



# CFOOTMAD COMMUNITY DANCES

Colorado Friends of Old Time Music and Dance

**March/April 2016**  
**www.cfootmad.org**  
**720-722-1170**

## Boulder Community Contra and Family Dance 1<sup>st</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> Fridays

- Mar 4** "Nova" caller *Christa Torrens*, \$13/6  
 Family Dance prior, 6-7:25pm
- Mar 18** "Avourneen" caller Helle Hill
- Apr 1** "Joel Hayes and Friends" caller Barb Kirchner  
 Family Dance prior, 6-7:25pm
- Apr 15** "Steam" caller Rick Smith

## Denver Contra Dance - 2<sup>nd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> Fridays

- Mar 6** "Nova" caller *Ed Hall*, \$13/6
- Mar 11** "Purple Zephyr" caller Rick Smith
- Mar 25** "Avourneen" caller Helle Hill
- Apr 8** "*Katie McNally and Neil Pearlman*" caller *Peter Johnson*
- Apr 22** "Sandra and Rodney" caller Paul Somlo

## Zesty Contra Dance - 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday

- Mar 12** "Sandra and Rodney" caller Paul Somlo
- Apr 9** "Avourneen" caller Ed Hall

## Westminster Community Dance - 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday

- Mar 26** "Hen Party" caller Richard Myers
- Apr 23** "Lizard Spring" caller TBA

## Fifth Friday Waltz Dance

- Apr 29** No Dance in April

## CFOOTMAD Music Jam - 1<sup>st</sup> /3<sup>rd</sup> Mondays

## Fort Collins FOTD Events - 1<sup>st</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> Saturdays

- Mar 5** "Nova" caller *Paul Somlo*, \$13/6
- Mar 19** "Josie Toney and John Reading" caller Carol Fey
- Apr 2** "Balance and Swing" caller Duffy Boyle
- Apr 16** "Steam" caller Patricia Danscen
- Apr 23** Waltz Night - Spud Bros.(Hayes,Reading,Secor)
- May 7** Wild Asparagus Ball at the Avalon Ballroom

**March 4, 5, 6 - "Nova" - three incredibly  
 talented young people from New England play  
 three dances!!!  
 (www.nova-trio.com)**

**April 8 - New England duo Katie McNally and  
 Neil Pearlman, one dance only!  
[www.katiemcnally.com](http://www.katiemcnally.com) and  
[www.neilpearlman.com](http://www.neilpearlman.com)**

**Sept. 30, Oct. 1, 2 - The return of Elixir!**

## BASIC CFOOTMAD INFORMATION

CFOOTMAD organizes the events listed below and occasional special events. Prices may vary for special events. Children are welcome at dances if supervised by a responsible adult. For CFOOTMAD dance information, call 720-722-1170, Jerry at 303-665-1429 (h) or 303-497-1315 (w), or look us up on the web at [www.cfootmad.org](http://www.cfootmad.org).

## CFOOTMAD EVENT DETAILS

**Boulder Community Contra Dance:** Avalon Ballroom, 6185 Arapahoe. Lesson 7:15. Dance 8-11. \$10/\$8 members/\$5 students. Contact Teri at 303-827-3844.

**Boulder Family Dance (right before the Boulder Community Dance):** First Friday, 6:00, September thru May. No lesson needed; all dances taught. \$15/\$14 family; \$5 individual. Contact Teri at 303-827-3844.

**Denver Contra Dance:** Highlands Masonic Center, 3550 N. Federal Blvd, Lesson 7:15. Dance 8-11. \$10/\$8 members /\$5 students. Contact Duffy at 303-882-9361.

**Music Jam (Denver):** 1st and 3rd Mondays. 7:00 pm. Duffy Boyle and Nancy Reindl's house: 2240 Perry St. Refreshments provided. Contact Duffy at [duffyboyle@gmail.com](mailto:duffyboyle@gmail.com) or 303-882-9361.

**Waltz Night:** All waltzes, live music. Avalon Ballroom, 6185 Arapahoe in Boulder. Fifth Friday when there is one. Lesson 7pm, Dance 8-11. \$10/\$8 members/\$5 students. Contact Viki at 303-666-0561

**Westminster Community Dance:** Traditional American squares, reels, contras, couple, and circle dances. Beginners and experienced dancers of all ages. Westminster Grange, 3935 West 73<sup>rd</sup>. No lesson needed; all dances taught. 7-10. \$8/\$6members, kids \$2. Contact Pat at 303-827-5828.

**Zesty Contra Dance:** Contras for experienced dancers. No lesson, quick walk-throughs and little caller leading. Dances start promptly at 7pm with a waltz. Scheitler Recreation Center at Berkeley Park, 5031 W 46 Ave (just SE of I-70 at Sheridan). Dance 7-10. \$12/\$10 members/\$5 students. Contact Caroline at 303-444-9801.

## FOTD DANCE DETAILS

**Friends of Traditional Dance:** Club Tico in City Park, 1599 City Park Dr. Lesson 7:00. Dance 8-11. \$9/\$5 students, 970-493-8277, [www.fotd.org](http://www.fotd.org). Contact Paul at 970-353-6340.



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## Meet Avourneen

Sometimes tradition can stem from unlikely places.

Avourneen (**pronounced a-VORE-neen**), a Denver-based trio that specializes in Irish folk and other traditional styles of music, doesn't have direct geographic ties to Ireland. The band is composed of guitarist/vocalist Adam Goldstein, a Denver native, violinist CL Morden, an import from California, and Aeryk Parker, a longtime Colorado resident and talented multi-instrumentalist. Together, they play a brand of Celtic music that's both timeless and innovative.

The three members of Avourneen boast long résumés playing Irish, Scottish, Breton and other traditional folk music. Before forming in 2014, Adam, Aeryk and CL were playing age-old tunes professionally. Goldstein (who claims the moniker "Denver's Favorite Irish Jew") has long been a fixture at Lannie's Clocktower Cabaret and other local venues, where he plays Irish folk songs for the club's popular burlesque and variety shows. Morden, a classically trained violinist who earned their bachelor's from the prestigious Lamont School of Music at the University of Denver, has experience as a member of the Denver Philharmonic Orchestra and other orchestral ensembles. Parker, another Lamont grad, plays a wide range of styles, from jazz to choral music to Celtic classics. His former band, Gypsy Caravan, was a fixture at local contra dances.



It was the music of Ireland that brought the three together, and they've made impressive strides in their time together. That progress has included carving out a niche in the Colorado contra dance scene.

Shortly after forming, Avourneen secured a spot as the house band at Katie Mullen's, the largest Irish pub and restaurant in downtown Denver. During St. Patrick's Day weekend within three months of their official launch, Avourneen shared the stage with Pinch of Snuff, a quintet straight out of County Leitrim. The band's version of the Pogues' classic "Fairytale of New York" even earned a shout-out from the Pogues themselves on Facebook. Goldstein and Morden embarked on a trip to Ireland in February, 2015 to study the music at its source.

In 2014, the band released its first independent album, a full-length record titled *Beloved*. That title comes from the Irish root of the duo's official name. Avourneen literally means "dear one" or "beloved" in Irish. The band's diverse interests have made them a natural fit at contra dances, where they play a wide variety of tunes from across the world.

*by Helle Hill*

### NEXT CFOOTMAD NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

Friday, Apr 1 is the deadline for the May/June 2016 newsletter. Submit materials to [newsletter@cfootmad.org](mailto:newsletter@cfootmad.org).

### Consider a Donation to CFOOTMAD

CFOOTMAD is a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization. Funds to support CFOOTMAD come from admission fees, memberships, SCFD and other grant funding, and from generous individuals who give above and beyond their membership dues. Consider making a CFOOTMAD donation to sponsor a dance in celebration of your birthday, anniversary, or any other reason that strikes your fancy. To sponsor an event, contact the dance series coordinator for that event. Thank you to all CFOOTMAD members and a special thanks to those who have made additional donations. Thanks also to the many members of the CFOOTMAD dance community who donate their time and talent in ways large and small.

