



September 2026 Newsletter

2nd Friday Céilí

Live music by: Teresa Baker, Betsy Branch, Rylan Suehisa & surprise guest musician

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, September 11

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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Join our weekly dance class!

Tuesdays, start at 6:30 pm



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

Instruction by Elisa Chandler

Where: VFW Hall, 630 Hood St. NE.

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

weekly.

[Learn more about weekly classes](#)



Céilí of the Valley Board meeting

September 1, 2026 at 8:00 p.m.

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](#)



Salem Art Fair and Festival

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



Salem Trad Session

Venti's Cafe, 325 Court St. NE, Salem
Saturday, September 4th and Thursday,
September 17th at 7:00 pm

This session is for experienced traditional Irish musicians, but anyone is welcome to listen. The September 17th session is halfway to St. Patrick's Day!

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, September 4th at 12:00 pm

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



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

SEPTEMBER

Frolicking Meese Summer Céilí Class

Tuesdays, 7:30pm-9:00pm

Knights of Pythias Hall, [420 W 12th Ave., Eugene](#)

For more info: [Céilí Class](#)

Heartbleeders

September 6th, 5:00pm

Rock Creek Tavern, [10000 NW Old Cornelius Pass Rd., Hillsboro](#)

For more info: [Cary Novotny](#)

Us and Them

September 13th, 5:00pm

Rock Creek Tavern, [10000 NW Old Cornelius Pass Rd., Hillsboro](#)

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

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](#)

September 17th, 7:00pm
Lincoln Center Cultural Center, [540 NE Hwy 101, Lincoln City](#)
For more info: [San Miguel Fraser Lincoln City](#)

September 18th, 6:30pm
Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, [2945 NW Circle Blvd., Corvallis](#)
For more info: [San Miguel Fraser Corvallis](#)

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](#)

Lisa Lynne and Aryeh Frankfurter at Oktoberfest

September 17th, 12:15pm
September 18th, 1:15pm
September 19th, 2:15pm
Mt. Angel Oktoberfest, [5. N Garfield, Mt. Angel](#)
For more info: [Lisa and Aryeh](#)

Gráinne Hunt and Jules Stewart

September 19th, 7:00pm
Redwood Friends, [2901 SE Steele St., Portland](#)
For more info: [Gráinne Hunt and Jules Stewart](#)

Biddy on the Bench

September 20th, 5:00pm
Rock Creek Tavern, [10000 NW Old Cornelius Pass Rd., Hillsboro](#)
For more info: [Biddy on the Bench](#)

Scottish Fish

September 21st, 7:00pm
Alberta Rose Theater, [3000 NE Alberta St., Portland](#)
For more info: [Scottish Fish](#)

Celtic Light Orchestra

September 25th, 8:00pm
September 26th, 8:00pm
September 27th, 4:00pm
Echo Theater, 1515 SE 37th St., Portland

For more info: [Celtic Light Orchestra](#)

Intro to Irish Dance Traditions

Tuesdays, September 22nd-November 3rd, 10:00am

PCC Rock Creek Campus, [17705 NW Springville Rd., Portland](#)

For more info: [Irish Dance Class at PCC](#)

Irish Set Dancing Fundamentals: Cork and Kerry

Fridays, September 25th-October 16th, 6:30pm

PCC Southeast Campus, [2305 SE 82nd Ave, Portland](#)

For more info: [Cork and Kerry Dance class at PCC](#)

Gymanfa Ganu: Traditional Welsh Festival of Sacred Song

September 27th, 2:00pm

Bryn Seion Welsh Church, [22132 S. Kamrath Rd., Beaver Creek](#)

For more info: [Gymanfa Ganu](#)

Scottish Session

September 27th (4th Sunday of Every Month), 4:00-6:00pm, The Biere Library, 151 Gilbert Hall, Ste 102, Corvallis

Thom Dudley and Eddie Parente

September 27th, 5:00pm

Rock Creek Tavern, [10000 NW Old Cornelius Pass Rd., Hillsboro](#)

For more info: [Dudley and Parente](#)

Maeve Gilchrist and Seamus Egan, Well-Being Concerts

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

Detrick Hall, [470 SW 15th St., Corvallis](#)

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

OCTOBER

Maeve Gilchrist and Seamus Egan: Into the Ice

October 2nd, 7:00pm

Detrick Hall, [470 SW 15th St., Corvallis](#)

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

McMinnville Scottish Festival

October 3rd and 4th

Yamhill County Fairgrounds, [2070 NE Lafayette Ave., McMinnville](#)

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

Alasdair White and Erin McDonald

October 20th, 7:00pm

[540 NE Hwy 101, Lincoln City](#)

Save the date, more info to come.

Newberry and Verch

October 23rd, 7:30pm

Coburg Commons, [91193 N. Willamette St., Coburg](#)

For more info: [Newberry and Verch](#)

Irish Set Dancing Fundamentals: County Clare

Fridays, October 30th- November 20th, 6:30pm

PCC Southeast Campus, [2305 SE 82nd Ave., Portland](#)

For more info: [County Clare dance class at PCC](#)

Tannahill Weavers

October 30th, 7:30pm

Winona Grange, [8340 SW Seneca St., Tualatin](#)

For more info: [Tannahill Weavers](#)

NOVEMBER**Yachats Celtic Music Festival**

November 13th-15th

Yachats Commons, [441 N. Coast Hwy 101, Yachats](#)

For more info: [Yachats Celtic Festival](#)

**At this festival, Elisa Chandler will teach two dance workshops and will call at the céilí.*

Dance Workshops

November 14th, 10:00am-11:00am and 1:00pm-2:00pm

Céilí

November 15th, 12:30pm-1:30pm (A short dance lesson starts at noon before the céilí.)

ONGOING EVENTS

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

IRISH SESSIONS

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

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