



August 2026 Newsletter

2nd Friday Céilí

Live music by: Bronnie Griffin, Bob Soper & Elizabeth Nicholson

Dances called by: Maldon Meehan

With a couple of simple steps (forwards, backwards, and sideways), you can dance any dance!

Where: VFW Hall, 630 Hood St NE, Salem.

When: Friday, August 14

Time: Doors at 7:00 pm, Dance Instruction begins at 7:15 pm, Live Music starts at 8:00 pm.

Cost: \$10.00/person

[Learn more about the 2nd Friday Céilí](#)

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Doors Open 7pm, Lesson 7:15pm, Ceili 8pm

\$10 General | \$8 CVS Member | \$5 Student | \$30 Family
Admission includes dance lesson
VFW Hall, 630 Hood St. NE, Salem, OR

The Céilí of the Valley Society is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization.
For information visit www.ceiliofthevalley.org

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All activities are inclusive. We welcome all people.*

Join our weekly dance class!

Tuesdays, start at 6:30 pm

Admission: \$5 per class – **First new dancers is FREE**

by Elisa Chandler

Hall, 630 Hood St. NE.

Our class is the perfect time to joyful céilí dancing for fun, health, cultural experience. Offers great reduces stress, and welcomes All dances are walked, called and ages and capabilities. Beginners weekly.



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[Learn more about weekly classes](#)



Céilí of the Valley Board meeting

August 4, 2026, 8:00 pm

Meetings are on the first Tuesday of the month after dance class

At: VFW Hall, 630 Hood St. NE, Salem

[Learn more about the CVS Board](#)



Englewood Forest Festival

August 8th, 10:00 am-4:00 pm

Englewood Park, 1260 19th St. NE, Salem

Come celebrate art, nature and community at this free event and enjoy the talents of local artists, musicians and performers. Ceili of the Valley demo team will perform at 2:15 pm.

Learn more here: <https://www.engagewoodforestfestival.org/>

Salem Trad Session

Venti's Cafe, 325 Court St. NE, Salem
Saturday, August 1 and Thursday, August 21 at 7:00 pm

This session is for experienced traditional Irish musicians, but anyone is welcome to listen.

Check out the guidelines and what to expect at a session here: <https://www.salemtradsessions.org/index.html>

Slow Session

Willamette Valley Music, 484 State St, Salem

Saturday, August 1 at 12:00 pm

Are you interested in learning to play at a traditional music session? This is the perfect place to start.

Salem Art Fair

September 11th-13th

Bush's Pasture Park, 600 Mission St. SE, Salem

Join us at this year's Art Fair and Festival. Ceili of the Valley demo team will perform at 12:00pm on Friday and 10:00am on Saturday. Visit us at our booth too!

For more information: <https://salemartfair.org/>



Traditional Irish/Scottish Music Session

Venti's Cafe

325 Court St NE

First Saturdays & Third

Thursdays @ 7:00pm



Learn to play - Slow session at
Willamette Valley Music Company
First Saturdays at noon



Find out more at

www.salemtradsessions.org



National Dance Day at Salem Saturday Market

Saturday, September 19th

865 Marion St. NE, Salem

Ceili of the Valley Demo team performs at 10am. Join us for audience participation dances too!!

Join us!

Renew your membership or join for the first time!

Membership in CVS provides you with a discount on admission fees to CVS events and you receive a frequent class dance card, a free class after 8 classes. Plus it helps support Celtic culture in the community. Membership is \$20 for an adult; \$40 for a family per calendar year.

[Become a member of Céilí of the Valley](#)

Celtic Music Hour

Tuesdays from 10-11 AM



The Celtic Music Hour presents music from the seven Celtic nations from musicians throughout the world. Hosts Ann and Beth, members of the Ceilí of the Valley Society, create weekly themes from Celtic music, culture, and history. The show airs live on KМУZ Tuesday mornings from 10 to 11 am on 100.7 and 88.5 FM.

[Learn more about the Celtic Music Hour](#)

Events

AUGUST

Cucanandy

August, 7th, 6:00 pm-8:00 pm

Caldwell Hill Cellars, 24241 Cardwell Hill, Philomath

For more info: [Cucanandy](#)

Katie Jane Band

August 7th, 6:00 pm

Dullahan Irish Pub, 352 B Ave., Lake Oswego

For more info: [Katie Jane Band](#)

Us and Them

August 9th. 5:00 pm

Rock Creek Tavern, 10000 NW Old Cornelius Pass Rd., Hillsboro

For more info: [Us and Them](#)

Albany Scottish Festival

August 15th and 16th

Timber Linn Memorial Park, 900 Price Rd. SE, Albany

For more info: [Albany Scottish Festival](#)

Bob Soper

August 16th, 5:00pm

Rock Creek Tavern, 10000 NW Old Cornelius Pass Rd., Hillsboro

For more info: [Bob Soper](#)

Cucanandy

August 22nd, 12:45-1:15

Linn County Museum Hands on History Event, 204 N. Main St., Brownsville

For more info: [Cucanandy at Linn County Museum](#)

August 28th, 7:30

First United Methodist Church. 1165 NW Monroe St., Corvallis

For more info: [Cucanandy in Corvallis](#)

Bob Soper

August 23rd, 5:00pm

Rock Creek Tavern, 10000 NW Old Cornelius Pass Rd., Hillsboro

For more info: [Bob Soper](#)

Biddy on the Bench

August 30th, 5:00pm

Rock Creek Tavern, 10000 NW Old Cornelius Pass Rd., Hillsboro

For more info: [Biddy on the Bench](#)

SEPTEMBER**Come From Away**

September 11th-October 3rd, Fridays and Saturdays at 7:30pm, Sundays 2:30pm

Albany Civic Theater, 111 W 1st Ave., Albany

For more info: [Come From Away](#)

San Miguel Fraser

September 11th, 7:30pm

Tsunami Books, 2585 Willamette St., Eugene

For more info: [San Miguel Fraser Eugene](#)

September 15th, 7:00pm

Alberta Rose Theater, 3000 NE Alberta St., Portland

For more info: [San Miguel Fraser Portland](#)

The Weeds

September 10th

Cozine Creek Concerts, McMinnville

For more info: cozinecreekconcerts@gmail.com

September 18th, 8:00pm

Wee Céilí Room, Tualatin

For more info and to make a reservation: [The Weeds Tualatin](#)

Scottish Fish

September 21st, 7:00pm

Alberta Rose Theater, 3000 NE Alberta St., Portland

For more info: [Scottish Fish](#)

Maeve Gilchrist and Seamus Egan, Well-Being Concerts

September 30th, 5:15pm and 7:00pm

Derrick Hall, 470 SW 15th St., Corvallis

For more info: [Gilchrist and Egan](#)

ONGOING EVENTS

Discover more: [CeilioftheValley/ongoing-events](#)

IRISH SESSIONS

Discover more: [CeilioftheValley/Irish-sessions](#)

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