

## Steps & Notes

### Old Time Rollick April 1-3 (Sold Out)

We're thrilled to announce that Bruce Molsky and Debra Clifford's brand new Old Time weekend immersion camp at Ashokan has sold out with a wait list. Anyone who missed out may want to check out our Southern Week, August 14-20. A week of Appalachian, Old Time, Cajun and Zydeco music and dance.

**More info about Southern Week at [ashokan.org/southern-week](http://ashokan.org/southern-week)  
Sign up early for Old Time Rollick 2017 at [ashokan.org/old-time-rollick](http://ashokan.org/old-time-rollick)**



### Alasdair Fraser & Natalie Haas Trad String Fling & Concert April 29-May 1

Alasdair Fraser and Natalie Haas host their third annual weekend at Ashokan. World-class Scottish traditional musicians and teachers, their workshops are a fantastic learning experience and tremendous fun for all.

The workshop is geared towards intermediate and advanced players but less experienced musicians are welcome to attend. Fiddle coaches Lilly Pearlman and Aldo Lavaggi will be on hand all weekend to help out, along with Quena Crain, who'll call the Saturday night dance! Tunes and techniques will be taught, with a strong emphasis on self-expression, finding your inner musician and bringing the music to life.

Join us for the weekend camp, or for Alasdair and Natalie's gala concert on Sunday, May 1 at 3:00pm. **Registration for workshop and/or concert tickets at [ashokan.org/fraser-haas-weekend](http://ashokan.org/fraser-haas-weekend)**



**Alasdair Fraser & Natalie Haas**  
Weekend workshop April 29-May 1.  
Gala concert Sunday, May 1 at 3pm

### 4th Annual Uke Fest May 27-30 • Uke Fest Concert May 28 at 8pm

A family-friendly weekend of workshops and fun for every player level from beginners on up, with Gerald Ross, Ben Hassenger, Victoria Vox, Paul Hemmings, Del Rey and Rachel Manke. And if you have even a passing interest in the uke, you won't want to miss the outrageously fun public concert featuring these ukulele greats! Everything from folk to jazz, from Hawaiian to rock and blues.

**Camp registration and advance concert tickets at [ashokan.org/uke-fest](http://ashokan.org/uke-fest)**

### Swing Dance Party & BBQ June 25 at 6pm

Enjoy an evening of fun, food, music and dance on Ashokan's outdoor pavilion. Open to everyone! **Purchase dance and/or BBQ dinner tickets at [ashokan.org](http://ashokan.org)**

### Western + Swing Week at Ashokan June 26-July 2

Swing, Jazz, Country and Western-Swing music and dance. Lindy and West Coast swing, two step, waltz and other C&W dances, squares and contras, dance parties and more. Fiddle, mandolin, guitar, steel guitar, piano, vocal technique, harmony singing, swing and country band clinics, improvisation, music theory, jam sessions, song swaps.

**Register at [ashokan.org/western](http://ashokan.org/western) by May 15!**

### More Ashokan Music & Dance Summer Programs

**Acoustic Guitar Camp** July 11-15, 2016    **Family Camp** August 8-12, 2016  
**Northern Week** July 17-23, 2016    **Southern Week** August 14-20, 2016

### Summer Hoot August 26-28

3 days of world-class music on 2 volunteer-built outdoor stages at Ashokan! Enjoy camping, hiking, food & craft vendors and so much more! Tickets go on sale June 1st at [homeofthehoot.com](http://homeofthehoot.com)



## Jay & Molly's Shows

**Fri, April 1** Isis Music Hall. Asheville, NC

**Sat, April 9** Woodstock Contradance with caller Eric Hollman. Woodstock Community Center, Woodstock, NY

**Sat, April 16** Swing & Shine Benefit Square Dance for The Ashokan Center, Olivebridge, NY

**Fri, May 6** Mostly Waltzes. Greenfield, MA

**Sat, May 7** First Congregational Church. Brattleboro, VT

**Sun, May 8** Chandler Music Hall. Randolph, VT

**Thurs, June 2** Landsdowne Folk Club Landsdowne, PA. [folkclub.org](http://folkclub.org)

**Fri, June 3** Minstrel Acoustic Concert Series. Morristown, NJ. [minstrel.folkproject.org](http://minstrel.folkproject.org)

**Sat, June 4** Tompkins Corners Cultural Center. Putnam Valley, NY

**Sun, May 22**  
Special 3pm matinee performance with the Woodstock Chamber Orchestra. SUNY Ulster, Quimby Theater Stone Ridge, NY. Tickets at [wco-online.com](http://wco-online.com) and at the door.



**Info/tickets at [jayandmolly.com](http://jayandmolly.com)**

## List Your Dance Events with Us!

Enter and update your dance events in our online Mid Hudson Dance Calendar by June 15 and they'll appear right here in the next Fiddle & Dance News.

**Write [fdn@ashokan.org](mailto:fdn@ashokan.org) for details.**

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# Mid-Hudson Dance Calendar

**Fri, Apr 1** 1st Friday Swing Dance. DFO Sponsored. 8-11pm Dance to Patti-O Melita & the Hip Hooligans 7-8pm, free lesson w/ admission. Learn to swing dance! \$15/\$12 DFO members/\$10 students & limited income retirees 65+ firstfridayswingdance@gmail.com. Elks Lodge, Albany.

**Sat, Apr 2** 7-10:30pm English Dance. HVCD. Caller Melanie Axel-Lute w/ Tiddely Pom \$10/\$5 students w/ full-time ID. Lesson at 7pm required for new dancers - helpers welcome. 845-452-2483. Reformed Church of Port Ewen.

**Sun, Apr 3** 2-5pm Capital English Country Dance. DFO Affiliate. Caller Brad Foster w/ Carol Compton & Thal Aylward. Beginners welcome. Flat soft-soled shoes. Intro workshop on request at 1:30pm. \$12/\$10 members / \$6 students. Free 1st admission for new English Country dancers. 518-477-5684 CapitalECD@gmail.com. First UUC, Albany.

**Fri, Apr 8** 7-11pm Zydeco Dance. HVCD. Terry & the Zydeco Bad Boys. First time in the Mid-Hudson Valley! Lesson w/Carol 7pm; Dance 8pm. \$15/\$10 full-time students w/ID. 914-388-7048. White Eagle Benevolent Society, Kingston.

**Fri, Apr 8** 8-11pm Albany Contradances! Dave Langford & Kate Barnes. Caller TBA. Beg workshop 7:45pm. \$10/\$5 (students w/ ID. Sneakers or clean, soft-soled shoes. 518-729-7791 peter.stix@me.com danceflurry.org. Elks Lodge, Albany.

**Sat, April 9** 8-11pm Woodstock Contradance. FFD. Jay & Molly with caller Eric Hollman. \$10. 845-246-2121 ashokan.org. Woodstock Community Center, Woodstock.

**Fri, Apr 15** 7:30-11pm Diamond Dance. DFO Affiliate. Joey Thomas Big Band. Free food, live music, demos. Free lesson 7:30pm. \$15 Flurry members / \$16 others. 518-587-5132 dance@saratogasavoy.com diamonddance.snack.ws. Saratoga Music Hall, Saratoga.

**Sat, Apr 16** 7:30-10:30pm Third Saturday Contra Dance Party. HVCD. Caller William Brearley w/ Mooncoin. \$10/\$5 full-time students. 845-473-7050 contra@hudsonvalleydance.org. St John's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Poughkeepsie.

**Sat, Apr 16** 5-9:30pm Swing & Shine Benefit at The Ashokan Center. Dinner, square dancing w/ Jay & Molly, Tony Trischka, Colin McCaffrey, caller Peter Blue. Tickets \$150. 845-647-8333 ashokancenter.org

**Sun, Apr 17** 2-5pm Rensselaer English Country Dance. DFO Affiliate. Caller Dorothy Cummings. Band Heartsease. Beg Lesson 1:30. \$12, limited income indiv \$8, \$1 discount for DFO members. Bring soft-soled shoes. Dances taught. No partner/experience needed! 518-273-5172 donbell@nycap.rr.com. Christ Church United Methodist, Troy.

**Sun, Apr 17** 6-9pm Swing Dance to La Familia Swingin' Blues Band. HVCD. Beg Lesson 6pm, Dance 6:30pm. \$12/\$8 full-time students w/ ID. Low key, friendly, everyone welcome. Practice whatever you're learning. No partner/experience needed! 845-454-2571. Arlington Reformed Church, Poughkeepsie.

**Sat, April 23** 8-11:30pm Ballroom Dance. HVCD. Lesson 8pm (theme chosen by March attendees). Dance at 9pm. Live band plays mix of ballroom, Swing and Latin. \$15. Refreshments. 845-204-9833 ballroomjoe.com. Hudson Valley Dance Depot, Lagrangeville.

**Fri, April 29** 6:30-8pm Swing Dance Workshops. HVCD. W/ Joe & Julie Donato. Workshop I 6:30; Workshop II 7:15pm; \$15/ea, \$20/both. 8-11:30pm The George Gee Orchestra returns! HVCD. Lesson 8pm w/ Joe & Julie Donato. Dance 8:30pm. \$15/\$10 full-time students w/ ID. 845-454-2571. hudsonvalleydance.org. Poughkeepsie Tennis Club.

**Fri, April 29** 8-11pm Albany Contradances! Swallowtail. Beg workshop 7:45. Special event pricing tonite. Sneakers or clean, soft-soled shoes. 518-729-7791 peter.stix@me.com danceflurry.org. Elks Lodge, Albany.

**Sat, April 30** 7:30-10:30pm 5th Sat Contra. HVCD. Caller Ron Blechner. Doors open at 7. \$10/\$5 full-time students. 845-473-7050 contra@hudsonvalleydance.org. St John's Ev. Lutheran Church, Poughkeepsie.

**Sun, May 1** 2-5pm Capital English Country Dance. DFO Affiliate. Caller Mary Jones w/ Mary Lea & Peter Barnes. Make your own Sundae at intermission. Beginners welcome. Flat soft-soled shoes. Intro workshop on request at 1:30. \$12/\$10 members/\$6 students. Free 1st admission for new dancers. 518-477-5684 CapitalECD@gmail.com. First UUC, Albany.

**Fri, May 6** 7-11pm 1st Friday Swing Dance. DFO Sponsored. Learn to swing dance! Free lesson w/ admission 7pm. Dance to Crazy Feet 8-11pm. \$15/\$12 DFO Members/\$10 students, limited income 65+ firstfridayswingdance@gmail.com. Elks Lodge, Albany.

**Sat, May 7** 7-10:30pm English Dance. HVCD. Caller Loretta Holz w/ Tiddely Pom \$10/\$5 students w/ full-time ID. Lesson at 7pm required for new dancers. Lesson helpers welcome. 845-452-2483. Reformed Church of Port Ewen.

**Fri, May 13** 7-11pm Cajun Dance. HVCD. Krewe de la Rue! Energetic mix of Cajun and Creole. Dance lesson w/ Carol 7pm; Dance 8pm. \$15/\$10 full-time students w/ID. 914-388-7048. White Eagle Benevolent Society, Kingston.

**Fri, May 13** 8-11pm Albany Contradances! The Border Bandits w/ caller Jon Greene. Beg workshop 7:45pm \$10/\$5 students w/ ID. Sneakers or clean, soft-soled shoes. 518-729-7791 peter.stix@me.com danceflurry.org. Elks Lodge, Albany.

**Sat, May 14** 8-11pm Woodstock Contradance. FFD. Colin McCoy & Pete Jung with caller Peter Stix. \$10. 845-246-2121 ashokan.org. Woodstock Community Center, Woodstock.

**Sun, May 15** 6-9pm Swing Dance to The Bernstein/Bard Quartet. HVCD. Beg Lesson 6pm, Dance:6:30pm. \$12/\$8 full-time students w/ ID. Low key, friendly, everyone welcome! No partner/experience needed! 845-454-2571. Arlington Reformed Church, Poughkeepsie.

**Fri, May 20** 7:30-11pm Diamond Dance. DFO Affiliate. Music TBA. Free food, live music, demos. Free lesson 7:30pm. \$15 flurry members/\$16 others. 518-587-5132 dance@saratogasavoy.com diamonddance.snack.ws. Saratoga Music Hall, Saratoga.

**Sat, May 21** 7:30-10:30pm Third Saturday Contra Dance Party. HVCD. Last of the season! Ted Crane w/ Gotham Gals. \$10/\$5 full-time students 845-473-7050 contra@hudsonvalleydance.org. St John's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Poughkeepsie.

**Fri, May 27** 6:30-8pm Texas Two-Step Workshops. HVCD. W/ Barry Koffler. Workshop I 6:30; Workshop II 7:15pm; \$15/ea \$20/both. 8-11:30pm Swing Dance to Miss Paula and the Twangbusters. HVCD. Beg Lesson 8pm, Swing/Two-Step Dance 8:30. Honky tonk, barrelhouse and jump blues. \$15/\$10 full-time students w/ ID. No partner or experience needed! 845-454-2571. hudsonvalleydance.org. Poughkeepsie Tennis Club.

**Sat, May 28** 8-11:30pm Ballroom Dance. HVCD. Lesson (theme chosen by March attendees) at 8pm. Dance at 9pm. Live band plays mix of ballroom, Swing and Latin. \$15. Refreshments. 845-204-9833 ballroomjoe.com. Hudson Valley Dance Depot, Lagrangeville.

**Fri, June 3** 1st Friday Swing Dance. DFO Sponsored. 8-11pm Dance to Lustre Kings 7-8pm, free lesson w/ admission. Learn to swing dance! \$15/\$12 DFO Members/\$10 students & limited income 65+ firstfridayswingdance@gmail.com. Elks Lodge, Albany.

**Sat, June 4** 7-10:30pm English Dance. HVCD. Patricia Evans calling w/ Tiddely Pom. \$10/\$5 students w/ full-time ID. Lesson at 7pm required for new dancers. Lesson helpers welcome. 845-452-2483. Reformed Church of Port Ewen.

**Fri, June 10** June 10 8-11pm Albany Contradances! Tempest w/ caller Fern Bradley. Beg workshop 7:45pm \$10/\$5 students w/ ID. Sneakers or clean, soft-soled shoes. 518-729-7791 peter.stix@me.com danceflurry.org. Elks Lodge, Albany.

**Sat, June 11** 8-11pm Woodstock Contradance. FFD. Rebecca McCallum & Selma Kaplan with caller Dugan Murphy. \$10. 845-246-2121 ashokan.org. Woodstock Community Center, Woodstock.

**Sun, June 12** 6-9pm Buhrmaster Barn Dance. DFO Affiliate. Gigue-a-Bit w/ Michael Kernan. Potluck dinner at 5. \$12/\$10 DFO members and seniors/\$6 students. 518-233-0847 janehusson@nycap.rr.com. Buhrmaster Barn, Colonie.

**Sun, June 12** 6-9pm Swing Dance to Live Band. HVCD. Beg Lesson 6pm, Dance 6:30pm. \$12/\$8 full-time students w/ ID. Low key, everyone welcome. Practice whatever you're learning. No partner/experience needed! 845-454-2571. Arlington Reformed Church, Poughkeepsie.

**Fri, June 17** 7:30-11pm Diamond Dance. DFO Affiliate. Music TBA. Free food, live music, demos. Free lesson 7:30. \$15 flurry members/\$16 others. 518-587-5132 dance@saratogasavoy.com diamonddance.snack.ws. Saratoga Music Hall, Saratoga.

**Sun, June 19** 6-9pm Buhrmaster Barn Dance. DFO Affiliate. TBA. Potluck meal 5pm. \$12/\$10 DFO members and seniors/\$6 students. 518-233-0847 janehusson@nycap.rr.com. Buhrmaster Barn, Colonie.

**Fri, June 24** 6:30-8pm Swing Dance Workshops. HVCD. W/Paolo Lanna. Workshop I 6:30; Workshop II 7:15pm; \$15/ea \$20/both. 8-11:30pm Swing Dance to Roy Wilson & The Buzzards. Lesson 8pm, Dance 8:30 \$15/\$10 full-time students w/ ID. 845-454-2571. hudsonvalleydance.org. Poughkeepsie Tennis Club.

**Sat, June 25** 6-11pm Swing Dance Party & BBQ at Ashokan. Eat, dance, enjoy great music under the outdoor pavilion. Jay & Molly w/ Swingology and Lindy Hop Heaven! ashokan.org. The Ashokan Center, Olivebridge.

**Sat, June 25** 8-11:30pm Ballroom Dance. HVCD. Lesson (theme chosen by March attendees) at 8pm. Dance at 9pm. Live band plays mix of ballroom, Swing and Latin. \$15. Refreshments. 845-204-9833 ballroomjoe.com. Hudson Valley Dance Depot, Lagrangeville.

**Sun, June 26** Western+Swing Week Music & Dance Camp at Ashokan. Swing, Jazz, Country, Western-Swing, Lindy and West Coast swing, Two step, waltz, C&W dances, squares, contras, dance parties. ashokan.org. The Ashokan Center, Olivebridge.

## Dance Locations

### Ashokan Center

477 Beaverkill Rd, Olivebridge  
*Take NYS Thruway (I-87) to Kings-ton exit 19. Take first right off traffic circle on 28 West towards Pine Hill. Follow 28 for about 12 miles. Go left at Winchell's Pizza onto Reservoir Rd. Cross reservoir & take left at "T." Bear right downhill. Merge onto Rt 28A West. Go 1/4 mile and take left on Beaverkill Rd. Go 1 mile to Ashokan Center entrance on right. Take the right fork of the driveway and follow signs.*

### Arlington Reformed Church

Rt. 44/55E, east of Poughkeepsie  
*Park on Raymond or in the lot behind the pizza shop.*

### Buhrmaster Barn

207 Old Niskayuna Rd, Colonie

### Christ Church United Methodist

35 State St, Troy

### Elks Lodge

25 S. Allen St., Albany

### First Unitarian Universalist Church (UUC)

405 Washington Ave., Albany

### Hudson Valley Dance Depot

1151 NY-55, Lagrangeville  
*2nd floor of the Dunkin' Donuts building, above Lorenzo's Pizza in the back.*

### Poughkeepsie Tennis Club

135 S Hamilton St, Poughkeepsie  
*Tennis Club is the gray building.*

### Reformed Church of Port Ewen

160 Salem St, Port Ewen

### Saratoga Music Hall

474 Broadway, Saratoga

### St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church

Wilbur Ave., Poughkeepsie

### White Eagle Benevolent Society

487 Delaware Ave., Kingston

### Woodstock Community Center

Rock City Rd, Woodstock