

Vienna Union Hall News

Mamas Come to Town!

The Porch Party Mamas

Join the fun at the Vienna Union Hall this month for the **Porch Party Mamas**, as a group of dynamic women from the Boston area perform at the Union Hall on **Saturday, June 23** at 7:00 PM.

Inspired by playing and singing each others songs at their own "porch parties", these established Boston area musicians and singer/songwriters decided to combine their individual talents and create their own brand of Urban Folk, Country and Blues. They took their act on the road and "Porch Party Mamas" was born. All are seasoned players, each with their own pervasive individual music persona and critical accolades. Between them, they have shared the stage with a distinguished litany of artists, including Willie Nelson, the Indigo Girls and Lyle Lovett.

Acoustic guitars, banjo, fiddle, ukelele, accordion and "exotic percussion instruments pepper and punctuate dreamy, floating vocal melodies in the best possible way. These mamas borrow from folk, Celtic, rock and roll, and even show tunes motifs to arrive at their own, meaningful songs, songs filled with emotion, exquisite instrumentation, and

ethereal singing." They set a mood in their music that the listener will not easily forget.

The individual members of the mamas are : **Felicia Brady**, a tour de force of musical abilities and creativity, raised in Oklahoma and Texas in a household where her mother and piano teacher were one and the same. Felicia wields a smokin' accordion and is an accomplished singer, songwriter, and multi-



instrumentalist with two beautifully crafted CDs to her name, "Magazine Street" and "Pretty Soon."

Jane Grondin grew up in Texas, studying classical violin and piano. She has toured and recorded with the popular Texas progressive country-rock band, Dogtooth Violet. With this group, she shared the stage with musicians such as Lynard Skynard and Louisiana & Texas Blues man Clarence Gatemouth Brown.

She took up celtic fiddling and learned Irish & Scottish fiddling styles. She has performed in several Renaissance Fairs and various musical theatre formats.

Ksenia Mack got her degree in classical guitar at U Conn, Ksenia covered the local bar circuit and gave numerous interviews on college radio stations, and opened for Arlo Guthrie while still in her teens. Over the course of her career, Ksenia has opened for Willie Nelson, Indigo Girls, Warren Zevon, Marc Cohn, Robert Cray, The Guess Who, Kate and Anna McGarrigle, Ferron, Paula Poundstone, Aleka`s Attic, Aimee Mann, and Marti Jones.

Katrin Peterson is a powerful percussionist force in her own right, Katrin integrates the powerful rhythms of South America with the necessities of American Folk music. A Swiss national, she received her formal training in music and percussion in Germany and Holland and continued her studies in Brazil, Cuba and New York.

Kelly Riley sings her heart out and plays guitar and bass. She is a Berklee College of Music Alum and an Award-Winning performer and songwriter. Kelly has also opened for some notable musicians, including Willie Nelson and Lyle Lovett.

Tickets for this show are \$12.00. They can be purchased online on the [Vienna Union Hall website](#) or from individuals in Vienna. For more information on the Mamas call 293-2674 or 293-2362 or email viennaunionhall@gmail.com.

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Upcoming Events

June 23 - Saturday - [Porch Party Mamas](#)
 July 7 - Saturday - [Capitol City Improv](#)
 July 26-28 - Thursday-Saturday - [Historical Society Plays](#)
 August 6 - Monday - [Village Harmony](#)
 August 11 - Saturday - [Aztec Two-Step](#)
 August 25 - Saturday -Folklorica - Mexican Dance
 September 1- Saturday - [Bearnstow Resident Dance](#)
 September 8 - Saturday - [Novel Jazz](#)
 October 27 - Halloween Dance
 November - Fall Feast - fund raising Dinner
 December 15 - Saturday - Winter Revels

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