

Over the Waves

This is an occasional column (perhaps *too* occasional, lately...) dealing with folk music on the radio (maybe on TV too, if people want to write about that). It may be informational, with listing of times and stations of programs carrying folk music, or it may be opinion, with comments on the current state of broadcasting as it relates to folk music. Sometimes (most of the time, we hope!) it isn't written by us—readers are invited to air their views, or to let us know about programs in their regions.

"Uptown Bluegrass" is a syndicated radio show originating from Kamloops; their ad in *Bluegrass Canada* magazine caught my eye. Seems they've been on the air for 17 years in BC, and also can currently be heard Sunday evenings in Prince George, BC, Peace River, Alberta, and Winkler, Manitoba, and Saturday evenings in Altona, Steinbach and Boissevain, Manitoba. They are of course looking for bluegrass recordings, especially Canadian, to program. (With Canadian content regulations, and the underrepresentation of recordings by Canadian bluegrass bands—changing for the better, we hope!—Canadian bands are a good bet to get airplay!). You can reach them by mail at Uptown Bluegrass, PO Box 1372, Kamloops, BC V2C 6L7; phone them at (250) 573-2428; email them at <bluegrass@sage.ark.com>.

Staying in BC, here are some Vancouver-area show listings plucked from the Three Quarter Times, newsletter of the Vancouver Folk Song Society:

- "Folk Oasis" Wed., 9:00-10:30 p.m., CiTR FM 101.9
- "In the Claddagh Ring" Fri., 6:30-8:00 p.m., CFRO FM 102.7
- "The Edge on Folk" Sat., 8:00 a.m.-noon, CiTR FM 101.9
- "Global Village" Sat., 7:00-8:00 p.m., CBC Radio One AM 690
- "North by Northwest" Sat., 6:00-9:00 a.m., Sun., 6:00-7:00 and 8:00-9:00 a.m., CBC Radio One AM 690
- "Prairie Home Companion" 5:00-7:00 p.m., KUOW Cable FM 95.1
- "Saturday Night Blues" 11:00 p.m.-1:00 a.m., CBC Radio One AM 690
- "In the Pines" Sun., 2:30-4:00 p.m., CFRO FM 102.7
- "Roots and Wings" 5:00-6:00 p.m., CBC Radio One AM 690
- "What the Folk" 4:00-5:50 p.m., CFRO FM 102.7

So what's happening in your city? [JL]

Lost Soul

The member listed below has moved without sending us a new address. Please help us find her! If you know of her new whereabouts, please let us know.

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News, Views, & Stuff

The preliminary program for *Performing Ecstasies: Music, Dance, and Ritual in the Mediterranean* (Los Angeles, October 13-22, 2000) including information about the conference, exhibits, concerts, music/dance workshops, and food events, as well as registration and hotel, is now available:

<www.ethnomusic.ucla.edu/Conference/home.htm>

For updates on this international symposium/festival, consult this website in the coming months.



Alert readers may have heard some of Sheree King Gillcrisp's poems read on the CBC recently and wondered whether or not this is the same Gillcrisp who has been a reviewer for the *Bulletin* for several years. The answer is yes. Sheree is now resident in Ireland, where she is "actively promoting" Canadian folk music. Her book of poems, *Wandering Spirits And Rest-*

less Hearts, can be purchased for \$20.00 from her at 81 Blackhall Square, North Brunswick Street, Dublin 7, Ireland. Among other titles, she recommends the following items to *Bulletin* readers: "Feminist Farmers Daughters," "Song of the Reel," "Home from the Hunt," "Spirits Serenade" ("about Joe Grant of Tanglefoot playing his fiddle to the churning seas of the Atlantic"), and "Maids of the Morn."



The 30th annual international conference of the Kommission fur Volksdichtung/International Ballad Commission of the International Council for Traditional Music/Société Internationale d'Ethnologie et de Folklore, and will take place in Bucharest, Romania, August 15-20. The local contact person is Dr. N. Constantinescu, Department of Letters, University of Bucharest, Str. Edgar Quinet 5-7, R-70106 Bucharest, Romania; fax: (401)