# THE COTTON PATCH RAG

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SECOND SATURDAY CONCERTS have been canceled for the remainder of 2020 and will resume when the Houston Folklore and Music Society AND West University Community Building both determine it will be safe from a public health perspective.

**Second Saturday Concert** is presented by the **Houston Folklore and Music Society**, a nonprofit organization dedicated to the preservation of folklore and folk/acoustic music. Concerts are held in the <u>West University Community Building</u> at 6104 Auden (intersection of Auden and Rice Blvd). Contact Carolyn Davis (281-240-9797) or <u>carolynadavis@aol.com</u> for more concert information. Visit our website at: houstonfolkmusic.org.

## SECOND SATURDAY CONCERTS ARE ALL TENTATIVE for the foreseeable future

NO CONCERTS FOR THE REMAINDER OF 2020

January 9, 2021: Albert and Gage February 13, 2021: Small Potatoes March 13, 2021: TBD April 10, 2021: Anne Hills May 8, 2021: C. Daniel Boling September 11, 2021: Paul Sachs

# **OTHER HFMS EVENTS**

#### \*\*\*OCTOBER HFMS MEETING/SONG CIRCLE — CANCELED

Our monthly song circle meeting at the Jewish Community Center is canceled for public health reasons.

#### \*\*\*OCTOBER PICKIN' PARTY — CANCELED

Watch our web site, <u>http://www.houstonfolkmusic.org/#pknpty</u> and emails for updates.

### STAY HEALTHY AND OUT OF HARMS WAY!!!

DEAR MEMBERS OF THE HOUSTON FOLKLORE & MUSIC SOCIETY

From March to the end of the year, the COVID19 virus has caused a cessation of our usual society activities, which include; monthly song circles, picking parties, and the production of the Second Saturday Concert series. Because of this, the board would like to grant an **extension to the expiration dates of your memberships by ten months**. We understand many of you have been supporting individual artists via contributions to their online performances; *we know how much they must appreciate your kind efforts*! If you have the ability and wish to *contribute to the HFMS*, *you would also have our deepest appreciation*! For online donations please go to houstonfolkmusic.org OR contact Paul Cooper, Treasurer at 713-204-1207 or pcooper1@peoplepc.com.



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In times of uncertainty it's always good to remember you have friends in the music community but don't forget those outside our community as well! You are gifted with your talents for a reason. Music is meant to be shared and you can spread joy with a simple song or tune, sung or played from your front porch, via audio recording from your phone, or even virtually over a Zoom meeting. Keep music in your life and a song in your heart! If you know of any local or virtual events coming up that you'd like to share, or if you have an article you think may be of interest to the folk music community, please email **Cehlena**: <u>Celtic.Music@aol.com</u> and be sure to include **LOCAL EVENTS** (or **CPR Article**) in the subject line; we'll do our best to include it in the next issue.

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#### Please help Support Houston Folklore and Music Society

**Have you enrolled in SMILE.AMAZON.COM?** Amazon shoppers can help support HFMS in our mission to continue promoting folk and acoustic music (and similar folklore traditions) in the greater Houston area. Doing so allows us to continue bringing excellent performers to Houston for Second Saturday Concerts. You can help **at no cost to you** when you make purchases from Amazon. Simply go to smile.amazon.com, sign into your Amazon account and select "Houston Folklore and Music Society" as your charitable organization.

After that, go to <u>smile.amazon.com</u> each time you shop and Amazon will automatically donate 0.5% of the amount of your purchase to HFMS. Every little bit helps! Please send this information to everyone you know who might be willing to support our organization in this way. It only takes a minute and will help us continue the HFMS tradition.

#### AND/OR

**CONSIDER A GIFT TO HFMS. MAKE A TAX DEDUCTIBLE DONATION!!** HFMS is a 501(c)3 organization. Your contribution to support our organization can be claimed as a charitable donation. Contact Paul Cooper, Treasurer at 713-204-1207 or pcooper1@peoplepc.com.

#### WHILE YOU'RE SHOPPING...

**Rise Again** - A novel based on the lyrics of Canadian Folk Legend **Stan Rogers** epic song, the **Mary Ellen Carter**. Set in Atlantic Canada and filled with hardship, friendship, tragedy, triumph, music, love, and most of all ...hope!

https://smile.amazon.com/Rise-Again-Jim-Cain/dp/0988204649/

# **JUST FOR FUN**

Partake in a wide variety of virtual song and dance! https://www.cdss.org/community/events-calendar

Join an online Open Jam to keep the boredom away! https://calendar.google.com/calendar?cid=MGQzY2thZXZxcjQ1dGVscWl0dW xiYTZpcmNAZ3JvdXAuY2FsZW5kYXluZ29vZ2xlLmNvbQ

Join a Virtual Folk Dance from any number of countries HERE http://www.facone.org/ HERE https://daleadamson.com/events-calendar/ OR HERE https://mailchi.mp/rscds/dance-scottish-at-home-582058

See an extensive list of folk and acoustic virtual concert links https://folk.org/livestreams/month/2020-10/

Google Map of Old Time Jams (blue) Festivals (red) Fiddle Contests (purple) Irish Sessions (green) Contra Dance Bands (yellow) in the US and Around the World! (confirm local listings)

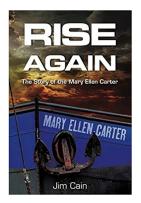
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#### **ONE KIND FAVOR**



by Paul Cooper

I was listening to Lightnin' Hopkins sing this on 33rpm vinyl before I ever heard him do it at the Will Rice commons in Houston in 1962. But this song goes way back before that. It was recorded (and some say written) by Blind Lemon Jefferson in 1927. The list of people who have recorded it since goes on forever, as does the number of different ways to treat the song. Listening to different versions on YouTube was so interesting that I have provided two versions for contrast. First, a modern ensemble arrangement by Del McCoury and Friends where they treat it almost like a spiritual: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zsTd-SjxMX8

I have transcribed the chords from that version.

Next, Blind Lemon himself: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6tVxz\_1wigw.

You can also listen to both versions on the HFMS Audio Archive page at http://www.houstonfolkmusic.org/HFS\_Audio\_Archive.html.

### SEE THAT MY GRAVE IS KEPT CLEAN

Blind Lemon Jefferson

#### Am

Well, there's one kind favor I'll ask of you **Am** 

Well, there's one kind favor I'll ask of youAmDFAmThere's just one kind favor I'll ask of youAmE7AmYou can see that my grave is kept cleap

You can see that my grave is kept clean

And there's two white horses in a line And there's two white horses in a line Two white horses in a line Gonna take me to my burying ground

Did you ever hear that coughin' sound? Did you ever hear that coughin' sound? Did you ever hear that coughin' sound? Means another poor boy is underground Did you ever hear them church bells tone? Have you ever hear that church bells tone? Did you ever hear them church bells tone? Means another poor boy is dead and gone

There's just one last favor I'll ask of you And there's one last favor I'll ask of you There's just one last favor I'll ask of you See that my grave is kept clean



# UPCOMING & UPDATED FOLKLORE AND MUSICAL EVENTS around Texas & the US



https://www.kerrvillefolkfestival.org/october-virtual-festivities





proudly presents All Together Now, a two-part television program celebrating Virginia artists

Saturday, October 10 and Sunday, October 11 6:00pm. - 8:00pm Watch Online: https://www.youtube.com/user/WVPTPublicTV

https://www.facebook.com/myVPM

39th Annual Florida Fiddler's Convention! Online format. Begins Friday October 9th at 7:30 pm



https://www.facebook.com/events/202 8189760695545?refid=13&\_tn\_=%2Cg





Sunday, October 18th through November 8<sup>th</sup>

Y Here is a summary of everything you can expect from our virtual O'Flaherty Irish Music Retreat. https://oflahertyretreat.org/our-virtual-camp-plans/

# **OTHER FESTIVALS**



a FREE online event with opportunities for you to donate to help keep the fest going strong with a big 2021 live comeback next year. November 14<sup>th</sup>, 2020 12pm - 7pm https://fb.me/e/3clq5yw4n

Bayou City Art *Virtual Experience* October 5-11, 2020 - online art auction, virtual performances, art projects for kids of all ages, creative activities... From the safety of your home, you can purchase art from your favorite artists or discover new artists to follow.





https://www.artcolonyassociation.org/donate-today

SATURDAY, MARCH 27, 2021 AT 9 AM – 7 PM AND SUNDAY, MARCH 28, 2021 AT 11 AM – 6 PM San Antonio Highland Games and Celtic Music Festival 2021 https://www.facebook.com/events/621652532023686/





https://www.facebook.com/events/325515428600082/

October 3 - November 29 9 am - 8 pm Saturday, Sunday & Thanksgiving Friday https://www.texrenfest.com/tickets-season-passes

# JUST FOLKING AROUND

Austin Friends of Traditional Music has youth scholarships available to help pay for online traditional music lessons! Full details at https://aftm.us/resources/scholarships List of potential resources:

https://aftm.us/resources/online-learning



**#SAVEOURSTAGES** https://www.saveourstages.com/ This is our final push to Congress and there won't be another opportunity. We NEED the #SaveOurStagesAct and

the #RestartAct passed in order to keep independent venues nationwide from closing permanently. Please help us #SaveOurStages now.

# LOCAL FOLK MUSIC VENUES

The Mucky Duck is streaming concerts on Facebook and YouTube almost daily AND is having some live shows again! https://www.mcgonigels.com/#shows





Old Quarter Acoustic Cafe shows are currently ONLINE ONLY. Refunds available for all canceled live shows: http://oldquarteracousticcafe.com/?page\_id=1767

The restaurant and bar are fully open with all covid-19 precautions in place. https://www.doseydoe.com/



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http://www.theamericanahouston.com

JP Hops House Houston's Premier Brew Pub and Music Venue https://www.jphopshouse.com/



HAVING TECHNICAL DIFFICULTIES **DONATION LINK COMING SOON** http://andersonfair.net/



HIFD is a recreational group that dances a wide variety of ethnic folk dances from around the world. Come dance with us!

Virtual dances (for now) by HIFD/AIFD are planned every Friday.

http://www.folkdancers.org/?fbclid=IwAR2BaQTNf7Gj7ZfOjZQR1jKs5 a9\_xaV-tM5uCdBGBwSuy\_x06OUOgSEnMdY



Houston and The Woodlands *in-person classes* for the Fall are cancelled: http://www.houstonrscds.org/events-2020/4594786198 Virtual classes will continue on our Houston RSCDS Facebook page at 7:30pm Tuesdays.



'Vintage Vibes' November 13-15 Waller County Fairgrounds

Event Page: https://www.facebook.com/events/3767972599887235/ Claim your tickets now to gain all the perks and avoid waiting in line at the gate: https://vintagemarketdays.com/market/northwest-houston/tickets.php

CyFair Nutcracker Market Dec 12<sup>th</sup>, 2020 Berry Center 8877 Barker Cypress Rd Help support local small business owners! https://www.facebook.com/events/3508735782494438



# **OCTOBER 2020**

Wednesday	Thursday	Fri- day	Saturday	Sunday
	1 DANA COOPER 7PM Mucky Duck https://www.mcg onigels.com/show s/dana-cooper/	2	3	4
7 PAT BYRNE 5PM <i>Mucky Duck</i> https://www.mcgonigels.com/s hows/pat-byrne-this-show-will- also-be-live-streamed-on-youtu be-5pm-2/ PIPER JONES 7:30PM <i>Mucky Duck</i> https://www.mcgonigels.com/s hows/piper-jones-this-show-will -also-be-live-streamed-on-face	8	9	10	11
14	15 HAYES CARLL 7PM <i>Mucky Duck</i> https://www.mcg onigels.com/show s/hayes-carll/	16	17 GUY & JEZKA FORSYTH 6:30PM <i>Mucky Duck</i> https://www.mcg onigels.com/sho ws/guy-forsyth/	18 HAYES CARLL 7:30PM <i>Dosey Doe</i> https://www.doseyd oetickets.com/shows /762
21	22 ELLIS PAUL 7PM <i>Mucky Duck</i> https://www.mc gonigels.com/sh ows/ellis-paul/	23	24	25
28	29	30	31 Halloween	

Thank you for supporting live music!

#### PLEASE KEEP OUR HISTORIC ORGANIZATION ALIVE DURING THIS PANDEMIC. INVITE YOUR FRIENDS TO JOIN HOUSTON FOLKLORE AND MUSIC SOCIETY OR BUY THEM A GIFT MEMBERSHIP!

HFMS is a non-profit, membership organization dedicated to the preservation and promotion of folklore and folk/acoustic music. Activities include the following monthly events: *Second Saturday Concerts*, Monday night song circle/meetings, and Pickin' Parties. Dues are \$20 a year for a membership. Members receive our monthly digital newsletter (The Cotton Patch Rag) and the satisfaction of supporting and promoting live folk/acoustic music and other folklore activities in the greater Houston area.

Fill-out, print, and mail this page along with check(s) payable to *Houston Folklore and Music Society*, P.O. Box 542348, Houston, TX 77254, **OR visit our website and join on-line at houstonfolkmusic.org** 

#### **MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION**

New Membership	Renewal	Re-Joining
Is this a new address? 🗌 Yes	🗌 No 🛛 Today	's Date:
NAME		
STREET		
CITY	STATE	ZIP
PHONE	(wk)	
E-MAIL:	<b>—</b>	
Enclosed is \$20 Annual Dues		additional tax deductible donation to nonprofit organization.

Thank you!

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