

# Gamba NEWS

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## A POCKET GUIDE

# Viols on the Fringe

If you want to lose a lot of weight during next week's Berkeley Festival and Exhibition, try to attend just half of the listings in the June *SFEMS Early Music News*. There's very little public parking near campus, so allow plenty of time for searching, or take BART or AC Transit. The following listings include only concerts featuring viols – with a few exceptions, such as **David Morris** on cello and **Shira Kammen** on God knows what, performing under the name **Sheena Queen of the Jungle**.

The Festival's Exhibition will be held from Thursday through Sunday that week (June 8-11) in the Pauley Ballroom of the Martin Luther King Student Union building, UC Berkeley campus -- the large building at the corner of Bancroft and Telegraph. Hours are 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. daily, 11:00 to 4:00 on Sunday. Look for the VdGSA's booth, PRB Productions, the Boulder Early Music Shop, and a number of bow and viol makers. The Pauley Ballroom is also the location of a mini-concert Friday June 9 at 2:00 p.m. by the incomparable **Brent Wissick**. The VdGSA booth will offer space to try out bows and instruments, space permitting. Impromptu duets and mini-concerts are encouraged, if you don't mind playing against honks and bleats coming from the instrument makers' section.

### MONDAY, JUNE 5

**10:30 A.M.:** His Majesty's Musicians (**Lee McRae**, **Ralph Prince**, **Cheryl Koehler**) play viols, recorders, and other instruments in a children's program of medieval and Renaissance music, poetry and dance. Program is repeated Tuesday, June 6 at 10:30 a.m. *Zellerbach Playhouse*,

### PLAY DAY SCHEDULE

**Fall 2000 through Spring 2001**

**COACHES WILL BE ANNOUNCED IN THE FALL.**

If you have a 2001 calendar, mark it with Pacifica play days on the second Saturday of each month from September through May, excluding February (Stanford date with John Dornenburg, which is TBA) and April (Fresno North/South Viol Meet, TBA). All play days except February Stanford date will be held at Zion Lutheran Church, 5201 Park Blvd., Oakland.



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**7:00 P.M.:** Angelorum (**Cheryl Ann Fulton**, harp; **Roy Whelden**, viola da gamba; **Peter Maund**, percussion; **Kit Higginson**, recorder). Medieval melodies. *Loper Chapel, First Congregational Church, Dana and Durant, Berkeley. For information: (510) 601-8383.*

### **TUESDAY, JUNE 6**

**10:30 A.M.:** Letitia Berlin, recorders; Julie Jeffrey, viola da gamba; Shira Kammen, baroque violin; and JungHae Kim, harpsichord, will serve coffee and perform a wake-up program, Baroque With a Buzz. *Loper Chapel at First Congregational Church, Dana and Channing Way, Berkeley. Tickets are \$12 and \$7. For more information: (510) 559-4670.*

**3:00 P.M.:** The Second City Musick – viola da gambists **Mary Springfels**, **Craig Trompeter**, and **John Mark Rozendaal**—joined by soprano **Ellen Hargis** and lutenist **Jacob Herringman** in a program of French and English works, including Gibbons, Hume, Marais and Morel. *St. Mark's Episcopal Church, 2300 Bancroft Way, Berkeley. \$15.*

### **THURSDAY, JUNE 8**

**11:00 A.M.:** La Monica (**Phoebe Alexander**, soprano; **Susan Feldman** and **Ondine Young**, baroque violins and viola; **William Skeen**, baroque cello and viola da gamba; **Bruce Burchmore**, lute, theorbo, baroque guitar; **Yoav Stein**, harpsichord and organ): Bach, Bruhns, Couperin, Handel, Merula, Purcell, Vivaldi. *MusicSources, 1000 The Alameda, Berkeley. \$10/\$5. For information, (626) 232-3000.*

**3:00 P.M.:** Baroque Duos for Bass Viols: Sainte-Colombe, Marais, Simpson, Jenkins, Schaffrath. **John Dornenburg** and **Lynn Tetenbaum**, violas da gamba. *St. Joseph of Arimathea Chapel, 2316 Bowditch St., Berkeley. \$12/\$8. For information: (510) 271-8041.*

### **FRIDAY, JUNE 9**

**10:00 A.M.:** Viol master class conducted by English gambist **Erin Headley** of Tragicomedia. *Morrison Hall, Room 125, UC-Berkeley campus, ending at noon. Auditors, \$5.*

**2:00 P.M.:** Exhibition mini-concert by VdGSA President **Brent Wissick**, bass viol and voice: Hume, Lawes, Purcell, Marais, Forqueray, etc. *Fifth floor, MLK Student Union, UC Berkeley campus.*

**7:00 P.M.:** (A Beyond the Fringe Event): La Foolia (**Susannah Madeleine Figaro**, **Sheena Queen of the Jungle**, **Taffy "Bubbles" Westine** and **Fibbee Greg**) in the *Poulet d'Amour*; the east-of-Shattuck premiere of the operetta *Il Mondo Torno*; the Toy Sinfonia; Bernstein's "La bonne cuisine"; and the Tea Cup Stomp. *St. Mark's Episcopal Church, Parish Hall, 2300 Bancroft, Berkeley. Donation. (707) 942-0717.*



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## SATURDAY, JUNE 10

- 11:00 A.M.:** **Leslie Danns**, harpsichord; **Sara Glosson**, viola da gamba; **Jessica Gould**, soprano: Buxtehude, Schenk and Abel. *MusicSources, 1000 The Alameda, Berkeley. Free. (510) 528-1685.*
- 12 NOON:** **Viva Venezia:** 17<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup>-century virtuoso music of Venice by Musica Pacifica. **Judith Linsenberg**, recorder; **Elizabeth Blumenstock**, violin; **Gonzalo Ruiz**, oboe; **Charles Sherman**, harpsichord; and **David Morris** on cello (we'll forgive him). *St. Joseph of Arimathea Chapel, 2316 Bowditch, Berkeley. \$12. For information, (510) 444-4113.*
- 2:00 P.M.:** (tentative): Exhibition viol makers' demonstration program. *Fifth floor, MLK Student Union.*
- 5:00 P.M.:** All-Rameau program by **Rob Diggins**, violin; **Amy Brodo**, viola da gamba; **Katherine Heater**, harpsichord. *College Avenue Presbyterian Church, 5951 College Avenue at Claremont (note: not St. John's), Oakland. Tickets \$15/\$10/\$5. For information, (510) 658-3665.*
- 5:00 P.M.:** **Sara Colburn**, soprano; **David Wilson**, violin; **Kim Pineda**, flute; **David Morris**, viola da gamba; **Linda Burman-Hall**, harpsichord: Clerambault, Couperin, Montclair. *St. Joseph of Arimathea, 2316 Bowditch, Berkeley. \$10/\$8. For information, (510) 451-3125.*

## New Pacifica Officers

Congratulations to our new officers, elected by the VdGSA/Pacifica membership for two-year terms: President: **Julie Jeffrey**; Vice-President: **Lyle York**; Secretary: **Annette Barnett**; Treasurer: **Helen Tyrrell**. Current Members at Large, who did not stand for re-election, are **Cindy Share** (coaching liaison), **John Dornenburg**, **Al Roper**, **Lee McRae** (VdGSA chapter representative), and **John Mark** (Zion Lutheran Church liaison, librarian, music coordinator, rental program coordinator).

## The Spirit of Gambo in Fresno

Our Pacifica and Viols West chapters of the VdGSA had a rewarding weekend with the aid of a travel grant from the VdGSA, which brought Washington, D.C.-based **Tina Chancey** to our annual North-South Meet at Fresno in April, joining our own **Lynn** (needs no introduction) **Tetenbaum**. Their warmth and expertise in coaching groups of various abilities was exemplary. Tina and Lynn brought new ideas for a refreshing addition to our usual schedule at Fresno. Along with the general consort music palette, they offered the following as choices for consorting: French Theatrical Chansons, Scots/Irish Music, Cantigas, Sephardic music, and treble technique. Tina and Lynn prepared a virtuosic program: the D Major Leclair violin sonata on pardessus and bass; Ste. Colombe's *Les Regrets*; Lynn soloed on a movement from the G Major Suite of



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