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EVENT DATE: Friday, February 17 through
Sunday, February 19th

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FLURRY WINTER ROOTS FESTIVAL OF TRADITIONAL MUSIC AND DANCE



The Flurry “Winter Roots” Festival will be held **February 17-19, 2023**. This winter's Flurry will take place entirely within the Hilton and City Center complex and will offer over 100 sessions of live music and dance for all. Featuring contra dancing continuously throughout the weekend and a full schedule of swing and blues dance on Sunday, Winter Roots will include 18 different dance styles such as Irish, English country, waltz, balfolk, Czech, square dance, sean-nós/old style Irish, Métis and French Canadian, Zydeco, samba, Israeli, and Scottish country dancing, along with concerts, workshops, and plenty of opportunities to jam with other musicians. Sessions range from beginner through experienced levels, and there will be lots of opportunities to “learn-how” in a fun and friendly environment.

Swing dance programming will take place Saturday night and all day Sunday, and Winter Roots will not include sessions specifically focused on family or children’s programming.



The Covid policy for Winter Roots is that attendees must document vaccination with an initial dose/series, plus one booster if first vaccinated in 2021, and must document a negative rapid test on the day of entry. Masking is optional but encouraged. Masks will be provided, and some dances will have a mask-required line/section. The full policy with additional details is available at <https://www.flurryfestival.org/winter-covid-policy/>.

Dances are informal, participatory, and appropriate for singles and couples -- you never need to attend with a partner for partner dances, and you will change partners between dances in many of the sessions. Dress is casual and comfortable, with soft-soled shoes preferred. Whether you're a seasoned dancer or musician, love to experience new types of dance, learn new musical tricks, or just enjoy listening to fantastic tunes among friends, there's something for everyone to enjoy at Winter Roots!

Adult prices range from \$38-\$145, and discounted advance tickets are available online until Feb. 12. Volunteers are needed and free admission is provided for those who work 6 hours during the weekend. More information about ticket sales, the schedule of sessions, performers, and volunteer opportunities can be found at www.flurryfestival.org.