

New "Music in the Gardens" component celebrates the Tour's Tenth Anniversary!

This year musicians and singers will be performing at sixteen gardens and nurseries on the week-end of the Tour. Here is a list of the musical offerings that are available on Sunday, May 4, 2014. At the bottom is a list of the musicians that will be performing in native plant nurseries on the week-end of the Tour.

Pinole

#1 Kim and Jeff Jerge's garden

11:30 to 12:15, and 12:30 to 1:30 John Conry, baritone, and Sarge Gerbode, lute and archlute, will perform lute songs composed in the 16th and 17th centuries by Dowland, Strozzi, Purcell, and others.

Kensington

#8 Seibe Lee and Joel Schoolnik's garden

12:00-1:00 A trio of woodwinds, with Fern Burch on clarinet, Kara Koffron on flute, and Nathaniel Echols on bassoon, will play classical music.

Berkeley

#11 California Native Bee Garden

10:00–11:00 Mardi and Jeff Mertens will perform Renaissance music with recorders, voice and guitar.

1:30–2:30 the Berkeley Community Chamber Singers will perform a variety of a cappella songs, from madrigals to gospel, popular, and jazz.

#12 Elisa Mikiten's garden

12:00-12:45 Mary Ford will play the Appalachian dulcimer and sing folk, country, and uncategorized fun songs.

Oakland

#15 Joe and Holly Maffei's garden

3:00–4:00 Mardi and Jeff Mertens will perform Renaissance music with recorders, voice, and guitar.

#17 Tai Moses and Michael Kerner's garden

A little bit of sweet background ukulele will be played by Erich Sylvester now and then between 11:00 and 2:00.

Guitar music will be played from 2:30 to 5:00

#18 Due Duckles and Cherie Donahue's gardens

Flute duets performed by Larry Duckles and Ben Borson 11:30 to 12:30, and 2:30 to 3:30.

#20 Carol Baird and Alan Harper's garden

11:00-1:30 Douce Ambiance will play a surprising and delightful blend of Swing, Manouche, or Gypsy Jazz and French, with a touch of Americana, Hawaiian, and Celtic.

#21 Carrie Knapp's garden

Ensemble Pomposo will play baroque music on original instruments (oboe, flute, recorder, bassoon, and a harpsichord) from 2:00 to 3:00.

Livermore

#26 Deb Selig will play guitar & sing "folksy" music between 1:00 and 3:00.

Moraga

#29 Al and Barbara Kyte's garden

12:00-1:30 John Feldmeyer and John Kyte will play acoustic guitars.

Walnut Creek

#32 Stephen Barbata and Joyce Kirstein's garden

Rock riffs for watching wildflowers by Sweetleaf, 3:00 to 5:00.

Music in the Nurseries, too

Three participating nurseries will feature live music on the weekend of the Tour

Berkeley

Native Here Nursery (see page 11)

Saturday, May 3

12:00-3:00 The Possum Family Singers will sing and play original songs and Americana on guitars, banjo, cello, mandolin, bass guitar (and perhaps accordion!).

Concord

Markham Nature Park and Arboretum (see page 12) **Saturday, May 3**

12:00-1:00 Michael Thelen will play guitar and sing songs from the '60s and '70s, such as the Beatles, Simon and Garfunkel, Neil Diamond, and John Denver.

Richmond

The Watershed Nursery (see page 12)

Sunday, May 4

1:00-4:00 Iko Yaya will perform New Orleans-based R & B, blues, and other danceable tunes. Featuring Cheryl McBride on vocals & percussion, Jim Scott on guitar, Ryan Houck on bass & vocals, & Dave Rogers on drums, keyboard, harmonica & vocals.