



Folklore Society of Greater Washington

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Dear [first name],

The arts are a critical element in our lives. Participation in the arts fosters community and connection and can inspire hope for our future. Experience in the arts has been shown to enhance cognitive abilities.

The Folklore Society of Greater Washington stages over 200 folk arts-related events a year amounting to hundreds of hours of programming which gather us together – **dances, concerts, sings, festivals, storytelling, and more** – many of which are free, with the rest offered at discounted prices to members.

“Music is the language of the spirit. It opens the secret of life bringing peace, abolishing strife.” — Kahlil Gibran

If you, like us, believe the arts are a crucial and essential feature of our society, especially now in a time when we are becoming increasingly divided — ***we can use your help.*** **Please consider making a tax-deductible gift to support the work of FSGW.** We need your support to keep folk traditions available for all, now and long into the future.

“The one thing that can solve most of our problems is dancing.” – James Brown

All of us, the Board of Directors, made monetary donations to FSGW this year. Join us in furthering the goals of FSGW. Consider sponsoring a concert, a dance, or a stage at the Washington Folk Festival. Whether \$5000, \$500, or \$5, your gift will make an impact on what we can offer next year. **Donate online at www.fsgw.org/donate** or mail a check to FSGW at the address below. **Any amount helps.**

“We tell stories in order to feel at home in the universe.” — Roger Bingham

We are extremely grateful for your support. Thank you.

Yours in Harmony, FSGW's Board of Directors

Charlie P., Ingrid, Kim, Neil, Jerry S., Nancy, Jim, Ben, Charlie B., Will, Renée, & Jerry B.