CDSS Web Chat #2: Creating a Thriving Open Band

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**Web Chat Format**

8:30 pm EDT  Introduction: Katy German and Linda Henry
8:35 pm  Web Chat Guests:
  Carol Ormand from Madison, WI
  Bob Kirkman from Atlanta, GA
  Mike Reddig leads open band in Flagstaff, AZ
  Linda Henry from Amherst, MA
9:00 pm  Q & A with responses from all guests
9:25 pm  Wrap-up: Linda
9:30 pm  End of web chat
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First Guest:

Carol Ormand, Madison Open Band (affectionately known as the MOB)

Plays for the Tuesday night dance in Madison

Contact info: http://sprott.physics.wisc.edu/dances.htm
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Second Guest:
Bob Kirkman, Atlanta Open Band

An independent entity that plays for dances organized by the Atlanta group, Chattahoochee Contra Dancers

Contact info: bob.kirkman@att.net
Third Guest:

Mike Reddig, Just Desserts

Plays for the 1st Saturday dances in Flagstaff AZ and sometimes for the Cottonwood 3rd Saturday dance - A "permanent jam session" under the Flagstaff Friends of Traditional Music group

Contact info: http://ffotm.org/contra-dances/
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Fourth Guest:

Linda Henry, Fiddlers Green Open Band

Plays for the 4th Saturday Fiddlers Green Contra Dances in Amherst, MA

Contact info: https://fiddlersgreencontra.org/sit-in-musicians/
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Q & A - How to Send a Question

To open chat box, click “Chat” in the meeting controls at the bottom of your screen. Type in your name and brief question.

We will have about 20 minutes for our guests to answer questions. If you have a question that wasn’t answered, jot it down and send it to us in the post web chat survey.
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Organizer resources available through CDSS:

• Organizers Resource Portal
• Quarterly Shop Talk e-blasts
• Quarterly e-blast for CDSS Affiliates
• Community Outreach Grants (next deadline Oct 1st)
• CDSS News articles
• Web Chat Series
• New idea! Open band resource on CDSS website
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Wrap Up

• **Survey**: Please reply to the survey you’ll receive tomorrow. We’re very interested in your valuable feedback about this web chat, the open band resource idea, and any remaining questions you have.

• **Recording**: We’ll also send you a link to the web chat recording that will be posted on the CDSS website. Feel free to share with others.

• **Next Web Chat**: Increasing Youth Involvement - Mid-January (TBA)

• **Keep in Touch**: Send questions and comments to Linda at linda@cdss.org