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Get The BEAT

MARCH - APRIL 2022

FOM MUSIC SOCIETY ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

APRIL 21st, 2022

7:00pm - Arrive (for slideshow)

7:30pm - AGM STARTS

FEATURING PERFORMANCES BY FOM MUSICIANS!

THE EVENT WILL BE HELD IN PERSON AT ERIC MARTIN PAVILION THEATRE, WITH THE OPTION TO ATTEND VIRTUALLY OVER ZOOM

**ELECTION OF OUR BOARD OF DIRECTORS -
BE THERE TO CAST YOUR VOTE.**

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DATES TO REMEMBER

**SUN MARCH 20th - 'AN EVENING OF MUSIC AND POETRY' AT
THE VICTORIA EVENT CENTRE - FEATURING MINDS AT WORK**

APRIL 15 - 18th - EASTER WEEKEND (NO PROGRAMS)

THURS APRIL 21st - ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

THURS JUNE 16th - CONCERT IN THE PARK

THURS DEC 15th - CHRISTMAS PARTY AT THE DA VICINI CENTRE

COVID SAFETY UPDATE

Now that most of the provincial COVID restrictions are loosening up, our members have asked what FOM will be doing.

- We are continuing to wear masks
- We stay away when we are sick
- We stay 6 feet apart
- The theatre capacity is still at ~15%

This is to keep each other safe in a health care setting, where not everyone is able to be vaccinated.

Check out the 'FOM STORIES' section of our new website, for **Ken's full story** and a feature of his artwork! Visit: <https://friendsofmusic.ca/stories/>
Want to be featured? Email: fommusicsociety2@gmail.com

FOM MEMBER'S FEATURE

Ken And His Accordion

By Ken Beattie

I have played the accordion for most of my life, and have stuck to it. I started learning the instrument at age 8, when 2 door to door salesmen showed up at my home. I took private lessons for 10 years and competed in the early years, placing in several competitions in Victoria and Seattle.

Having been an Air Cadet since age 14, I learned to fly, and received my "Private Pilot Licence" at age 19. Although I take pride in my musical achievements, my flying days mean more to me than anything. Eventually medically grounded, I still cherish the memories.

In 1984 I started busking in the Victoria Inner Harbour. Here I learned to perform in front of people that I met from all over the world, and the tips kept me doing this for 17 years, on and off. This experience led me to many a paid gig, because if people liked the music they heard, they would know if it was a fit for their function. All in all, my accordion has been good to me. It has given me a purpose, the opportunity to make people happy, and an income.

Getting involved with Friends of Music has given me the chance to experiment, be creative & meet like-minded people. As a founding member, I started out in the Moodswing Orchestra, and later moved on to performing with The Eclectics. I also enjoy playing at Open Mic on Sundays. Most of all, I am so happy to see our unique and wonderful organization still going strong.



Ken Beattie
performing
at the Victoria
College Of Art

FRIENDS OF MUSIC CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MARCH 2022

Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.
		1 Learn Ukulele 4-5 pm UKULELIANS 5:00-6:30pm Moodswing Chorus 7-9 pm	2 Beginner Band 11-11:55 Skills Band 12-12:55 Fundamentals 1 - 3 Drumming 5-7pm	3 Eclectics 10:45-12:15 Jazz Improv 1-2pm *Community Concert MINDS AT WORK 6:30-7:15 Orchestra 7:30-9:00 PM	4 Haywires 2-4 Minds at Work 4-6pm	5
6 Recovery Rock Band 2-4 pm Guitar 4:00-5:30pm OPEN MIC 6-8 pm	7 BOARD MTG 5:30pm	8 Learn Ukulele 4-5 pm UKULELIANS 5:00-6:30pm Moodswing Chorus 7-9 pm	9 Beginner Band 11-11:55 Skills Band 12-12:55 Fundamentals 1 - 3 Drumming 5-7pm	10 Eclectics 10:45-12:15 Jazz Improv 1-2pm *Community Concert M. CHORUS 6:30-7:15pm Orchestra 7:30-9:00 PM	11 Haywires 2-4 Minds at Work 4-6pm	12
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27 Recovery Rock Band 2-4 pm Guitar 4:00-5:30pm OPEN MIC 6-8 pm	28	29 Learn Ukulele 4-5 pm UKULELIANS 5:00-6:30pm Moodswing Chorus 7-9 pm	30 Beginner Band 11-11:55 Skills Band 12-12:55 Fundamentals 1 - 3 Drumming 5-7pm	31 Eclectics 10:45-12:15 Jazz Improv 1-2pm *Community Concert FUNDAMENTALS 6:30-7:15 pm Orchestra 7:30-9:00 PM	<p>*ENJOY OUR SPACIOUS INDOOR COMMUNITY CONCERTS AT ERIC MARTIN PAVILION. The 15% capacity limit will give you extra elbow room, as we work together to stay COVID-safe.</p>	

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REMINDER ABOUT MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL: Your membership lasts one year from when you last paid. If your membership is due, please fill out a membership form in person and pay with cash or cheque or head to our website and renew online:

<https://friendsofmusic.ca/become-a-member/>

We now have a 'pay online' option through Interac e-transfer!



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