

VIOLA DA GAMBIA SOCIETY PACIFICA GAMMA NEWS

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Our last issue until September!

**Deadline June 1: Last Chance
to sign up to play!**

**Pacifica Annual Bash • Sat. June 8
Music / Potluck/ Party**

Hillside Community Church
1422 Navallier St., El Cerrito

**Gather some of your friends and prepare
some music to play for our annual Bash.
Note: OK to include instruments other than
viols in your group**

**TIME LIMIT: 10 minutes/group,
including tuning**

How to sign up to perform at the BASH:

Email Bash coordinator Robin Easterbrook
(reasterbrook@mac.com)
with the following info :

- Names of group's players & instruments
- Title of music your group will perform

**Even if you are not performing, come,
bring friends and a potluck lunch
contribution that doesn't need
reheating; we have access to the fridge,
but not the stove.**

**9am-10:15 Set-up, coffee/tea &
conversation** in the Sanctuary.

*(At this time, performing groups may
rehearse downstairs in the classrooms.)*

10:30 Performances begin in the Sanctuary.
During performance time, please feel free to
dine on our always wonderful potluck lunch.
*(Wine is allowed but please take home your
bottles.)*

After lunch, consort playing upstairs and
downstairs, using music from our Pacifica
Library. Even if you are not part of a pre-
formed group, we'll help folks form groups.
We can continue playing until 2:15.

2:15 Start Cleanup. We must be out of the
church by 3:00 pm.

Thank You to our 2018-19 Play Day Coaches!

Sept. 8, 2018: **Farley Pearce**

Oct. 13, 2018: **Frances Blaker**

Nov. 10, 2018: **Julie Jeffrey**

Dec. 8, 2018: **Roy Whelden**

Jan. 12, 2019: **Gretchen Claassen**

Feb. 9, 2019: **Amy Brodo**

Mar. 9, 2019: **Erik Andersen**

Apr. 13, 2019: **David Morris**

May 11, 2019: **Alexa Haynes-Pilon**



Considering going to Conclave for the first time? Have a look at these videos of folks at Conclave telling us all about it.

https://vdgsa.org/cgi-bin/conclave_testimonials/ct.cgi

COME TO CONCLAVE!

The annual viol extravaganza produced by the Viola da Gamba Society of America is an amazing gathering. It will be held July 21-18 in Forest Grove, Oregon, on the campus of Pacific University, about 30 minutes west of Portland.

There are hundreds of viol players, special classes for beginners, and pages of class choices for everyone else. Take a look at the online brochure which lists faculty, classes, programs and fees:

<https://vdgsa.org/cgi-bin/conclave-2019/2019conclave.cgi>.

Faculty

Erik Andersen	Adaiha MacAdam-Somer
Jack Ashworth	Martha McGaughey
Joanna Blendulf	John Moran
John Cox	Rosamund Morley
Julie Elhard	David Morris
David Ellis	Ellisabeth Reed
Wendy Gillespie	Marie Szuts
Patty Halverson	Arnie Tanimoto
Erin Headley	Lisa Terry
Jane Hershey	Brent Wissick
Julie Jeffrey	Shanon Zusman



Can you help?

Pacifica scholarship awardees need rides to Conclave

Our Pacifica board has awarded partial Conclave scholarships to 4 students of Elisabeth Reed, 3 of whom are students at San Francisco Conservatory of Music, and 1 of whom is a student at University of California, Berkeley.

They are:

Yukei Murakami <sterling.astro@berkeley.edu>
and on Facebook

Alyssa Wright <alyssa.wright@sfc.edu>

Mitso Floor <mitsofloor@gmail.com>

Stephanie Li <stephanie.li@sfc.edu>

Yukei and Alyssa in particular are interested in finding or sharing a ride to Conclave and back (Forest Grove, Oregon). Yukei lives in Berkeley, and Alyssa in Yountville, which is just north of Napa. Stephanie and Mitso live in San Francisco, though Mitso will be in Seattle starting in early June.

If you are in a position to help them find transportation, please be in touch with them directly.

Don't forget to **let me know if you can lend an instrument or provide transportation for an instrument going to Conclave.** Please consider whether you can do this for the period July 20 through 29 or so, depending on transportation details.

Thank you!

Ellen Fisher
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Upcoming Events

Early Music Open Mic thru the summer!

*Thanks to Sal Blaker and Heather Wilson
for arranging these year-round!*

Wed., June 26 • Wed., July 24 • Wed., Aug. 28
7 - 9 PM, Hillside Community Church, El Cerrito

This is your opportunity to perform early music in a friendly cabaret style setting. Soloists, groups, Instrumentalists, singers, students, youngsters—amateurs and professionals—all welcome!

- Bring your own music stand (and a stand light if you need it).
- A state-of-the-art Roland harpsichord/organ is available as well as a piano.
- Six time slots (max 15 min.) available per night.
- To request a spot for a future Open Mic, email Heather Wilson at hi2dougan@gmail.com.**
- Donation of \$5 is accepted to cover refreshments and venue rental.

Mark your calendars!

**Looking ahead with pleasure
to our Play Day coaches for next year—**

Sept. 14, 2019: Elisabeth Reed

Oct. 12, 2019: Julie Jeffrey

Nov. 9, 2019: Erik Andersen

Dec. 14, 2019: David Morris

Jan. 11, 2020: Pat O'Scannell

Feb. 8, 2020: Mary Springfels

Mar. 14, 2020: Amy Brodo

Apr. 11, 2020: Gail Ann Schroeder

May 9, 2020: Frances Blaker

June 27, 2020: Pacifica BASH

*Some of the coaches coming from
out of town may be available
for lessons/coachings.*

We'll let you know well ahead of time.

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The VdGS Pacifica Chapter is an Affiliate of the
San Francisco Early Music Society (SFEMS).

Updating our Website

We are planning to update our Pacifica website.
If you have any suggestions or comments, please
email Sue Jones at scjones360@gmail.com.

**....That's all, folks! Our newsletter will
start up again in September.**