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SECOND SATURDAY CONCERT

January 8, 2022

7:30pm

Albert and Gage



Please wear a face mask. Vaccination is highly recommended for our audience members.

Austin, Texas duo Albert and Gage (Christine Albert and Chris Gage) have a personal and musical chemistry that radiates from the stage. The joy they experience making music together is evident as they travel through their musical roots, moving from country and folk to blues and French chansons. The integrity of their musicianship and the rare blend of their voices create a unique and cohesive sound as Gage effortlessly switches from guitar to piano and accordion throughout their set to follow the mood of the music. Austin songwriter Jimmy LaFave once described Christine as a “wondrous singer with a beautiful focus and unrestrained grace.” She had a prolific recording career as a solo artist before meeting Gage, including the acclaimed “Texafrance” series, a bilingual tribute to her European family roots.

Chris Gage, the Academy of Texas Music's "Musician of the Year 2011" is no stranger to a tour bus, spending many years on the road with Red Willow Band, Roy Clark and Jimmie Dale Gilmore and until recently played lead guitar on tour with Jerry Jeff Walker in addition to his Albert and Gage shows. He's a veteran of TV shows including Conan O'Brien, The Tonight Show and Hee Haw.

Second Saturday Concert is presented by the *Houston Folklore and Music Society*, a non-profit organization dedicated to the preservation of folklore and acoustic music. Light snacks and refreshments are available for purchase. Tickets sold at the door (cash or check only) - adults \$18, seniors (65) and students \$14, children under 12 free. All profits go to the artists. Concerts are held the second Saturdays of each month (summers and December off) in the **West University Community Building at 6104 Auden** (intersection of Auden. and Rice Blvd.) Contact Carolyn Davis (281-240-9797) for more concert information or visit our website at: www.houstonfolkmusic.org.

February 12, 2022 - Anne Hills

March 12, 2022 - Daniel Boling

April 9, 2022 - Paul Sachs

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After that, go to smile.amazon.com **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 pcooperowls0@gmail.com. **Thank you for your contributions in 2021; you have our deepest appreciation!**

DECEMBER

MEETING and SONG CIRCLE

We will meet at *JP Hops House*,

TUESDAY, December 7th, 2021 - 7p



DECEMBER FEATURED SONG *by Paul Cooper*

WHILE GRANDPA SPUN THE YARN

Jimmie Joe and Chrissy Natoli – **The Better Halves** – gave us a wonderful show at the November Second Saturday Concert. In this one, from their 2014 CD, **All Over the Map** Jimmie Joe dazzled us with both his Chet Atkins-style picking and his songwriting.

You can hear it performed on their website at:

<http://www.thebetterhalvesmusic.com/MP3s/OldenDays.mp3>, or

on the HFMS Audio Archive page at:

http://www.houstonfolkmusic.org/HFS_Audio_Archive.html.

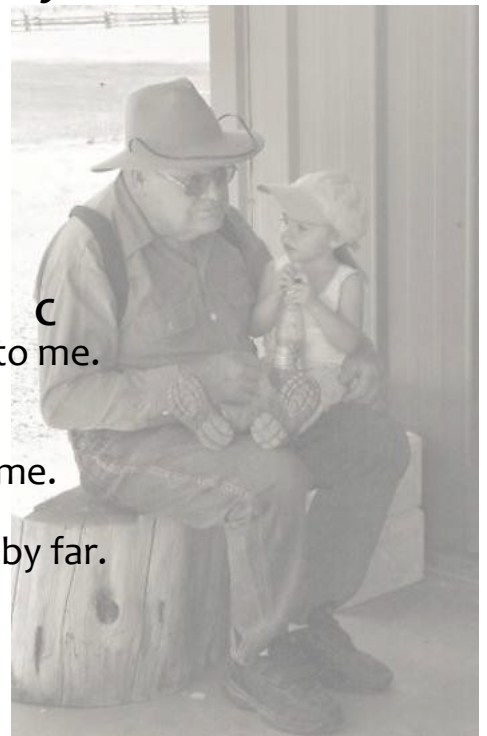
Jimmie Joe plays it Capo III in C chord shape. You can adjust the capo up or down to suit your voice range.

OLDEN DAYS

by Jimmie Joe Natoli

C **G**
Grandpa used to tell me about the olden days –
Am **F**
How he used to walk to school uphill both ways.
C **G**
He set me down right there upon his knee
Am **Dm** **G** **C**
And I'd hang on to every word that Grandpa would say to me.

He'd reminisce out loud about when bread was just a dime.
I sat there wide open-eyed and travelling through time.
A day when gas was cheaper then, the price has surged by far.
But that was back before the wheel, let alone the car.



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Am **E**
He told us fishing stories about when he used to sail
F **C** **G**
And how the fish got bigger every time he'd tell the tale.
C **G**
Grandma told us how he couldn't hit the broad side of a barn.
Am **Dm** **G** **C**
Now, she would knit the sweaters while Grandpa spun the yarn.

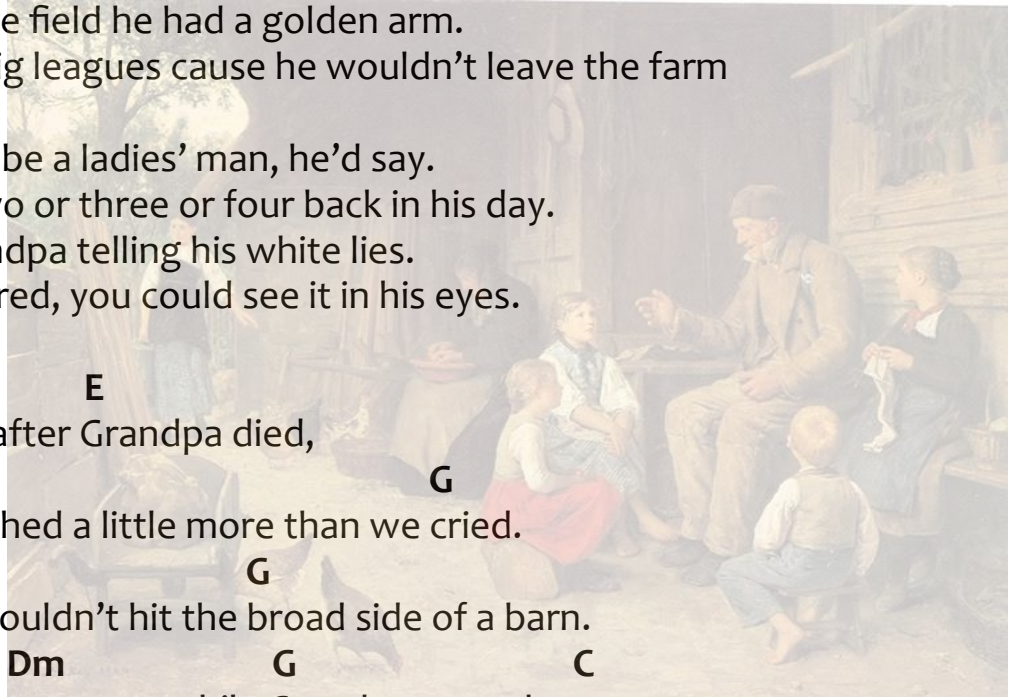
Grandpa was a hunter – quite a marksman, in fact.
He said he once took down a buck with his gun behind his back.
He told me once out on the field he had a golden arm.
But he turned down the big leagues cause he wouldn't leave the farm

Grandpa never claimed to be a ladies' man, he'd say.
But he broke a heart or two or three or four back in his day.
Grandma didn't mind Grandpa telling his white lies.
The places where it mattered, you could see it in his eyes.

Am **E**
In the days that followed after Grandpa died,
F **C** **G**
We ate too much and laughed a little more than we cried.
C **G**
Grandma told us how he couldn't hit the broad side of a barn.
Am **Dm** **G** **C**
How she would knit those sweaters while Grandpa spun the yarn.

Grandpa told me life was hard when he was a young lad.
Sometimes he thought the good would never catch up to the bad.
He was hard and loving, he gave thanks and he gave praise.
And he lived a life without regret back in the olden days.

In the days that followed after Grandpa died,
We ate too much and laughed a little more than we cried.
Grandma told us how he couldn't hit the broad side of a barn.
How she would knit those sweaters while Grandpa spun the yarn.



DECEMBER 2021

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
28 NOVEMBER 	29 NOVEMBER <u>BLUEGRASS JAM 6P</u> CYPRESS TX <u>EL LAGO IRISH SESSION</u> 6P CHELSEA WINE BAR	30 NOVEMBER	1 <u>BLUEGRASS JAM 6P</u> WEST U	2	3 <u>AMANDA PASCALI 8:30P</u> ANDERSON FAIR	4
5	6 <u>BLUEGRASS JAM 6P</u> CYPRESS TX <u>EL LAGO IRISH SESSION</u> 6P CHELSEA WINE BAR	7 <u>ACOUSTIC OPEN MIC 6P</u> SWANNY'S GRILL <u>JASON EADY, ROB ICKES & TREY HENSLEY 6:30P</u> OLD QUARTER ACOUSTIC GALVESTON, TX <u>HFMS SONG CIRCLE 7P</u> JP HOPS HOUSE	8 <u>BLUEGRASS JAM 6P</u> WEST U	9 <u>LYNN DRURY 8P</u> OLD QUARTER ACOUSTIC GALVESTON, TX	10 <u>8P NED EVETT WITH WRECKS & JANET BELL</u> OLD QUARTER ACOUSTIC GALVESTON, TX <u>ANGIE GOEKE 8:30P</u> ANDERSON FAIR <u>GUY & JESKA FORSYTH 8:30P</u> DOSEY DOE BREAKFAST, BBQ & WHISKEY BAR	11 <u>JB BARNETT 12:30P</u> THE RUSTIC - UPTOWN <u>NHCDS AT AN OLD-FASHIONED CHRISTMAS</u> 3P JONES PARK HUMBLE, TX <u>TOM TRANCHILLA & BUDDY ALLEN 7P</u> MILLBEND COFFEE HOUSE WOODLANDS, TX <u>8P CARI HUTSON AND GOOD COMPANY</u> OLD QUARTER ACOUSTIC GALVESTON, TX
12	13 <u>BLUEGRASS JAM 6P</u> CYPRESS TX <u>EL LAGO IRISH SESSION</u> 6P CHELSEA WINE BAR	14 <u>ACOUSTIC OPEN MIC 6P</u> SWANNY'S GRILL	15 <u>BLUEGRASS JAM 6P</u> WEST U	16 <u>ADAM HOOD 8P</u> OLD QUARTER ACOUSTIC GALVESTON, TX	17 <u>ROCK BOTTOM STRING BAND</u> GRIFTERS & SHILLS AND BRIGHTWIRE 8P OLD QUARTER ACOUSTIC GALVESTON, TX	18 <u>NHC DULCIMER JAM</u> 2P ADVENT LUTHERAN <u>TWO TONS OF STEEL 8P</u> OLD QUARTER ACOUSTIC GALVESTON, TX
19 <u>ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY</u> OLD QUARTER ACOUSTIC GALVESTON, TX	20 <u>BLUEGRASS JAM 6P</u> CYPRESS TX <u>EL LAGO IRISH SESSION</u> 6P CHELSEA WINE BAR	21  <u>ACOUSTIC OPEN MIC 6P</u> SWANNY'S GRILL	22 <u>BLUEGRASS JAM 6P</u> WEST U	23 <u>MARY GAUTHIER & JAIMEE HARRIS 8P</u> OLD QUARTER ACOUSTIC GALVESTON, TX	24 	25 
26 <u>WYLDE MEADE 4P</u> MIDTOWN BAR & GRILL  HAPPY BOXING DAY AND FEAST OF ST. STEPHEN! 	27 <u>EL LAGO IRISH SESSION</u> 6P CHELSEA WINE BAR	28 <u>ACOUSTIC OPEN MIC 6P</u> SWANNY'S GRILL	29 <u>BLUEGRASS JAM 6P</u> WEST U	30	31 <u>SHAKE RUSSELL, MATT HARLAN, KEN AND WAYNE 8:30P</u> ANDERSON FAIR  	1 JANUARY <u>ANNUAL TOWNES VAN ZANDT WAKE 5P</u> OLD QUARTER ACOUSTIC GALVESTON, TX

PLEASE CHECK LINKS FOR DETAILS, CHANGES OR CANCELLATIONS.

CALENDAR EVENTS MAY INCLUDE GENRES OTHER THAN FOLK MUSIC.

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*******MORE LOCAL EVENTS*******

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Sunday, December 5, 2021 at 2 pm
Christmastime on the Emerald Isle
Featuring Houston-based Irish band Hup!
In person: UST Jones Hall, 3910 Yoakum Blvd.
[RSVP](#) for those with mobility issues and for groups of 6 or more.
OR [Live stream](#) via UST Zoom Registration
Free and open to the public.



SATURDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2021
9 AM – 5 PM
Montgomery County
Mistletoe Market
9055 Airport Rd
Conroe, TX 77303-4335



[Saturday, December 11, 2021 from 6–9 PM](#)



Bringing you Glad Tidings with the Traditional Winter Holiday music of centuries past! Some familiar, and some new to your ear!

[Come out to Midtown](#) and share the spirit of the season with us while you enjoy the wonderful delectables they have to offer!

HTX Market

EAT. SHOP. ♥ DO GOOD.

[December Calendar](#)



In-person dances for Houston have been suspended (again).

[Zoom dances](#) from Houston and Austin every Friday from 7:30-9:30



HOUSTON DISTRICT

ROYAL SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCE SOCIETY

**ONLINE ONLY CURRENTLY
UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE**
Tuesday evenings at 7:30pm
[Scottish Country dance class!](#)



All HATDS in-person events remain suspended until further notice.

[For More Information!](#)

CALL FOR VISUAL ARTISTS

Bayou City Art Festival Memorial Park • March 25 - 27, 2022

Application Deadline: December 5th Entry Fee: \$45

[Application](#)

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

HELP SPREAD THE WORD!
The Apprenticeship Program provides awards of up to \$3,000 for artist mentors to offer intensive training in art, cultural, or heritage practices to dedicated apprentices for six to eight months.
Final applications are due December 17!!

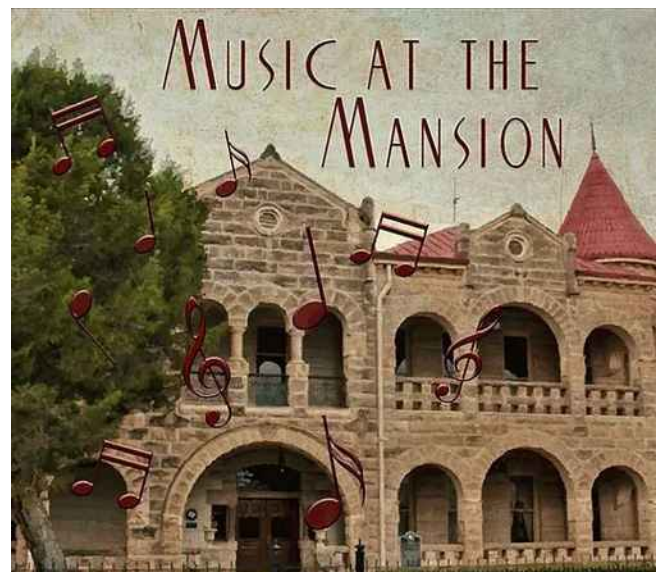


Festival of Texas Fiddling!
December 3-5, 2021
Twin Sisters Dance Hall
Blanco, TX

Saturday Dec. 4, 3:30 p.m.
Schreiner Junkin Campus Ministry Center

Tom Kimmel,
Michael Lille & Kate Wallace
(In-the-Round)

3876 Medina Hwy, Kerrville, TX 78028



DEC 10th, 2021 12 noon through
DEC 13th, 2021 12 noon
[December Gathering](#)
Sherwood Forest Faire
A community building event
featuring live music, pizza lunch
and pot luck meals, site
maintenance, bonfires, and more!
Free and kid friendly!
1883 Old Hwy 20, McDade, TX



Texas Viking Festival 2021 Yuletide
Two Weekends, Saturdays & Sundays
December 11th, 12th, 18th & 19th
10:00 am -7:00 pm Valkyrie Ranch
2030 FM 2104 Paige, Texas

[Christmas Céilidh Band](#)
Saturday, December 11 at 7:30 pm
Rochester Christian Reformed Church
2750 Atlantic Ave
Penfield, NY 14526



MONDAY, DECEMBER 27, 2021
12 PM CST
[Òrain na Nollaige anns a' Ghàidhlig!](#)
(Scottish Gaelic Christmas Carols!)
The Raven Irish Pub
3900 Shelbyville Rd, Louisville, KY

MONDAY, DECEMBER 27, 2021
4 PM CST

A' Chiad Chèilidh Cheanndachaidheach
(The First Kentucky Cèilidh!)

Great Flood Brewing Middletown
12717 Shelbyville Road, Louisville, KY



San Francisco Folk Music Club

Friends and families making home-grown music together



Camp Harmony Online

We will again raise voices and mugs and merriment to ring in the New Year together.

Thursday 30th December 2021 through
Sunday 2nd January 2022

Peter Yarrow and Noel Paul Stookey

(of Peter, Paul & Mary)

March 4th and 5th 2022



JUST FOLKING AROUND



[Handmade Music School](#) - A different lesson every week!



[Jan Seides](#) winner of Austin 2020 Music Instructor Award, piano, voice or guitar. Children and Adults.



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[Ould Sod Virtual Traditional Irish Session](#)



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[Old Time Jams and Other Genres \(Calendar\)](#)



[Su & Jules's Online Old Time Session](#)



[Golden Link / Webster Folk Jam Online](#)



[Monthly 'chantey sing' to support the SF Maritime National Park](#)



[Golden Link Folk Singing Society Virtual Sing Arouds](#)



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[Folk Alliance Internation Live Stream Concerts Calendar](#)



[Golden Link Folk Singing Society Concerts](#)



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[Any Sunday Songwriters - concerts](#)



[Southwest Pickers Covenant Series Concerts](#)



[Folklore Society of Greater Washington Online Concert Series](#)

[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)



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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.**

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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

New Membership Renewal Re-Joining

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

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E-MAIL:

Enclosed is \$20 Annual Dues Enclosed is additional tax deductible donation to nonprofit organization.

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