

Edith Fowke will be teaching a course on Canadian Folk Music at the University of Caligary this summer. The course is part of the Kodaly summer programme - information available from Lois Choksy, Department of Music at the U of C.

A New Journal:

The Sonneck Society and the University of Illinois Press have issued a call for papers for the journal American Music. This new quarterly is designed to meet the long-felt need for a single publication that examines all aspects of American music and music in America: genres and forms; geographical and historical patterns; composers, performers, and audiences; sacred and secular traditions; cultural, social, and ethnic diversity; the impact and role of the media; the reflection of social, political, and economic issues; problems of research, analysis, and anchiving; education; criticism and aesthetics; and much more.

American Music will maintain a true open forum for all scholars, without prejudice for or against any particular field of American music. The main criterion will be Americanness; beyond that, excellence.

It is intended that the journal's broad approach and accessible style will interest academic and informed lay audiences alike; musicologists, folklorists, historians, anthropologists, critics, collectors, librarians, teachers, students of popular culture, American studies scholars, and many others.

A New Arts Study Grant from Alberta Culture

Alberta Culture has just announced a series of 1982 Arts Study Grants. Information about these is a bit scarce right now, but application forms can be obtained by writing: Alberta Culture, Arts Study Grants, 10004 104 Ave, Edmonton T5J 0K5. They ask for your phone number on the request for application forms. Deadline for applications for Music, Dance and Drama grants is Aug 1. More information will be passed on when it is available.

TV Series on Irish Music

Mick Maloney tells us that he is involved with a TV series entitled The Green Fields of America. This is a detailed look at Irish music in America, and promises to be a real winner. Gossip has it that the CBC has purchased this PBS production. Keep an eye open for it.

International Council for Traditional Music Conference - New York City

The International Folk Music Council's 27th Conference will be held in New York City, August 6-16, 1983. Deadline for submission of papers, round-table discussions etc is Sept 1, 1982. Contact: Adelaida Reyes Schramm, Dept of Music, Jersey State College, Jersey City, NJ 07305.

Two Small Alberta Festivals:

North Country Fair was held in Joussard, Alberta in mid-June. The beautiful setting is near Lesser Slave Lake and the fair was "a unique solstice celebration". Ferron and Tom See performed with others. It was organized by the Lesser Slave Lake North Country Community Association.

Sylvan Lake is also running a folk-type festival. This long-established craft fair, near Red Deer Alberta, encorporated music last year with Paul Hann and Brandywine, and plans are to continue. It will take place on the 24th of July weekend. (Item submitted by David Spalding).

Revised Aid to Artists Materials

The Canada Council has recently revised its "Aid to Artists" information package. The new booklet contains information about eligibility, types of grants available, deadlines etc. Contact: Robert M. Kennedy, Head: Arts Awards Service, the Canada Council, PO Box 1047, Ottawa, Ont. K1P 5V8.

Canadian Conference of the Arts

Assorted information about the "state of the art" in Canadian culture is presented in the most recent Bulletin of the CCA, including a history of the Canada Coucil and addresses of where to obtain various recent political documents (e.g. Applebaun-Herbert submission summaries). Write: 141 Laurier Ave West, Suite 707, Ottawa KIP 5J3.

Mariposa Summer Festival

June 24-26 at Harbour Front, Toronto. Featuring Canadian performers and music, this re-emergence of Mariposa should prove a most interesting festival. There are more details in the festival section of this issue.

Festival of Friends

Hamilton's Festival of Friends will be held in Gage Park August 6,7 and 8. Entrance is free, and many entertainers will be presenting concerts and workshops. Further information: 21 Augusta St. Hamilton, Ont. L8N 1P6.

Lethbridge Folk Festival

July 1 at Fort Whoop-Up. Can't go wrong with a location like that! Lots of fine performers will be on hand to celebrate Canada Day in song.

Calgary Folk Festival

July 2-3 on Prince's Island. Tom Paxton and Ryan's Fancy head a list of many performers getting together for the rainy season in Calgary. Lots of workshops and good fun.

Winnipeg Folk Festival

Birds Hill Provincial Park July 9-11. In excess of 100 acts - usually the largest festival in North America.

Edmonton Folk Festival

August 6-8 at Gallagher Park. Lots of acts, a food fare and kids area all are part of the festival this year.

Owen Sound Summer Folk Festival

August 13-15 Kelso Beach Park. All kinds of interesting acts and a lovely setting make this one of the finest festivals available.

Mariposa in the Woods

Woodland Trails Conference Centre, Aurora Ont. A week of classes, extended workshops and great fun with folk music forms as the focus. Guitar, banjo, dulcimer, fiddle, concertina, pennywhistle, songwriting, song styles, instrument-building, step-dancing and country dance all will be included. Information: 525 Adelaide St East, Toronto, Ontario M5A 3W4.