

# The Cotton Patch

## Rag!

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# April 13, 2025 6pm

5308 Buffalo Speedway  
(St Andrew's Presbyterian Church)  
Houston, TX 77005

## SECOND SUNDAY CONCERTS Presents

**Dana Cooper's** musical journey began at the young age of 2 when his father would prop him on the bar to sing along with the jukebox. From Missouri, Cooper was surrounded by the sounds of classic country and folk music. Enamored with the guitar he taught himself to play and to harmonize. By his teenage years, Cooper was performing in coffee houses and clubs. He remains driven by his pure love for songwriting and performing, bringing people together through



virtuosity and vulnerability has earned him a lifetime of devoted fans.

~<https://www.danacoopermusic.com/>



**Ed Amash will open** Lover of anything acoustic!  
And the occasional rock and roll and jazz too!

~<https://www.facebook.com/people/Ed-Amash-Music/100063784991180/>

Second Sunday Concert is presented by the Houston Folklore and Music Society, a nonprofit organization dedicated to the promotion of singer-songwriters working in the folk music traditions. Tickets are \$20 per person - sold at the door. Children under 12 are free (must be accompanied by an adult). **STUDENTS GET IN FREE WITH STUDENT ID!** Concerts are held at St Andrew's Presbyterian. Visit our website, [www.houstonfolkmusic.org](http://www.houstonfolkmusic.org) or contact [Jim Gill](mailto:Jim.Gill@saHouston.com) [jim@saHouston.com](mailto:jim@saHouston.com) for more information.

# COMING EVENTS

## HFMS Song Circle

Tuesday, April 2, 2025

(First Tuesday) 7:00 PM

## Midtown Bar & Grill

Upstairs



## **Monthly Pickin' Party**

April 27, 2025

(Normally the 3rd Sunday every month!,  
but since Easter is the 3rd Sunday,  
we're making an exception)

**April Artist—Share your Folk Hero:**  
Come with a set from your personal fave  
and share a bit about the artist.

## **Gary's Place**

518 Fair Oaks Dr.  
Stafford, TX

2:00 pm snack\* and socialize

3:00 pm pick-n-play

\*bring anything you like!

## **Second Sunday Concerts**

May 2025      Daniel Neihoff    Audrey Bryant opens

September 2025    Jack Motley and Butch Morgan song swap

October 2025    Sara Beth Go and Nathan K song swap



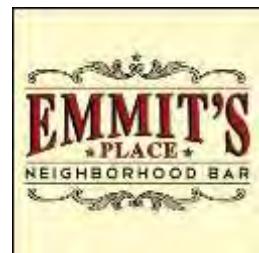
# LOCAL FOLKIN'!

Community Folk Music Calendars, Venues and Other Concert Resources  
in and around the Houston Metro Area— *Images are Live Links!*

- Search by genre or your favorite band
- Create your own schedule/calendar
- Get email updates



## LIVE MUSIC VENUES



### FULSHEAR HOUSE CONCERTS

JOHNSON STUDIO



WHITE OAK  
MUSIC HALL

Goode Co.  
ARMADILLO PALACE

kojak's  
(Fresh Innotated!)

Haak  
WINES  
Last Concert

Houston  
Botanic  
Garden

MAIN STREET  
CROSSING

The Red Brick  
Tavern

McGonigel's  
MUCKY DUCK



## GET YOUR JAM ON!



Luka BBQ Steak House  
Tuesdays 7:00–9:00



HOLeTON STORYTELLERS GUILD  
4th Tuesdays  
7:00–8:30 PM



HOUSTON DISTRICT  
Mondays & Tuesdays  
Scottish Country Dance  
Register Here!



Every Wednesday, 6–8 pm



Wednesdays 12:30 pm  
& Monthly Jams



Monthly Saturday Jam

## TWINKLE YOUR TOES!



European Dance Guild  
2nd & 4th Thursdays, 6–8 pm

## FOR THE KIDS!



# LOCAL EVENTS

Kenneth D. Welch Outdoor Learning Center  
39th Annual Folk Life Festival  
Saturday, April 5, 2025  
10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.



NRG Park  
April 4-6, 2025

GALVESTON  
COUNTY FAIR AND  
RODEO

Annual Czech Spring Festival  
April 5, 2025



April 26-27, 2025



May 17, 2025

3:30—9:00 pm

Discovery Green



17 Farmers Markets to Explore in  
Houston

From fresh produce, eggs, and prepared meals to pet goods and supplies, shop 'til you drop at these bountiful markets



## UPCOMING TEXAS EVENTS



April 5-6, 2025



Weekends March 1—April 20, 2025



April 25-27, 2025



San Antonio Bluebonnet Ball

April 5, 2025



Chappel Hill Bluebonnet Festival

April 12-13, 2025



# UPCOMING & UPDATED FOLKLORE AND MUSICAL EVENTS AROUND THE US



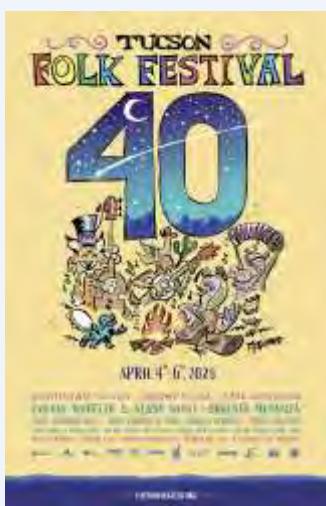
Delaware Water Gap, PA

April 26, 2025



Walker Creek  
MUSIC CAMP

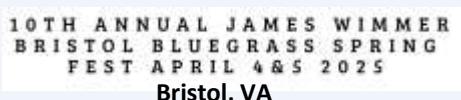
SF Bay Area, CA  
April 25-28, 2025



Lodi, CA  
April 15-21, 2025



La Tuna, Baja California Sur  
April 24-26, 2025



Oakboro, NC  
April 10-12, 2025



Camp Sturtevant, CA  
May 23-26, 2025



Young Tradition Festival 2025  
May 9-10 in Burlington, VT

May 23-26, 2025



May 23-25, 2025



MIGHTY UKE DAY 15  
May 9 - 11, 2025 • East Lansing MI  
REGISTRATION OPEN NOW!



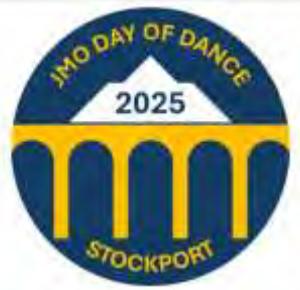
Bentonville, AR  
May 16-17 2025



FRIDAY-SUNDAY  
MAY 2-4, 2025

NEVADA COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS, GRASS VALLEY, CA

# UPCOMING & UPDATED FOLKLORE AND MUSICAL EVENTS AROUND THE WORLD



Day of Morris Dancing  
Stockport, UK  
April 26, 2025



11-15 April 2025

## NATIONAL FOLK FEST

Canberra, Australia  
April 17-21, 2025



Filey (North Yorkshire Coast) UK

## 57<sup>th</sup> MORPETH NORTHUMBRIAN GATHERING



April 25—27, 2025



## Scandimoot 2025

This year's Scandimoot will take place from Fri 2nd May to Mon 5th May (BH weekend) in and around Clapham, North Yorkshire



May 2—5, 2025



2nd - 4th May



16<sup>th</sup>—19<sup>th</sup> May 2025  
Bracklesham  
Ukulele Weekends



## Shetland Folk Festival

Shetland

May 1-4, 2025



## Mull Music Festival

Isle of Mull

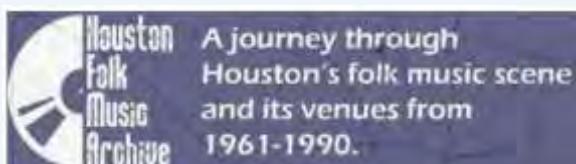
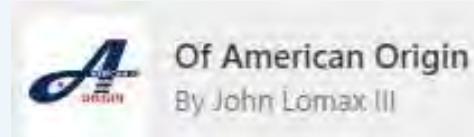
April 24-27, 2025

## JUST FOLKIN' AROUND

Virtual resources for learnin', partakin', or just listenin'!



[Greenwich Village Folk Concerts](#)



[FREIGHT & SALVAGE](#)  
[LEARN TO PLAY AT THE FREIGHT!](#)



[Sights & Sounds](#)



[PMFF 2nd-Saturday Virtual Chantey Sing](#)  
Feb. 10, 2024 - Mar. 11, 2025 (11 Times)

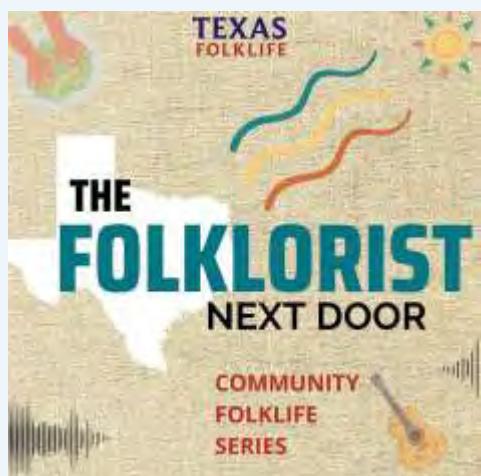


[f](#) [s](#) [g](#) [w](#) [Dance Storytelling Concerts](#)

THE OULD SOD VIRTUAL TRADITIONAL IRISH SESSION ON ZOOM



[Google Map of Old Time Jams, Festivals, Fiddle Contests, Irish Sessions, and Contra Dance Bands in the US and Around the World! \\*confirm local listings\\*](#)



[Any Sunday Songwriters](#)

**Chorus**  
an online community for the folk music industry by Folk Alliance International

# **Volunteer(s) Needed**

**HFSM needs folkie(s) for the following:**

## **Membership management -**

- send out renewal reminders via sendpulse\* and monitor for new members/donations on Google Drive\*\*
- email thank yous to donors and members after payment\*
- transfer data to spreadsheet for bulk email\*\*
- mail lifetime membership certificates

## **Bulk email -**

- compress and upload newsletter to Google Drive
- create cover template and email newsletter to paid members monthly via systeme.io\*\*\*
- create cover template and email HFMS only events email to unpaid subscribers\*\*\*
- remove unsubscribes and bounces from spreadsheet\*\*

## **Website - (via site.pro)**

- Upload a compressed copy of the song of the month to the audio archive and providing a link to YouTube video
- Update the fond memories page with any new passings
- Post the next Second Sunday Concert and add any future performers
- Updating the list of past performers and links

**SOME TECHNICAL ABILITY IS DEFINITELY REQUIRED** some coaching provided to the right individual(s)

**PLEASE EMAIL: [houfolkmusic@gmail.com](mailto:houfolkmusic@gmail.com) to inquire**

**THANK YOU!**



**JOIN US, INVITE YOUR FRIENDS  
OR BUY THEM A GIFT MEMBERSHIP!**

Started in June 1951, Houston Folklore and Music Society (HFMS) is a non-profit, membership organization dedicated to the preservation of folk music (*from the German word Volksmusik meaning "people's music"*), and promotion of singer-songwriters working in the folk music traditions. In 1980, HFMS started hosting concerts and 100% of concert proceeds have gone to the artists! We are a 100% volunteer organization presenting: traditional folk ♫ bluegrass ♫ country music ♫ old time ♫ blues ♫ acoustic jazz ♫ other Americana/Roots music ♫ European and Celtic folk ♫ Mexican and South American, and the list goes on... You never know who will turn up at a **Second Sunday Concert!**

Members receive our monthly digital newsletter, *The Cotton Patch Rag* (*with extensive local resources and worldwide events*) and the satisfaction of supporting and promoting live music in the greater Houston area. **Dues are \$20 (one email address) individual membership, and \$35 (two email addresses) joint membership.**

**Join us online at Online Memberships.** Or if your preference is snail mail,  this form can be printed and mailed with a check payable to Houston Folklore and Music Society, P O Box 16013, Sugar Land, TX 77496.

**MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION (for a fillable form, click the PRINT icon)**

New Membership       Renewal       Re-Joining

Is this a new address?     Yes     No    Today's Date:

NAME(s):

STREET

CITY

STATE

ZIP

PHONE

(wk)

E-MAIL (1):

E-MAIL (2):

Enclosed is     \$20 Annual Dues     \$35 Annual Dues

***Thank you!***

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