

You are invited to a concert and party celebrating
Baba Marta with
Slaveya

&

Lyuti Chushki

Saturday, March 13, 2010

8:00 – 11:30 pm

Glen Echo Town Hall

6106 Harvard Ave., Glen Echo, MD



\$5 donation requested

Chase away the last of winter and celebrate Baba Marta! Bring your friends, family and dancing shoes; finger food or a beverage is welcome!

People of the Balkans celebrate a centuries-old tradition in early March on the day of Baba Marta (Grandma March), a cranky old lady of whom it is said that the sun only comes out when she smiles. Many tales of Baba Marta are in Balkan folklore, and there is a tradition of giving your friends matenitsas - amulets of red-and-white interwoven strings to bring them health and happiness during the year and as a reminder that spring is near.



Slaveya Slaveya is a woman's vocal ensemble that performs unaccompanied songs in the Slavic heritage of Bulgaria, Macedonia, Bosnia, Croatia, Serbia, Russia and Ukraine is traditionally performed by women, and includes songs of home and village – lullabies, laments, historical tales, and field songs. They've released a CD, "On the Village Square: Songs from the Balkans and Beyond." Members are Theadocia Austen, Karen Chittenden, Agnieszka Christian, Helen Fedor, Jenny Grant, Andrea Loewenwarter, Anne Harrison, Miriam Rollin, Tzvety Weiner, Mary Farrah and Betsy Platt.

Lyuti Chushki means "hot peppers" in Bulgarian. This group has been performing their spicy tunes for more than 10 years. The band features Valeri Georgiev - kaval, Bruce Sagan - gudulka , Varol Saatcioglu - gaida, Tzvety Dosseva Weiner – vocals, Len Newman – tambura and Larry Weiner - tupan (large drum) serving as accompaniment. This is music for celebration!

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