# Dulci-More Spring 2024 Concert Series All Concerts in the Series will be in the Meeting Room of the

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Salem Municipal Parking Lot directly across Lundy
Use Lundy Entrance, Not Entrance from Dale Shaffer Way (was East Alley)
Admission at Door – \$10 per Person per Concert
Additional \$5 Total for All Children in a Family

No Advance Reservations Needed – Program Subject to Change if Needed Check Link from www.dulcimore.org or Contact Bill Schilling at bill@dulcimore.org or 234-564-3852, 234-564-DULC For More Information

### Bare Bones on Friday, March 1 at 7:00 PM a Cappella Trio from West Virginia

Sometimes All You Need is Three Notes and a Beat.

No guitars. No piano. No drums. Just voices, wringing a remarkable amount of music out of three notes. Great harmony and rhythm are hallmarks of **Bare Bones**.

Rebecca Kimmons is the lead singer, with a strong contralto voice that can deliver a powerful punch of emotion or amusement. Bill Kimmons, her husband, has a memorably deep, resonant bass voice that anchors their sound, and Dock Cutlip's supple tenor can reach high to falsetto, or down to baritone, to add whatever color notes are needed to express the moment. Bare Bones, with Becky and Bill as the core, has been performing in various configurations since 1981. The trio has performed on Mountain Stage, at Tamarack, at Charleston's FestivALL, at the Vandalia Gathering on the grounds of the State Capitol, and has taught



harmony singing at Augusta Heritage Workshops' popular Vocal Week in Elkins, WV, in several summer sessions over a 30-year period. They have produced five albums of music on CD, showcasing the broad range of songs in their repertoire.

### Mike Lenz on Friday, March 22 at 7:00 PM Blues & More Singer/Guitarist from Green, Ohio

**Mike Lenz** is a singer/guitarist based in NE Ohio. He specializes in classic acoustic rural Blues and early electric Blues and is also influenced by most American Roots music styles including classic country, rock, folk, and jazz. He has been playing and teaching music professionally for the last 40 years. Mike's mastery of the various styles and energetic performances always make for an exciting live show, and a must-see for fans of the blues. Mike was previously with us for Dulci-More Festivals 4 & 5 back in 1998 & 1999.

## Dave Haas on Saturday, April 20 at 7:00 PM Mountain Dulcimer Specialist from Charleston, West Virginia

Dave Haas lives in Charleston, WV, and loves to perform and teach others how to play the mountain dulcimer! He has been playing the dulcimer since 1990, and loves to share the mountain dulcimer and its history with schools, churches, and civic organizations. He has even brought dulcimer music to those in prison! Dave also plays the guitar, sings, and leads music on Christian retreat experiences. Dave has released three dulcimer CDs, five dulcimer instruction/CD workbooks, and a popular dulcimer chord chart.

In addition to the concert, Dave will also be giving mountain dulcimer workshops on Saturday, April 20. He will probably offer three hour and a half workshops on subjects to be determined at a location to be determined in Salem. Contact Bill Schilling for more information on or to register fo workshops. Dave performed for the Dulci-More Concert Series in 2013 and 2023.



#### Sparky & Rhonda Rucker on Sunday, May 12 at 4:30 PM Singers, Storytellers, and Multi-Instrumentalists from Tennessee

**Sparky and Rhonda Rucker** perform throughout the U.S. as well as overseas, singing songs and telling stories from the American folk tradition. Sparky Rucker has been performing over forty years and is internationally recognized as a leading folklorist, musician, historian, storyteller, and author. He accompanies himself with fingerstyle picking and bottleneck blues guitar, banjo, and spoons. Rhonda Rucker is a musician, children's author, storyteller, and songwriter. Her blues-style harmonica, piano, old-time banjo, and bones add musical versatility to their performances.

Over forty years of performing, Sparky and Rhonda have performed at the Kennedy Center in Washington D.C. and the Smithsonian Folklife Festival as well as NPR's On Point, Prairie Home Companion, Mountain Stage, and Morning Edition. Their recording, Treasures & Tears, was nominated for a W.C. Handy Award, and their music is also included on the Grammy-nominated anthology, Singing Through the Hard Times.

Sparky and Rhonda have previously performed for the Dulci-More Concert Series in 2017 and 2022 and for Dulci-More Festival 24 in 2018.