

**HANDMADE MUSIC SCHOOL & SOUTHERN MOUNTAIN MELODIES**  
**ONE DAY VOCAL WORKSHOP**  
**APRIL 15, 2017 9:30-4:30**  
**INFORMATION / FAQ'S**

**Workshop Description:**

Immerse yourself in traditional duet and harmony singing with renowned Old-Time musicians, Mac and Jenny Traynham. Geared toward those who already love to sing, you will focus on adding traditional songs to your repertoire while developing an ear for identifying harmonies.

**Where is the Workshop?**

The Southern Mountain Melodies Workshops take place at the home of our instructors, Mac & Jenny Traynham (in Willis VA)

**How much does it cost?**

The cost per person is \$85.00. This includes lunch and 10% discount toward your ticket to the Howard and Tricia Rains concert at the Floyd Country Store in the evening.

**Is lodging included?**

Lodging is NOT included in the fee, however here are some great options for some of our favorite lodging partners:

- **Hotels & Bed & Breakfasts**
  - [Mac & Jenny's House](http://southernmtnmelodies.com/accommodations/) - <http://southernmtnmelodies.com/accommodations/>
  - [Pine Tavern Lodge](http://www.thepinetavern.com/) - <http://www.thepinetavern.com/>
  - [Hotel Floyd](http://www.hotelfloyd.com/) - <http://www.hotelfloyd.com/>
- **Cabins & Campgrounds:**
  - [Chantilly Farm](http://chantillyfarm.com/wp/camping/) - <http://chantillyfarm.com/wp/camping/>
  - [Daddy Rabbits](http://daddyrabbitscampground.com/) - <http://daddyrabbitscampground.com/>
  - [Floyd EcoVillage](http://www.floydecovillage.com/campground.html) - <http://www.floydecovillage.com/campground.html>

**Are meals included? What if I have dietary restrictions?**

Home-cooked lunch at Mac and Jenny's is included.

\* If you have dietary restrictions or preferences, please let us know in advance so we can be helpful.

\*Please note that meals are provided for registered students only. We are happy to provide meals for spouses and/or guests for an additional fee, please request additional meals for your guest in advance.

**Can I bring a spouse or guest?**

Absolutely! However, the complimentary meals and reduced tickets to Floyd Country Store events are not extended to your spouse/guest. We are happy to provide meals with the group for an additional fee. If you plan on coming with your spouse and/or a guest, please let us know

in advance so we can add them to our plans and we can work out everything in advance.

### **Directions to Floyd:**

Floyd is:

- 35 minutes from Blacksburg/Virginia Tech
- 45 minutes to Roanoke
- Less than 2 hours from Greensboro and Winston-Salem
- 2.5 hours from Charlotte
- About 4.5 hours to Northern Virginia

Directions to Floyd:

- From Interstate 81: Exit 114 and follow Route 8 (South) to Floyd (approximately 20 miles)
- From Interstate 77: Exit 14 and follow 221(North) to Floyd (approximately 30 miles)
- From Roanoke: Follow 221 (South) to Floyd (approximately 40 miles)
- From the Blue Ridge Parkway: The Blue Ridge Parkway follows the entire southern border of Floyd County so there are several access points to Floyd County. From the Tuggles Gap area, take Route 8 north to the Town of Floyd. From the Rocky Knob area, take scenic Black Ridge Road to 221.

### **How to prepare/What to bring:**

It is suggested to bring a small recording device to record some of the lessons, jams and stories so you can remember when you get home. If you play an instrument, bring that along too!

### **Can you tell us more about Floyd County, Virginia?**

Please visit [www.visitfloydva.com](http://www.visitfloydva.com) for best information. Here is a short description of our wonderful county of Floyd Virginia!

Running on Floyd time... Floyd is as much a state of mind as it is a destination.

Located atop the magnificent Blue Ridge Plateau in southwestern Virginia, Floyd is a haven of natural beauty renowned for our hospitality and for a vibrant culture of music, arts, local foods and wines, and outdoor recreation.

Floyd, Virginia is a key stop on [The Crooked Road, Virginia's heritage music trail](#) – with our famous Friday Night Jamboree at the Floyd Country Store and County Sales, home of the world's largest collection of traditional bluegrass and old-time music.

It is the richness and complexity of our culture that makes Floyd, Virginia such a desirable and superb visitor destination. So, bring your dancing shoes, appetite and desire to experience a diverse and true hometown community!

### **About the Floyd Country Store:**

#### **Friday Night Jamboree**

The Floyd Country Store is renowned as a place to experience authentic Appalachian music, and is home to a group of musicians, flatfoot dancers, and cloggers who are carrying on the

tradition of their families who'd pass the time playing music and dancing together. Everywhere they could these folks would gather with their friends and families from their front porch to the neighbor's kitchen. In the 1980's Folks in Floyd took to coming out to the General Store and began the Friday Night Jamboree tradition that continues today.

#### **MEET THE TEACHERS:**

**Mac Traynham** is an accomplished fiddler and banjo player as well as a fine guitar player and singer. Influenced by well known and obscure musicians of the past, Mac has developed a hard-driving style of playing which keeps the rhythm going strongly and delights dancers! He teaches at numerous music camps and has won many ribbons from various Fiddler's Conventions.

**Jenny Traynham** plays clawhammer banjo with a strong sense of rhythm as well as solid old time back-up guitar. She and Mac have played tunes and sung old songs together for over 30 years. Jenny has also taught at music camps and she and Mac have performed for many concerts, benefits, and other community and church functions.

Mac and Jenny have been sharing a love for duet singing for over 30 years. When they discovered early country, old time duet and gospel recordings they immediately knew they wanted to the "sound: of this pure and heart driven singing. Using guitars, harmonica, banjo and fiddle to back themselves up, they have been playing and singing a repertoire of the old popular to obscure songs. They've performed across the United States and have taught duet singing at a number of music camps. They love to share their knowledge and experience with others with the hope that more people will experience the joy of this music.



The Traynhams will provide in-depth instruction in a comfortable, relaxed environment. Students will have access to a large collection of old time music on CD's and cassettes which the Traynhams have collected and drawn inspiration from.