San Francisco Special Contra Dances

The Avant Gardeners (Laura Light [VA], George Paul [VA], Jim Oakden)



Friday June 28th

Caller: Seth Tepfer (GA)

Avant Gardeners tunes are eclectic, original and rootsy – American hybrid variety. Their range of performing styles from traditional swing, Celtic and old time and their facile improvisation on fiddle, piano, accordion, guitar, mandolin, and percussion have given this group their reputation as one of the premier contra dance bands in the country.

http://theavantgardeners.com/

They will be back here Saturday September 21st

The Syncopaths (Ryan McKasson [WA], Ashley Broder, Jeff Spero, Christa Burch [last 3 from So Cal])



Saturday July 6th

Caller: Gaye Fifer [Pittsburgh]

Syncopaths bring a fresh, contemporary spin to music and songs rooted in the Scottish, Irish, and American folk traditions. Evolving beyond their contra dance origins, they are creating a "chamber folk" sound characterized by the compelling, rhythmic interplay of fiddle and mandolin, rich vocals, and unexpected colors and rhythms from the piano and bodhran.

http://www.syncopaths.com/

8-11PM. Free lesson 7:30

