.net Danú, Mondavi Center, UC Davis 8pm 866-754-2787 Lucy Kaplansky, The Palms: 13 Main, Winters 530-758-8058

15-16 Christmas Jug Band, Sweetwater, Mill Valley 415-388-1100

15Su community sing w/Kitka, Preservation Park, Oakland 5pm kitka.org free! Lucy Kaplansky, Freight: 2020 Addison, Berkeley 7pm 510-644-2020 Mission Hot Club, house concert, Oakland 2pm 510-652-1091 Bobby Jo Valentine/Emily Zisman, house, Sebastopol 1pm insidelands.org Rainbow Girls, Hopmonk: 230 Petaluma Ave, Sebastopol 7p 707-829-7300 Dustbowl Revival, Felton Music Hall: 6275 Hwy 9, Felton 8p 831-704-7113 West Coast Songwriters, Freight, Berkeley 7:30pm 510-644-2020

16M Danú, Bankhead Theater: 2400 First, Livermore 7:30pm 925-373-6800 Mark O'Connor, Luther Burbank Center, Santa Rosa 7:30p 707-546-3600

 17Tu Maria Muldaur/John Jorgenson, Freight, Berkeley 8pm 510-644-2020
 Jordan Tice, house concert, Richmond 7:30pm rsvpcasaverde@gmail.com
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Strings holiday benefit, 6320 San Pablo, Emeryville 8pm 510-653-5700 SWAG Holiday, Freight: 2020 Addison, Berkeley 8pm 510-644-2020 Irish Christmas in America, Kuumbwa, Santa Cruz 7:30pm 831-464-9778 19Th Molly's Revenge, 146 Twelfth St, Pacific Grove 7:30pm 831-224-3819

20-22 Christmas Revels, 1st Congregational Church, Oakland 510-452-9334 Will Ackerman/Barbara Higbie/etc., Freight, Berkeley 8pm 510-644-2020

Big Brave Dog/M.Torres/A.Hollow, Berkeley 7:30 themonkeyhouse.org The Crooked Jades, house, Richmond 7:30pm rsvpcasaverde@gmail.com Trace Bundy, Freight&Salvage: 2020 Addison, Berkeley 8p 510-644-2020

Golden Bough, Old First: 1751 Sacramento, SF 8pm 415-474-1608 Francesca Lee/Fiver Brown/Matt Herrero, Sausalito 7pm insidelands.org Hot Club of SF, 550 E. Remington Drive, Sunnyvale 8pm 408-730-7727

Kugelplex, Freight & Salvage: 2020 Addison, Berkeley 7pm 510-644-2020 Kitka, Old First: 1751 Sacramento, SF 4pm 415-474-1608

Matt Jaffe, Sweetwater: 19 Corte Madera, Mill Valley 7pm 415-388-1100 27-28 Charlie Musselwhite, Freight: 2020 Addison, Berkeley 8pm 510-644-2020 27-1/1/20 SFFMC Camp New Harmony, Walker Creek Ranch, Petaluma

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29-30 Vienna Teng, Freight & Salvage: 2020 Addison, Berkeley 510-644-2020 29Sa Green Leaf Rustlers, Felton Music: 6275 Hwy 9, Felton 8pm 831-704-7113
 Peppino D'Agostino, Michael's: 2591 Main, Soquel 2pm 831-479-9777
 30M "Sing For Your Life", 1st Congregational, Oakland noon-12am circlesing.org

Rodney Miller & Jeff Spero, SantaClaraHouseConcerts@yahoo.com Jane Bunnett/Louie Romero, Freight, Berkeley 9pm 510-644-2020

High Country/Sam Rudin/etc., Back Room, Berkeley 8pm 510-654-3808

JANUARY 2020

ARY 2020 Happy New Year!!!
Song circle, Monkey House, Berkeley 7:15pm themonkeyhouse.org 2 Th Cris Williamson, Freight: 2020 Addison, Berkeley 7:30pm 510-644-2020

Gary Blackburn/Rayburn Brothers, Felton Music Hall 8pm 831-704-7113
Jenny Kerr Band, Murphy's: 464 1st St E, Sonoma 8pm 707-935-0660
Terra Incognita, house, Berkeley 7:30pm 510-525-9248 fifthstfarms.com
Dennis Johnson/Mississippi Ramblers, Felton Music Hall 8p 831-704-7113 4 Sa

3 Acre Holler, 425 Morris, Sebastopol 3pm 707-823-1511 seb.org 6 M open mic, Freight&Salvage: 2020 Addison, Berkeley 7:30pm 510-644-2020

8 W Justin Townes Earle, Felton Music Hall: 6275 Hwy 9 8pm 831-704-7113 Syncopaths, house, Santa Clara SantaClaraHouseConcerts@yahoo.com

9 Th SFFMClub, Cyprian's: 2097 Turk St, SF 8pm 510-417-7162 10F John McCutcheon, Freight: 2020 Addison, Berkeley 8pm 510-644-2020

 11-12 Mark Hummel's Blues Harmonica, Freight, Berkeley 510-644-2020
 11Sa To Wake You/Roberts, Bazaar Café, SF 7p insidelandsmusic@gmail.com David Jacobs-Strain/Bob Beach, 2097 Turk St, SF 8pm 415-454-5238 Ric Robertson, house, Richmond 7:30pm rsvpcasaverde@gmail.com Paul Kamm & Eleanor MacDonald, house concert, Davis 530-753-3472

Snaps for Sinners, Los Altos 7:30pm Meetup: South Bay House Concerts EB Fiddlin' & Pickin', 1032 Alvarado Rd, Berkeley 12-5 510-704-1813 Ramblin' Jack Elliott, The Chapel: 777 Valencia, SF 3pm 415-551-5157 Jenny Kerr/Keller Sisters, Club Fox, Redwood City 7:30 877-435-9849

Graham Patzner/K.McKinley/etc., Sweetwater, Mill Valley 7p 415-388-1100 John McCutcheon, Sebastiani: 476 1st East, Sonoma 7:30 707-996-9756 **SFFMC Board Mtg**, 419 Euclid Ave, Oakland 6:30 510-817-4028 see p2 13M 14Tu Fru Skagerrak, house, Santa Cruz 7:30pm Concerts@InstantHarmony.com

Cheikh Lo, Freight & Salvage: 2020 Addison, Berkeley 8pm 510-644-2020 SVER/Fru Skagerrak, Michael's: 2591 Main, Soquel 7:30pm 831-479-9777

16Th SVER/Fru Skagerrak, Freight: 2020 Addison, Berkeley 8pm 510-644-2020 17-20 Women's Hearts & Hands Guitar Camp, Mendocino 415-827-1513

The Special Consensus, Firehouse, Pleasanton 8pm 925-931-4848

18-19 Juan de Marcos/Afro-Cuban All Stars, Freight, Berkeley 510-644-2020 18Sa Devine's Jug Band, Back Room: 1984 Bonita, Berkeley 8pm 510-654-3808

John McCutcheon, 55 Eckley Lane, Walnut Creek 8pm 925-934-3135 Lonesome Ace Stringband, house, Los Gatos 7:30pm 408-655-3333 19Su

Lonesome Ace Stringband, Berkeley 7:30 510-525-9248 fifthstfarms.com Sweet Honey in the Rock, Rio:1205 Soquel, SantaCruz 7:30 831-427-2227

21Tu 3MA, Freight & Salvage: 2020 Addison, Berkeley 8pm 510-644-2020

The Special Consensus, Freight: 2020 Addison, Berkeley 8p 510-644-2020 Lonesome Ace Stringband, 99 6th St, Santa Rosa 7pm 707-479-5529 22W

David Wilcox, Freight: 2020 Addison, Berkeley 8pm 510-644-2020 Lonesome Ace Stringband, The Palms, Winters 8pm 530-758-8058

24-26 Bluegrass on Broadway, Redwood City ncbs.info/events/bob

24-26 Django Reinhardt Birthday Celebration, Freight, Berkeley 510-644-2020
 24F SFFMClub, Cyprian's: 2097 Turk St, SF 8pm 510-417-7162

Briget Boyle/Michael Bang/Ben Grant, Berkeley 7:30 themonkeyhouse.org Brewster & Hannah/A.Griffin, San Rafael insidelandsmusic@gmail.com Alberto Lombardi, house concert, Santa Rosa 7:30pm scottn@sonic.net

Jet Black Pearl, house concert, Oakland 2pm 510-652-1091 John McEuen, Sweetwater: 19 Corte Madera, Mill Valley 8p 415-388-1100 26Su Radim Zenkl, house concert, Auburn 3pm 530-885-4292

The KTO Project, Freight: 2020 Addison, Berkeley 8pm 510-644-2020 28Tu Jim & Susie Malcolm, house concert, Soquel 7:30pm celticsociety.org

Ranky Tanky, Freight: 2020 Addison, Berkeley 8pm 510-644-2020 Jim & Susie Malcolm, house concert, SF 7:30pm dancegirl@earthlink.net 29W

Loudon Wainwright III, Freight: 2020 Addison, Berkeley 8pm 510-644-2020 Jim & Susie Malcolm, house concert, Berkeley 7:30pm 707-337-0498 Ranky Tanky, Kuumbwa: 320 Cedar, Santa Cruz 7pm 831-427-2227 Keola Beamer/H.Kapono, Luther Burbank, Santa Rosa 8p 707-546-3600

31-2/1 Booker T. Jones, Freight: 2020 Addison, Berkeley 8pm 510-644-2020 Ranky Tanky, Sweetwater: 19 Corte Madera, Mill Valley 9pm 415-388-1100 Greeninger/Kai/Eaglesmith & Ginn, Rio, Santa Cruz 7:30 831-479-9421

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FEBRUARY

McIntosh & Zelinsky/Webber, San Anselmo insidelandsmusic@gmail.com Rita Hosking, house, Richmond 7:30pm rsvpcasaverde@gmail.com Loudon Wainwright III, HopMonk: 224 Vintage, Novato 1pm 415-892-6200 Blame Sally, HopMonk: 224 Vintage Way, Novato 8pm 415-892-6200 Keola Beamer/Henry Kapono, Freight, Berkeley 7pm 510-644-2020

Dirty Cello, Cinnabar: 3333 Petaluma Blvd N, Petaluma 7:30 707-763-8920 Rebecca Richman/Kyle Alden, 425 Morris, Sebastopol 3pm 707-823-1511

Jim & Susie Malcolm, house, Davis 530-753-3472 wjwagman@dcn.org Songwriters open mic, Lost Church: 65 Capp, SF 6:30 kcturnermusic.com Alasdair Fraser/Natalie Haas, Freight, Berkeley 8pm 510-644-2020 4 Tu

6 Th The Riverside, house, Santa Clara SantaClaraHouseConcerts@yahoo.com

Jackie Greene, Felton Music Hall: 6275 Hwy 9, Felton 8pm 831-704-7113
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Tom Russell, Freight&Salvage: 2020 Addison, Berkeley 8pm 510-644-2020 Glen Phillips, Amado's: 998 Valencia, SF 8pm 415-872-9110 Sam Cohen/Sam Evian/etc., Sweetwater, Mill Valley 9pm 415-388-1100

Iris DeMent, Freight&Salvage: 2020 Addison, Berkeley 8pm 510-644-2020 Chris Pureka, house concert, SF 2pm kcturnermusic.com Adam Levy, house concert, SF 7pm kcturnermusic.com

EB Fiddlin' & Pickin', Vets: 1325 Portland, Albany 12-5 510-526-4423 St. Louis Steady Grinders, house concert, Oakland 2pm 510-652-1091 Oakland Interfaith Gospel Choir, Freight, Berkeley 7pm 510-644-2020 Glen Phillips, HopMonk: 224 Vintage Way, Novato 7pm 415-892-6200 Beryl & Nicole, Back Room: 1984 Bonita, Berkeley 8pm 510-654-3808

SFFMC Board Mtg, 824 Lincoln Ave #B, Alameda 6:30 510-523-6533 p2

Denson/Pilon/Blade, Freight: 2020 Addison, Berkeley 8pm 510-644-2020 Kumakaiwa Kanaka'ole, Freight: 2020 Addison, Berkeley 8p 510-644-2020 Alasdair Fraser & Natalie Haas, Kuumbwa, Santa Cruz 7:30 831-479-9421 12W 13Th Revelers, Freight & Salvage: 2020 Addison, Berkeley 8pm 510-644-2020

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15Sa Toshi Reagon/be steadwell, Freight, Berkeley 8pm 510-644-2020 AJ Lee & Blue Summit, Richmond 7:30pm rsvpcasaverde@gmail.com Ladysmith Black Mambazo, Mondavi Center, UC Davis 2pm 866-754-2787 Maurice Tani/77 El Deora, 550 E. Remington, Sunnyvale 8p 408-730-7727 Hawktail, Michael's: 2591 Main, Soquel 8:30pm 831-479-9777

Hawktail, Freight & Salvage: 2020 Addison, Berkeley 7pm 510-644-2020 Ladysmith Black Mambazo, Raven, Healdsburg 7pm 707-433-6335 Riders in the Sky, Bankhead: 2400 First, Livermore 3pm 925-373-6800

Ani Difranco, Rio: 1205 Soquel, Santa Cruz 8pm 831-423-7970 Marcia Ball/Sonny Landreth, Freight, Berkeley 8pm 510-644-2020 18Tu

19W Robbie Fulks, Felton Music Hall: 6275 Hwy 9, Felton 8pm 831-704-7113

Albert Cummings, Freight: 2020 Addison, Berkeley 8pm 510-644-2020 20Th JD Souther, Freight & Salvage: 2020 Addison, Berkeley 8pm 510-644-2020
22-23 Ladysmith Black Mambazo, Freight: 2020 Addison, Berkeley 510-644-2020
Willy Porter, house concert, SF 7pm kcturnermusic.com

23Su Téada, St Mary's: 146 Twelfth St, Pacific Grove 831-224-3819

25Tu Carnival 2020 w/Tammy Hall, Freight, Berkeley 8pm 510-644-2020 Tom Paxton/Don Juans, HopMonk, Novato 8pm 415-892-6200

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Tom Paxton/Don Juans/Amy Speace, Freight, Berkeley 8pm 510-644-2020 Maeve Donnelly/K.Alden, Santa Cruz 7:30 Concerts@InstantHarmony.com The Chieftains, Sunset Ctr. San Carlos @9th, Carmel 8pm 831-620-2048 Paper Wings, house concert, Davis 530-753-3472 wjwagman@dcn.org Téada, The Palms: 13 Main, Winters 530-758-8058

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The Chieftains, Zellerbach, UC Berkeley 8pm 510-642-9988 Martha Redbone Roots Project, Freight, Berkeley 8pm 510-644-2020 Tom Paxton/Don Juans, Kuumbwa, Santa Cruz 7:30pm 831-479-9421 Paper Wings, house concert, Auburn 7pm 530-401-6381

Flor de Toloache, Freight: 2020 Addison, Berkeley 8pm 510-644-2020 Solstice, Wisteria Ways house concert, Oakland 7:30pm 510-698-2456
Duo Quartet, HopMonk: 224 Vintage Way, Novato 1pm 415-892-6200

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Websites of Interest

by Marlene McCall

Music theory for musicians and normal people. https://tobyrush.com/theorypages/index.html

Guitar chords and guitar scales. www.chordbook.com.

Virtual piano. www.virtualpiano.net.

Extensive database showing which artists covered/recorded which songs, and also providing excellent writing credits. www.secondhandsongs.com.

Traditional ballad index of folk songs from the English-speaking world. www.fresnostate.edu/folklore/contents.html.

A folk song a week. www.afolksongaweek.wordpress.com.

Mainly Norfolk: English folk and other good music. www.mainlyNorfolk.info/folk/index.html.

Music open mics in the San Francisco Bay Area. www.joerizzo.com/openmics/index.htm.

Free online guitar tuner. www.8notes.com/guitar_tuner/.

The John Quincy Wolf collection of Ozark folk song. http://web.lyon.edu/wolfcollection/

Transposition chart. www.musicnotes.com/now/tips/learn-transpose-music/.



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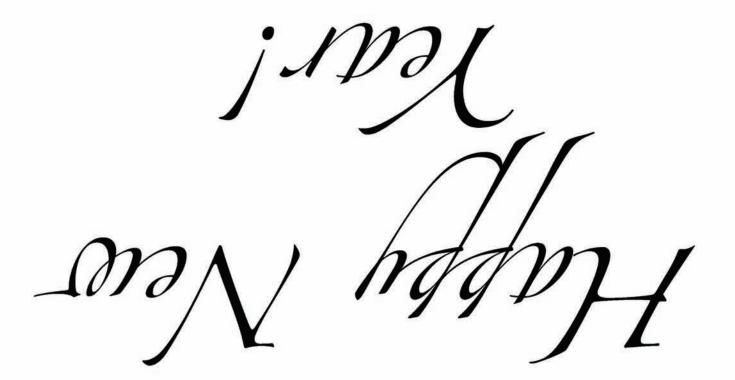
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