

MIGHTY UKE DAY 6 WORKSHOPS

FRIDAY 5/13

1:30 - 3:00

Performance Skills Workshop Level I with Victor & Penny

\$40 (10% off with three or more paid workshops)

Elderly Instruments

Learn valuable tips on how to present your songs in a live performance setting. Together we'll practice how to connect with the audience, manage stage fright and to focus on singing, playing and remembering your lyrics all at the same time. (Beginner to Intermediate level.)

3:30- 5:00 SOLD OUT

Ukulele as a Rhythm Instrument with Victor and Penny

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Want to play more confidently and musically? Erin McGrane and Jeff Freling of Victor & Penny show you the difference between just strumming along and driving the rhythm. Learn simple but effective strumming techniques and delve into the styles of swing, hot jazz and gypsy jazz. Rock steady rhythm is the backbone of every good song so jump on the train! (Beginner to Intermediate level)

SATURDAY 5/14

11 - 12:30 Performance Skills Workshop Level II with Victor & Penny SOLD OUT

Red Cedar Friends Meeting House

\$40 (10% off with three or more paid workshops)

Continues and expands upon Level I workshop for the more advanced performer those who took their class Friday. Includes an opportunity to receive feedback on your prepared piece. (Confident Beginner to Advanced Intermediate)

11 - 12:30 Right Hand Coordination and Accuracy with Kalei Gamiao

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\$40 (10% off with three or more paid workshops)

Kalei discusses and demonstrates strumming and picking techniques, adding dynamics, maintaining control, and how to come up with your own unique strumming patterns (Confident Beginner to Intermediate)

11 - 12:30 Intro to U-Bass: Mastering the Bass & Creating Simple Beats w/Rick Willoughby

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\$25 (10% off with three or more paid workshops)

Rhythm is the foundation of any great group, Whether it be a giant upright or a tiny Kala U-Bass, the bass player is responsible for keeping it all together. That could be you in your local uke club! In this workshop, we will cover all the features of the Kala U-Bass and the fundamentals you need to start your new "bass-ic" passion. By the end of this workshop you will be able to play bluegrass, swing, & Latin beats. The class will include plenty of jamming and time for questions. (All levels)

11 - 12:30 Childrens Uke Workshop and Concert with Papa Crow

Creative activities with Fawn Kopas

Mother Earth and Baby Boutique

FREE

Marquette's Papa Crow (Jeff Krebs) is well-known in the Upper Midwest as a fun and engaging family music performer, playing for kids at churches, libraries, daycares, schools, and festivals. He will present a short childrens (ten years old and under) ukulele workshop and perform a set of music followed by other children's activities including a puppet show of "Lava" with Fawn Kopas. Ukuleles will be provided.

1:00 - 2:30 Playing Hand Percussion with Others with Carolyn Koebel

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Shakers, tambourines, bongos, and other portable percussion can sound great with a uke combo or group when properly played. This workshop will explore assorted percussion techniques for a spectrum of instruments and styles. Rhythmic grooves and their "translation" to hand percussion will be discussed, explored, and experienced. The role of percussion goes much deeper and further than keeping time, this class will help you learn to listen and flow into musical spaces. Bring your own shaker eggs and other rhythm instruments and have great fun while making good music. (All levels)

1:00 - 2:30 Developing More Left-Hand Strength and Flexibility with Kalei Gamiao

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Kalei will share his signature warm up and practice strategies including stretches, chord and melody warm ups, techniques to eliminate note buzzes, loosening your strumming hand, and how to play more cleanly. (Confident Beginner to Intermediate)

1:00 - 2:30 Introduction to the Harmonica with Andy Wilson

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Learn to play the harmonica with multi-instrumentalist and harmonica specialist Andy Wilson. With over 30 years of experience, Andy has taught workshops at several festivals around the country, and was a featured performer at the 2007 Society for the Preservation and Advancement of the Harmonica convention. This workshop will include something for everybody, from first time players to intermediate musicians looking to advance their playing. Bring your favorite key of C diatonic harmonica, pick up a recommended harmonica at Elderly Instruments, or have one provided for you! Recommended Harmonicas: Hohner Blues Band sku: HO1501 \$5.95, Suzuki Folkmaster sku: S1072 \$11.95, Hohner Big River sku: HO590 \$30.50, Hohner Marine Band sku: HO1896 \$44.99. (Beginning to Intermediate)

1:00 - 2:30 Beginning Workshops with Papa Crow (Ages 10 - Adult)

Mother Earth and Baby Boutique

FREE (sponsored by Interlochen Center for the Arts)

Want to learn to play the uke? Papa Crow will give you a brief introduction to the ukulele followed by fun hands-on basics such as: how to hold your uke, basic rhythm and strumming on the uke, your first uke chord and song, second and third uke chord and songs using two and three chords. Bring your own uke or use one of our loaners. (Beginning)

3:00 - 4:30 Beginning Hula with Melanee Hirvela

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Learn the graceful dance of the Hawaiian Hula in this one and a half hour workshop with Hoaloha's Polynesian Dance Instructor and Coordinator Melanee Hirvela. Learn basic steps, movements, and choreography. Hula allows dancers to tell the stories of the land, history, tradition, and culture of the Hawaiian people. Experience joy and good health and gain cultural appreciation by learning this beautiful dance. Bring a small towel and a water bottle. Bring a pa'u skirt or sarong if you have one. (All levels)

3:00 - 4:30 Soloing with Kalei Gamiao

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Learn the basics of soloing including choosing the proper key, making the limitations of the ukulele work for you, choosing the right chord positions and chord substitutes, combining chords with melody, and developing a better musical ear. (Intermediate to Advanced Intermediate)

3:00 - 4:30 Ukulele Care and Setup with Kjell Croce & Jonathan Moody

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FREE (sponsored by GHS Strings)

Learn how to take care of your ukulele, change strings, and do minor setup. Free set of uke strings courtesy of GHS. (All Levels)

3:00 - 4:30 Two-Chord Songs with Punch Drunk

Mother Earth and Baby Boutique

FREE (Sponsored by Punch Drunk)

They're back! Chuck Deyo, John Steven French, and Sara Wagner will lead you in a strum and sing of songs with just two chords that anyone can play. (All levels)