

SUE CARPENTER'S WORKSHOPS
WINTER FESTIVAL 2015

Beginning Fingerpicking

Level—Advanced Beginner

Tuning—DAD

Whether you're a first-time player or have been playing for years, if you want to learn how to fingerpick, this class is for you. Focus will be on right hand technique and basic fingerpicking patterns through a step-by-step approach using simple exercises to get you started and a lovely waltz Sue composed especially for this class.

International Folk Tunes

Level—Advanced Beginner

Tuning—DAD (bring a capo)

Pack your bags and bring your passport! Your musical trip around the world will feature some familiar and not-so-familiar folk tunes from North and South America, Europe, the Mid-East, and Asia. Bring a capo.

Canon Chorale

Level—Intermediate

Tuning—DAD

In honor of Winter Festival, Sue has composed a 5-part canon. We'll learn each part separately and then assemble the parts into an ensemble. Two of those parts are suitable for advanced beginner players. We'll also examine how to write and arrange a canon of your own.

Chop Chords

Level—Intermediate to Advanced

Tuning—DAD

A chop chord is simply a muted chord, one that doesn't sound the notes of the chord. A mix of sounded and chopped chords along with a steady strum can produce some interesting rhythmic effects and even make your dulcimer sound like a mandolin in a jam session. We'll examine how to use this technique as a back-up tool and as a way to spice up any strummed piece you play.