

Scottish Autoharp Weekend

The first ever Weekend in Scotland devoted to *all things Autoharp* will be held in the Dumfriesshire village of Moniaive over 12-14 August 2011. The main programme of autoharp-related workshops and concerts will happen on Saturday the 13th, but additional music sessions on Friday and Sunday offer the opportunity to extend the music and the pleasure for the entire weekend. A Sunday morning Autoharp Gospel Service in St. Ninian's Parish Kirk will also showcase the weekend's tutors and performers. Contact Nadine White: nadine@ifwtech.co.uk for further details.

Draft Programme

Friday 12th August

Evening from 7.30 pm onwards '**Meet the Autoharpers**' informal pub music and song session in the Craigdarroch Hotel. Instruments other than autoharp are very welcome. Sign up in advance to be sure you are allocated a loaner autoharp for Saturday morning's Hands-ON Autoharp Taster.

Saturday 13th August

Venue for all workshops and the concert is the Institute Building (opposite the Green Tea Room).

Morning - Choice of Workshops

9.30-12 noon - **FREE Hands-ON Autoharp Taster**– Mike Fenton with support from (t.b.c. Rachel Fenton and Heather Farrell-Roberts) upstairs in The Institute. (*Beginning autoharpers who have their own instrument are welcome to sit in on this workshop, free of charge*).

9.30-11.30 - Using your Autoharp in a Music Session— Nadine & Ian White + local musicians on other instruments — (downstairs room in the Institute) Workshop Fee or Saturday Ticket

Lunchtime – Pub Sessions

12 noon -1.30 **Pub Session (anchored)** singing/playing in the Craigdarroch

Instrumental Pub Session in the George Hotel (anchored by local musicians t.b.c.)

Pub Sessions may continue informally throughout the day.

Afternoon – choice of Workshops

2pm –3.30 pm Autoharp Beginners Workshop– Heather Farrell-Roberts (upstairs in the Institute)

2pm – 3.30 pm – **Singing with the Autoharp** – Nadine White (downstairs in the Institute)

Evening – Autoharp Extravaganza Concert

7.30-10.30 featuring performances by Mike Fenton, Heather Farrell-Roberts, Nadine Stah White and George Haig (t.b.c.)

Sunday 14th August

Morning (10 AM) – Autoharp Gospel Service – St. Ninian's Parish Kirk featuring Mike Fenton, Heather Farrell-Roberts and Nadine Stah White

Midday - Gentle pub sessions for all who will.

Saturday Workshop: £5.00 each ('Hands-ON Taster' is free.)

Saturday Concert: Adults £10.00 (children £5.00 – under 7 free)

Saturday Whole-Day Ticket: £15.00

