

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

D05	DEMO: LESSONS FROM THE PAUPER GRAVES: THE JOURNEY TO MEMORIALIZE IRISH IMMIGRANTS IN UNMARKED GRAVES IN LEADVILLE, COLORADO ALL JAMES WALSH 9:30am – 11:00am \$35 LIBRARY During Leadville Silver Rush from 1877-1895, thousands of Irish immigrants poured into Leadville excited to seek wealth and opportunity. They built the most vibrant and one of the largest Irish communities in the Rocky Mountain region. Thousands of them are buried in the pauper section of Leadville's Evergreen Cemetery, where nearly half of the over 7,000 burials are children under the age of 5. This research led to the construction of the Leadville Irish Pauper Memorial in 2023, now the most significant public history space for Irish history and culture in the American West.
W08	SESSION PLAYING PT. II INT/ADV CAROLINE KEANE AND TOM DELANY AND FRIENDS 9:30am – 11:00am \$35 LA VETA MERCANTILE We bring together the melody and rhythm groups from Friday to combine your newly acquired session playing skills. Attendance at the Friday workshops strongly recommended.
W09	FIDDLE: EXPANDING TECHNIQUE INT/ADV LOUIS SCHRYE 11:00am – 12:30pm \$35 THEATER This class is for the accomplished fiddle player who would like to add elements of a more advanced style to their repertoire.
W10	GUITAR: ACCOMPANIMENT WITH STYLE BEG/INT AIDAN MOODIE 11:00am – 12:00pm \$25 MTHDST CHURCH, UL This class is for newer guitarists and those new to Scottish traditional music. We will focus on how to add and develop your own style for effective accompaniment.
D06	DEMO: HOW TO GET SOUND FOR YOUR BAND ALL DANA BURGESS 11:00am – 12:00pm \$25 LIBRARY There are three ways sound happens for a band: sound is provided, you can hire a sound engineer, or you can build your own system. Learn which might be best for your band.
W11	FLUTE - EXPANDING TECHNIQUE INT/ADV TIERNAN CURRELL 11:00am – 12:30pm \$35 THEATER Attention is given to ornamentation, breathing, style and repertoire, while continuing to emphasize rhythm and phrasing in the music. Tunes will be taught by ear so bring a flute and a recording device.
W12	UILLEANN PIPES BEG/INT TOM DELANY 11:15am – 12:30pm \$25 COMMUNITY CENTER A special session for uilleann pipe players.
F08	CEILI IN THE PARK ALL FESTIVAL ARTISTS 12:15pm – 1:15pm FREE LV PARK PAVILION Join us for an hour of dance and fun in the La Veta Park. Bring a lunch and be prepared to “kick up your heels”
W13	WHISTLE BEG/INT DAVE MIGOYA 1:00pm – 2:00pm \$25 MTHDST CHURCH LL Whistle – Beg/Int Basic technique and tunes.
W14	HARP BEG/INT LEXIE BOATRIGHT 1:30pm – 3:00pm \$35 MTHDST CHURCH UL Get the most out of your playing, whether solo, with a group, or in a session.

D07	DEMO: CELTIC ART AND DESIGN ALL LISA DAVIES 1:30pm – 2:30pm \$25 COMMUNITY CENTER Lisa Davies, artist and jewelry designer, will give an overview of the history of Celtic art, followed by a more in-depth look at the five elements of Celtic art focusing on knotwork in particular. Students will learn simple techniques to draw designs themselves and will be given some fun materials to practice with at home.
D08	DEMO: SOUNDS OF COUNTY KERRY ALL CAROLINE KEANE AND TOM DELANY 2:00pm – 3:30pm \$35 THEATER Enjoy a trip through CO. Kerry with music and stories.
D09	DEMO: HIGHLAND DRESS ALL DON LOWE 3:00pm – 4:00pm \$25 LIBRARY This presentation provides a description of tartans and the history of the kilt, women's dress, and accessories for men and women. This is an audience participation session. Experience the "Mistake of the Kilt". Be prepared to be informed and entertained.
F09	SLOW SESSION ALL DENNIS DOYLE, AUSTIN DOYLE, FESTIVAL STUDENTS, & FRIENDS 3:00pm – 4:00pm FREE LA VETA MERCANTILE A drop in, slow session for festival students and anyone who might want to join them.
W15	BODHRAN: BACKING A TUNE BEG/INT CRAIG BAXTER 3:00pm – 4:00pm \$25 MTHDST CHURCH LL For students interested in accompanying tunes on the bodhran.
D10	DEMO: CELTIC WEAPONS ALL DON LOWE 4:00pm – 5:00pm \$25 LIBRARY In this presentation, you will learn of the turbulent culture of the Celts as illustrated by the Highland clearances and the Battle of Culloden in Scotland. You will see an extensive collection of Celtic weapons from Ireland, Scotland, and Wales, and hear of the legends associated with many of them.
C04	CONCERT: BRIDGING THE BLUE AND THE GREEN ALL TONY FURTADO TRIO, MAIRE EGAN, JOHNNY B. CONNOLLY, AND CARY NOVOTNY 7:00pm \$40 WASHINGTON SCHOOL, WALSENBURG Join us for a celebration of Celtic and bluegrass music. Sure to be a delight for all!
LATE NIGHT SESSIONS (from 10:00pm to closing) IN LA VETA: LA VETA MERCANTILE IN WALSENBURG: CRAFTY CANARY	

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

F10	SUNDAY TEA AND SCONES 9:00am – 11:00am Enjoy conversation, camaraderie, music, tea and scones.	FREE	ALL ESTELLE CENTER
F11	POP-UP SESSIONS 11:30am – 12:30pm This is your chance to get together with your mates for one last chance to play your favorite tunes together. Find a spot in the park, outside the La Veta Mercantile, near the Festival office, or wherever you can create music together!	FREE	ALL VARIOUS
C05	FINAL CONCERT: CECILIA AND FRIENDS (SEATING LIMITED - ADVANCE TICKETS ONLY) 1:00pm Final Concert and Farewell from the 2026 Spanish Peaks International Celtic Music Festival!	\$40	ALL LA VETA MERCANTILE