

# VIOLA DA GAMBA SOCIETY PACIFICA GAMMA NEWS

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## **ANNUAL BASH**

**Please Join Us For Pacifica's Annual Pot-Luck Lunch, Party, and Playing For Each Other and Friends, 6-10-2017!**

Pacifica's annual party and playing event for the 2016-2017 Season will be on Saturday, June 10th at Hillside Swedenborgian Community Church, 1422 Navellier Street, El Cerrito, CA 94530. See the Church's website at [Hillsideswedenborg.org](http://Hillsideswedenborg.org) for directions on how to get there. We will meet in the Sanctuary around 9:30 am for coffee/tea, conversation and to set-up for group performances and the pot-luck lunch. Performances will start at 10 AM. We will plan to end around 12:00 - 12:30 to dine on the wonderful potluck lunch provided by everyone. Wine is allowed but please take home your bottles.

If you haven't signed up yet and want to play, Please email Robin Easterbrook at [reasterbrook@mac.com](mailto:reasterbrook@mac.com) ASAP. Let her know what music you will be performing, the names of your players and their instruments. Extended deadline for sign-ups: June 6th.

## **PICTURES FROM MAY PLAY DAY WITH YUKIMI KAMBE** **Conversation in consort playing—Practice and Technique**



## **FURNISHED APARTMENT FOR RENT IN EL CERRITO**

2 bdrm/2 ba completely furnished apartment for rent from mid-June to mid-September, or any part (minimum 1 wk). Very reasonable rent/plus utilities. Great location. Please contact Pacifica member Heather Wilson for more details at [hi2dougan@gmail.com](mailto:hi2dougan@gmail.com).

## **EVENT CALENDAR**

### **June 8, 8pm: Cindy Beitman Benefit Concert**

Some of you may be aware that Cindy Beitman, the founder and director of WAVE (the Women's Antique Vocal Ensemble), was recently diagnosed with colorectal cancer. After 18 years of leading, directing, and inspiring us, she is now leaving the group in order to focus on her treatment and recovery. To honor her and help raise funds for her during this difficult time, WAVE is producing a benefit concert for her on Thursday, June 8. For this special concert, WAVE will be joined by the WAVE All-Stars, under the musical direction of Shira Kammen.

Lineup:

Shira Kammen, vielle, voice  
Laura Rubinstein-Salzedo, violin  
Penny Hanna, Mary Prout, Tobi Szuts, viols  
Howard Kadis, archlute, baroque guitar  
Joyce Johnson Hamilton, recorder, trumpet, cornetto

Marion Rubinstein, recorder  
Peter Maund, percussion  
Jonathan Salzedo, harpsichord  
Rita Lilly and Phoebe Jevtovic Rosquist, sopranos

Thursday, June 8, 2017, 8pm, St. Mark's Episcopal Church, 2300 Bancroft Way, Berkeley 94704  
Tickets: \$20, at the door. No advance ticket sales. General seating.

If you are unable to attend and would like to make a contribution in honor of Cindy, please send a check payable to WAVE and earmarked in the memo section for the WAVE Founder's Fund to the following address: WAVE, PO Box 688, Berkeley, CA 94701-0688. Please note that this will NOT be a repeat of WAVE's spring concerts, details of which can be found at [www.wavewomen.org](http://www.wavewomen.org)

### **June 9, 6pm: Barefoot Concerts Presents**

Music from *Le Roman de Fauvel*. Bay Area icons Shira Kammen (vielle, medieval harp, voice), Letitia Berlin (recorder, douçaine, voice), Phoebe Jevtovic Rosquist (voice, bells), and Paul Thompson (voice), performing music from the 14th-century *Roman de Fauvel*. The *Roman de Fauvel* is a satirical French poem comprised of fascinating and immensely varied monophonic and polyphonic music and texts. Written in Paris in 1314, the piece is an allegorical tale of a heinous horse who rises to prominence in the French royal court, and through lyrics and music expresses the self-serving hypocrisy of men, and the excesses of those in power. The poem, though banned at the time for being seditious and heretical, was wildly successful and still copied into the 15th century. The compositions range from gorgeous love songs to edgy polyphony of the Ars Nova. All tickets \$15, 18 and under admitted free and welcome. [Tickets online](#) or 510-220-1195 or at the door.

**St. Mark's Episcopal Church, Parish Hall, 2300 Bancroft Way, Berkeley**

**June 9-11, 8pm: HIP Forum (Historically Informed Performance)**

HIP (Historically Inspired Performance) Forum, is an Bay Area ensemble performing music from the Baroque through Classical periods, on historical instruments. The ensemble consists of: Erik Andersen (Cello and Viola da Gamba), Rebecca Molinari (Oboe and Recorder), Derek Tam (Harpsichord), and Kristin Zoernig (Bass). We seek to present a modern concert experience that broadens access to the world of Early Music. HIP Forum will present Mozart's Piano Quartet in G Minor, K.478 and two divertimenti, K. 128 & 251.

**Various locations in Petaluma, Albany, and San Francisco. View [online](#) for complete details, and advanced tickets.**

**June 18-24: SFEMS Baroque Workshop**

The 2017 San Francisco Early Music Summer Baroque Workshop will explore G. P. Telemann's instrumental works for winds and strings, Claudio Monteverdi's sacred and secular music, and Heinrich Schütz' motets composed while visiting Venice. Faculty includes Linda Pearce, Workshop and Artistic Director; David Wilson, baroque violin; William Skeen, baroque cello and viola da gamba. Click [here](#) for details.

**Sonoma State University, Rohnert Park**

**July 2-8: SFEMS Medieval and Renaissance Workshop**

The workshop collegium will perform "The Triumph of Love and Death: Music for the Rise and Fall and Rise of the Medici," a program that captures the lavish culture of Lorenzo de Medici's Florence. Viol faculty includes Mary Springfels, viola da gamba and vielle; David Morris, viola da gamba. Click [here](#) for details.

**St. Albert's Priory, Oakland**

**August 6-12: Viols West**

Co-directed by Larry Lipnik and Ros Morley. Week-long workshop held at Cal Poly University in San Luis Obispo. For complete details, and to register, contact Melita Denny at [violswestworkshop@gmail.com](mailto:violswestworkshop@gmail.com); 805-835-9173.

**San Luis Obispo**

**NEW GAMBA NEWS EDITOR WANTED / GAMBA NEWS WILL BE ON HIATUS UNTIL SEPTEMBER, 2017**

Do you have a nose for news and current events? Do you like to write? If you're interested in becoming the next editor of Gamba News, please contact Cindi Olwell!

Please note that the Gamba News (and monthly play days) will be on summer break during the months of July and August. We will resume Normal activities in September. Happy Summer!

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