

2010 Spanish Peaks International Celtic Music Festival

Program Schedule

Thursday September 23

All Day Thursday - Friday Noon

Celtic Jewelry Making Workshop taught at the La Veta School of Arts

Linda Hickman

Contact Peggy Zehring for registration 719-742-5238 email: peggy.zehring@gmail.com

5:00 PM Supper offerings at **La Veta Inn** [103 West Ryus] and **La Plaza Inn** [118 W 6th St. Walsenburg]

Both offer open bars

30 min. drive from La Veta to Walsenburg

The **Station** offers Mexican dishes and hamburgers in Gardner 45 min drive

7:15 - 10:00 PM

Concert

Weekend Preview: A Taste of Things to Come

Community Center, Gardner

A lively informal event. Each Festival performer presents a short musical set

The local ladies offer home made refreshments for a donation. Seating is limited so

tickets need to be purchased in advance as the **Preview** always sells out.

Friday September 24

NOTE: Open session playing is available at our Hub - **La Veta Inn Pub** at any time Musicians want to gather - up to 2 am in the morning. Please be aware there are also some [organized sessions](#) scheduled. Check schedule.

9:30 - 10:30 AM

Hands on For Beginners

It's fun and its **Free**

Bodhran Instrument available on loan for class and for sale

Ken Willson

Whistle Instruments on sale for \$15

Jim Remington

10:30 - 11:30 AM

Still Free

Whistle Instruments on sale for \$15

Jim Remington

Mountain Dulcimer Instruments Supplied

Malacha Hall

Harp Instruments Supplied

Kim McKee

12:00 Noon - 3:00 PM

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Free

The ghost town on Old La Veta Pass "Up Top." 15 min. drive from La Veta. Take Ryus West out the paved road to Hwy 160, turn left. Left again at mile marker 281 and drive to the TOP. From Alamosa take 160 East. Right at mile marker 276, drive to the TOP. Bring your own picnic lunch or order one from La Veta Inn. No alcohol allowed. Water and soft drinks available for purchase at venue. There will be Scottish country dancing, ceilidh dancing and cloggins, plus jamming and singing. To facilitate clean up please bring a bag for gargabe for disposal upon returning to La Veta. "Up Top" is a wonderful restored

4:00 - 5:15 PM

Dem/Talk

Irish Dance

Kieran Jordan and Shannon Dunne

The development of Irish dance from Sean Nos to Irish Step to Appalachian Clogging

4:00 - 5:30 PM

Session

Session Playing at the La Veta Inn Pub

led by musicians of Colcannon

Workshops

Storytelling - Elementary

Barbara Yule

Methods of learning and telling traditional tales for everyone. A review for beginners, work on learning stories. Work on actually preparing stories for telling. Those interested can prepare their story to tell for Family Story Hour on Saturday morning.

Singing Warm-ups For All Levels

Tanya Perkins

Exercises in correct breathing; work on techniques to help achieve a full rich voice and improve resonance, articulation and style. In other words, how to get the most out of your voice and have the best fun you ever had in a singing lesson. *For students of "Group Singing for Fun" but **OPEN TO ALL.***

4:00 - 5:30 PM

Workshops

The Art and Enjoyment of Session Playing

Ken Willson-Kim McKee

This workshop will get you ready to join all the jam sessions throughout the weekend, no matter what your playing level. It will include how to use basic chords to allow you to join in the playing of unfamiliar tunes, give you guidance on how and when to take lead in a session. Most important it will give you confidence if session playing is new for you.

5:00 PM Supper offered at La Veta Inn and La Plaza Inn (W. 6th St. Walsenburg, 1.5 blocks from Fox Theatre)

7:30 - 10:15 PM

Double Concert

The Scots and The Irish

Fox Theatre, WAL

Singer Ed Miller - Fiddler John Taylor - Harper Maire Ni Chathasaigh - Guitarist Chris Newman

10:30 PM

Session

Late night session playing at the La Veta Inn Pub

Pub open until 2 AM

Saturday September 25

9:00 - 10:00 AM

**Harp
Mountain Dulcimer**

Hands on for Beginners

Instruments Provided
Instruments Provided

Free

**Debbie Kolacny
Malacha Hall**

9:00 - 10:15 AM

Workshops

Dancing

Scottish Ceilidh and Scottish Country Dancing

John Crumlin-John Taylor

Irish Fiddle

For those who have a basic grasp of their instrument and are ready to take the challenge of more precise techniques regarding tracking Irish rhythms pacing and playing styles. Be prepared to play tunes while making the most of your strings.

Jean Bolger

Whistle

For intermediate learners. Learn Irish tunes while sharpening your fingering and breathing techniques and working on arrangements.

Linda Hickman

Singing Irish Traditional Songs

Work on two songs, one Irish the other English. Learn techniques of finding the structure of the Irish songs. The English song will be sung and interpretive options will be explored.

Mick Bolger

Dem/Talk

The Button Accordion

A rich toned, Celtic instrument, also popular with Cajun and Tex/Mex music. Often confused with the piano key accordion, differences will be explained as well as the history. Players, both past and present will be discussed. There will be a demonstration of using the Button Accordion for playing lively Irish music.

Sean McComiskey

9:00 - 10:30 AM

Storytelling Part 2

Taking Part 1 on Friday would be helpful but not required

Barbara Yule

Work on learning another story and presentation skills in preparation for **Family Story Hour**

10:30 - 12 Noon

Singing For Fun Program Part 1

This is part of a whole program - see web link for details
Beginning work on learning a selection of popular Scottish songs. Background of the songs and their meanings will set the stage for work on interpretation, inflection, rhythm and phrasing.

Ed Miller

10:30 - 11:30 AM **Hands on for Beginners** **Free**
Harp Instruments Provided **Deb Kolacny**

10:30 - 11:45 AM

Workshops

Dancing **Sean Nos Jigs and Reels** **Kieran Jordan**

All levels of beginners and up are invited to participate

Flute All levels beyond beginners are invited to participate - bring your flute **Rod Garnett**

Elementary Whistle Work on breathing and basic fingering techniques, learn simple tunes **Jim Remington**

Mountain Dulcimer For elementary and intermediate players **Malacha Hall**

10:30 - 12 Noon **2nd Annual Rocky Mt. Celtic Radio Summit** **Free**

Led by **Pat McCullough**, editor of *Celtic Connection*. Participants include radio hosts: **Linda Reich**, Fort Collins, **Karl Kumli**, Boulder, **David Flincher** and **John Crumlin**, Colorado Springs, **Ellie Blair**, Taos, **Jim Remington**, Westcliffe and **Raphael Weisman**, Alamosa.

10:30 - 12:30 PM

Classes

We urge participants to bring a recording device to get the most out of these classes.

Scottish Fiddle **John Taylor**

Rhythm, tempo and timing Ceilidh dancing vs. Scottish Country dancing. Tune selections and fitting tunes to particular dances. To put together arrangements, participants will need to have a good grasp of fiddle technique. For students less proficient, much can be learned by listening and observing and joining in playing the tunes when possible.

Uilleann Pipes **Jerry O'Sullivan**

Aimed at all levels above elementary. Work on technique and tunes at the pace of participants. Beginners and elementary students are welcome to observe and those who do play can join in when they feel comfortable to do so.

Acoustic Guitar Part 1 **Chris Newman**

Participants should be able to play with confidence. The class will explore advanced techniques and styling, tricks for arranging and articulating Scottish and Irish music - i.e. how to use jazzy syncopation to give the music a dynamic lift that keeps it sounding fresh and original without losing the flavor of its original roots. Beginner students are welcome to observe.

10:45 - 11:45 AM **Family Story Hour** *For everyone 4 to 94* **Free**

Presented by participants of Part 1 and/or Part 2 who wish to share their storytelling.

11:00 - 2:00 PM

Lunch

Sit down lunch selections are available at our Festival hub - **La Veta Inn** - open all afternoon
LV Methodist Church sell box lunches (sandwiches and fruit) as a fundraiser
The Bakery has a luncheon menu of a variety of gourmet sandwiches

12:30 - 1:45 PM

Matinee Concert

Songs and Sing Along **4H Club LV**
Ed Miller-Mick Bolger-Ken Willson-Kim McKee

2:00 - 4:00 PM

Free Ceilidh

La Veta Park

Dancing, Music and Singing led by **John Crumlin**

John Taylor on Fiddle with Dancers **Shannon Dunne, Kieran Jordan and Company**

Bring a blanket or chair and be ready to dance and sing. In case of rain, event will be held at the 4H Barn

3:00 - 4:15 PM

Special Dem/Talk

Exploring the hidden meanings in Fairytales: archetypes and what they tell us. **Dr. Lee Roloff**
Story told by **Barbara Yule**

4:15 - 5:45 PM

Singing For Fun Program Part 2

Ed Miller-Tanya Perkins-Kim McKee

Working on song harmonies, interpreting Scottish phraseology, timing and expressiveness as well as working on vocal skills to enhance performance.

4:00 - 5:30 PM

Session

Session playing at La Veta Inn Pub

led by **Colcannon** musicians

4:30 - 5:30 PM

SPACE Gallery's Celtic Art Show Opening

Free

La Veta Park

Demonstration talk presented by Irish born painter Vincent Grotty. Vincent will launch the show with a demonstration of his landscape painting techniques. The Gallery will then open to visitors.

5:00 - 7:15 PM Supper offered at La Veta Inn and La Plaza Inn (W. 6th St. Walsenburg, 1.5 blocks from Fox Theater)

7:30 - 10:00 PM

Concert

The Shamrock Kitchen Special

Fox Theatre, WAL

Dancers-**Kieran Jordan-Shannon Dunne-Cleek Schrey** on fiddle-**Sean McComiskey** on Button Accordion
Special guest-Uilleann Piper-**Jerry O'Sullivan**

Sunday September 26

9:30 - 10:30 AM

Harp

Hands on for Beginners

Instruments Provided

Free

Debbie Kolacny

9:30 - 10:45 PM

Workshops

Storytelling Part 3

Barbara Yule

Assessing the storytelling experience for those who told stories Saturday at **Family Hour** and work on learning longer complex tales for next year.

Dancing

Irish Step and/or Appalachian Clogging

Shannon Dunne

Acoustic Guitar

Mike Fitzmaurice

Students should have basic technique and be comfortable with their instrument. Arranging for the guitar as an accompanying instrument and the key driving rhythm in a band.

Bodhran Elementary/Intermediate

Ken Willson-Kim McKee

10:00 - Noon

Singing For Fun Program Part 3

Ed Miller-Tanya Perkins-Kim McKee

Refining the songs learned with performance in mind. Includes enunciation, rhythm, emotional inflections pacing, timing and dramatic interpretation and presentation

11:00 - 12 Noon

Workshops

Dancing Sean Nos and Breton Step **Kieran Jordan**

Whistle All levels above beginner **Jim Remington-Linda Hickman**
Work on technique, fingering and breathing while playing Irish tunes together.

Demonstration/Talk

Flutes-Fifes-Stringed Instruments **Rod Garnett-Brian Mullins**
The two instructors have between them an extensive collection of unusual, exotic instruments. They will demonstrate the instruments, tell how they accumulated them and how they are used to help give Colcannon its unique sound as a band.

Session **Dulcimer Session at La Veta Inn Pub** All instruments invited **Malacha Hall-Dick Hall**

11:00 - 1:00 PM

Class
Acoustic Guitar Part 2 **Chris Newman**
For proficient players who want to explore new ways to enhance their performance and arranging skills. Having taken Saturday's class would be helpful but not a prerequisite.

11:30 - 2:00 PM Lunch offerings at the **La Veta Inn**

12:15 - 1:40 PM

Special Dem/Talk
Shadow and Evil in Fairytales "The Handless Maiden" Story told by **Barbara Yule**
The tales archetypes and meanings will be interpreted by **Dr. Lee Roloff**

12:15 - 1:30 PM

Session **Fiddle Session at La Veta Inn Pub** All instruments invited **John Taylor-Cleek Schrey**

2:00 - 3:45 PM

Matinee Concert **The Colcannon Special** 4H Club, LV
Mick Bolger-Jean Bolger-Mike Fitzmaurice-Brian Mullins-Rod Garnett

4:00 PM

Closing Ceilidh **Free** **John Crumlin-Kim McKee-Shannon Dunne-Keiran Jordan**
Performances by a variety of musicians, the Singers for Fun and dancing will take place at our Festival hub **La Veta Inn Pub**. The Inn will take supper orders for any hungry soul and the pub will remain open until 10:00 PM for those still on a high with the music.