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Michael Bridge is a 21st-century musical maverick, toppling popular expectations of what it is to be a professional accordionist. He's a virtuoso performer, a superstar on both acoustic accordion and its 21st-century cousin, the digital accordion. He's won a slew of competitions in Canada and abroad and offers lectures and masterclasses around the world. He embraces a musical esthetic that is alternatively irreverent, deadly serious, meticulously prepared and completely in-the-moment. He's at home with jazz, folk and classical music. He's premiered 53 new works. If pushed, he'll say he likes Baroque music best because of its unforgiving demand for clarity of intent and execution.

He began playing when he was 5 and growing up in Calgary. His mom bought an accordion at a garage sale for \$5. A family friend started teaching him to play by ear. Formal lessons began at 7. He spent weekends at prairie accordion competitions, playing polkas and learning to dance. At 15 he attended the World Accordion Championship as a spectator. For the first time he heard classical accordion and fell in love with it. He started all over again, mastering a completely different kind of accordion and a whole new technique. He was soon offering a hundred community concerts a year. As a soloist with orchestra or string quartet, with his two ensembles, he continues that pace, playing in concert halls all over the world. He's also a serious academic and just became a Rebanks Fellow at the Glenn Gould School and a Doctor of Musical Arts from the University of Toronto.

Bridge (along with his clarinet partner Kornel Wolak) performs on a digital accordion - essentially a computer housed in a conventional accordion case. This extraordinary piece of technological wizardry imitates the sound of just about any instrument you can imagine. He can single-handedly shake the rafters with a convincing *1812 Overture*, canons and bells included. Bridge & Wolak concerts capture the energy and panache of stadium rock with the discipline and finesse of chamber music. Think Bach on steroids.

He's also mastered the more familiar acoustic accordion, a soulful, highly expressive instrument, essential to the music of Toronto-based Ladom Ensemble. Along with cello, piano and percussion, the Ladom quartet creates a sophisticated blend of everything from traditional Persian melodies, to Bach and Piazzolla, to Radiohead.

Bridge also gives back through an on-line Music Mentorship Program. After performing hundreds of concerts in schools - usually in the less-than-ideal setting of a packed gymnasium with a tight time limit - Bridge and Wolak determined to build more meaningful relationships with musically inclined teens. With help from composers, tech people

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and producers, they introduce emerging artists to the wide world of professional music. When he's not being a musical renaissance man, you'll find Bridge salsa dancing, cooking vegan dishes and talking to smart people. He loves to travel and he's trying to live a more minimal life - abandoning anything that isn't essential to his life and work.

But what really matters for Michael Bridge is making your world more bearable, beautiful and human – even if only for the length of a concert.

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December Holíday Event Summary





By Ken Schwartz

'Twas the fortnight before Christmas, so you know what that means – SFAC's traditional Holiday Party! Those who attended, via ZOOM, were treated to a wonderful selection of holiday songs, singing, and a few historical vignettes. Our talented performers, all members of the club, were in-

troduced by our terrific emcee, Rosemary Busher.

Lorna Anderson, in her holiday finest, opened the musical segment from her home in North Carolina. Born in California, she still has fond memories of her California roots. Lorna opened with a bouncy *Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer*, accompanied with her cheery singing. Next, she performed her always-terrific rendition of *Sleigh Ride* (Leroy Anderson). As an encore, Lorna performed *March of the Toys*. It's always such a joy to have you performing for us, Lorna, so many thanks!





Next, **Lou LeBrun**, also in her holiday finest, entertained us with her always fun solos. Lou performed *I Saw Mommy Kissing Santa Claus*, made famous by numerous groups and singers. Lou's version was right up there, complete with her singing. Hysterical, it was a gem! One could tell that Lou really enjoyed playing (and singing) this song. Next, Lou performed her new version of *Begin the Beguine* (Cole Porter) and a lively version of *Winter Wonderland* (Felix Bernard). Well, done, Lou, thanks for making our holiday event so special!

Mr. Lou Jacklich performed his magnificent rendition of the fa-

mous *On the Trail*, from Ferde Grofé's *Grand Canyon Suite*. He's so skillful performing this American classic - we could envision the donkeys wending their way down the canyon trail accompanied by the wranglers' harmonicas. This was followed by his riveting arrangement of *Hungarian Rhapsody #2* (Franz Lizst). This was Mr. Jacklich's first performance of this classic piece before our Club. He's been working on it for over a year; we're incredibly fortunate he chose today to premier it! Next was his own magnificent arrangement of *Malagueña* (Lecuona), which featured his signature triple bellows shake, lasting a full 30 seconds. Incredible! Mr. Jacklich's finales were jazzy versions of *Fly Me to the Moon* and *How High the Moon*. Thank you for an incredible performance, Mr. Jacklich, you are always an inspiration!



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December Holiday Event Summary

Completing the holiday cheer, **Mike Zampiceni** displayed his always-terrific virtuoso playing and equally great singing of a non-stop string of great holiday songs. He started with a frenetic *We Need a Little Christmas* (made famous by Johnny Mathis), and then played *Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas, Jingle Bells*, a jazzed-up *Greensleeves, O Come All Ye Faithful* (requested by Rosemary Busher), a jazzy *Jingle Bell Rock*, Lawrence Welk's *Bubbles in the Wine, Silver Bells*, and *Sleigh Ride* (Leroy Anderson). Not your usual trot, Mike's

jazzed-up version featured galloping horses at breakneck pace through the winter snow. Pamela Tom suggested they were on steroids! Next was *Winter Wonderland* (with Mike's terrific jazz chords), *Let It Snow, Silent Night, My Favorite Things* (from <u>The Sound of Music</u>), *Rudolph The Red-Nosed Reindeer, Santa Claus is Coming to Town*, and finally, of course, *White Christmas*, including Mike's modern take on the lyrics in the final stanza:

"I'm dreaming of a white Christmas **With every email that I send** May your days be merry and bright And may all your Christmases be white."

Finally, a surprise! Mike's father, **Joseph Zampiceni**, owned a publishing company (nb: Zampiceni Publishing) and wrote a number of songs, one of which, *Chewing the Rag*, was performed by Lou LeBrun in November, to much enjoyment! His father also wrote one Christmas song, for children, entitled *Christmas is Here Once Again* (copyright 1956). It was already perfect, and even more so coming from Mike, who also sang the clever lyrics. I can attest - we adults also loved it! Mike rounded out the afternoon with his vocal rendition of *We Wish You a Merry Christmas*.

Mike's terrific playing and vocals have become Club holiday favorites; today was no exception and was perfect to round out our musical year. Many thanks for your terrific performance, Mike, it was perfect!

With Best Wishes for the New Year!

PS: Our Club's Wish List for the New Year — there will be great opportunities in 2022 for you to assist us and volunteer to write an event summary. Try it; you'll like it!





It is with sadness that we say goodbye to a long time member of the San Francisco Accordion Club. Ron Harris passed away on December 12, 2021 at the age of 85. Born in 1936, Ron grew up in Daly City and attended Jefferson High School, distinguishing himself in track & field. Ron then went on to attend Stanford University.

Ron always had a love for the accordion, which began at the age of 4½. Ron hauled his accordion on the city bus from Daly City to take lessons in the Haight-Ashbury district of San Francisco from such notable teachers as Armand Oliveras, Joe Lazzarin and Angelo Cagnazzo. In Cagnazzo's studio, Ron met and would hear future accordion legend Dick Contino practicing upstairs. When Ron was 13, he performed on Horace Heidt's

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radio and TV talent show, and in high school he played accordion

in the Jefferson High School Dance Band.

Ron generously shared his talent, frequently performing for meetings of our club. Ron, at one time, was a member of the AbsolutAccord accordion ensemble directed by Richard Yaus and was a devoted member of the San Francisco Accordion Chamber Ensemble (ACE), directed by Joseph Smiell, Sr. and Joseph Smiell, Jr.

Ron's good nature and musical talent will be greatly missed. We extend our deepest sympathy to Ron's family.

Thanks to Randy Hicks for preparing this remembrance of Ron for our newsletter.



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A Message from the SFAC President

By Ken Schwartz

FIRST ROW: Ray Rosa, SECOND ROW, lef to right: Bob Scheidt, Bob Crowley, Ron

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Happy New Year, everyone! We hope you had an enjoyable and restful holiday season!

The Club is looking forward to an exciting 2022 with musical events featuring our own talented members, guest artists and students. Perhaps even a renewed gettogether In-the-Park. Of course, the looming question remains - when will we be able to meet in person? We remain optimistic, but as they say, "Stay Tuned"! In the meantime, we look forward to planning for this year, whatever may come our way. Please send your comments in general and, in particular, feel free to provide suggestions on performers you'd like to recommend for future events. Email us at info@sfaccordionclub.com

As always, many thanks!

Accordions for Rent

Do you know someone interested in renting an accordion? The SFAC has instruments available for members to rent. See our June 2020 newsletter for descriptions and rental terms.

Remembering David "Dave" Chelini

by Ken Schwartz (with Lorna Anderson and David Lang)



It is with heavy heart that we convey the sad news that Dave Chelini and members of his family, 2 adult daughters and a nephew, passed away on December 4th when his small, single-engine plane crashed in heavy fog minutes after takeoff from a small airport in central California.

Dave was a well-known professional accordionist based in Sacramento, who played music professionally for more than 35 years, including in a combo which he established. As a young student he studied music under Frank Impinna of the *Frank & Dolores Music Studio* in Carmichael, CA and later with Joe Neronde, of the *Neronde Music School* in Sacramento. One of his fellow accordion classmates at the Neronde School was the SFAC's own Lorna Anderson.

Aside from performing professionally, Dave taught accordion for many years in Sacramento, initially teaching at *Kline Music* in Sacramento in 1966, and later in his home. After a long hiatus, Dave returned to the store, and continued teaching the newest generation of accordion students until his recent retirement. Several his students performed at the Cotati Accordion Festival over the years, many of whom were honored,

sometimes including first place recognition.

Dave was a long-time member of the SFAC. He and several of his students wowed us with their performances in February, 2016 (SFAC March, 2016 Newsletter), which featured 3 of his students at the time, 2 of whom recently performed for our club in November, 2021: Nicholas Plasichuk and Joe Matella, Jr. Dave recently played at the memorial service for Val Floren Brewer. David's long-time friend, David Lang, wrote this remembrance:

"Dave Chelini was a meticulous person, especially in his flying. He was a member of the Golden State Accordion Club and the North California Accordion Society for about three years. He played at Cotati, for the holidays at the California State Capitol in Sacramento, CA and played for the CA State Railroad Museum in Sacramento. He probably was a Flo-tone with the Neronde Accordion Studio. He was



so accomplished, and would have been selected for his talent on the accordion. The Flo-Tones were a group of five or six accordionists who performed locally in Sacramento in the 50's to entertain and also to promote the *Neronde Accordion Studio*. Dave was also a great contributor to keeping the accordion alive and well in the Sacramento area, as well as to the scholarship program at the Cotati festival, where Dave's students won first place more than once. Dave was an FAA licensed A & P mechanic and did the work on his airplanes and cars. Other than his family, Dave loved his music, flying and cars and was meticulous in whatever he did. He will be missed for sure."

Our thoughts are with the Chelini family in this time of tragic loss.



Dés a Wrap!

Rosemary Busher

Time now for the annual recap of the past year's news and noted performances. It seems to arrive abruptly every year and this time is no exception. Strolling down memory lane for the SF Accordion Club in 2021, here we go! In January we welcomed **Creosote**, with **Jamie Maschler and Gabe Hall-Rodrigues** from Seattle. Their *forró* music is always a treat. In February we were delighted by solo performances by many of our esteemed club members. In March we were wowed by **Dan and Kim Christian**, whose musical timing is impeccable, as displayed in their masterful duets. In April, we were treated to more solo member performances, making the

best of the situation while not being able to play together in person. The May meeting was a spirited event, featuring the amazing **Alex Meixner**, an entertainer through and through who plays with high energy and a winning demeanor. He played several accordions from his collection as well as the trumpet. While closing some doors, the pandemic opened others, allowing Alex to sit in virtually. Imagine what fun Alex appearing with his whole group would be! In June

we highlighted two young players to be excited about, **Annabelle** and **Kavid**. Our July performer was **Joe Natoli**, hailing from Northeast Ohio, a serious and solid musician. This was Joe's first time on our stage.

Moving on to August, the club revived a tradition from the past, by hosting a picnic in the park. It was preceded by much hand-wringing and teeth-gnashing due to pandemic worries (we nearly canceled!), but it sure was good to see the better-than-expected turn out and finally gather in person again. It was worth it! The **Cotati Accordion Festival** (CAF) returned in September, supplanting the usual SFAC program that month. It was an extravaganza

made all the more special with so many itching to get back to live music. Having erected the SFAC canopy, we hung our sign proudly and put out display boxes of sheet music and other tchotchkes up for sale. Mostly **Robert, Elaine, and Rosemary** took care of business, answering inquiries from Cotati revelers and promoting the Club. SFAC's very own distinguished accordionist **Lou Jacklich** played soulful music for appreciative folks who walked by, lots of smiles. It was fun to see friends at La Plaza Park and enjoy the music together. For our October meeting we went full Oktoberfest, inviting the **The German Village Trio (Ron Borelli and colleagues)** for our first "hybrid meeting" – live-streamed with a small in-

person presence - and it was as fun as could be! Oompah music is so darned festive (the Trio included a tuba!), even as we dealt with some technical glitches.

We learned a few tweaks for the next hybrid meeting, whenever that might be.

At the November meeting, the spotlight was on several teens who had played on the Cotati main stage. We were thrilled to showcase young talent and are hungry for more! We will know them a bit better when they appear again on the "future stars stage" at Cotati next year. Never before has it been more important for the

club to be expanding the musical community and see first hand their musical progress. Wrapping it up with a big bow on top, our December holiday bash accented – of course! - Christmas tunes, starring **Mike Zampiceni and Lou Jacklich**, with Lorna Anderson and Lou LeBrun adding to our season's cheer!

During the past twelve months we have had to issue sad farewells to far too many. We lost **Dominic Granelli, Gwynn** Lister, Tony Mazzara, Gus Greyhosky, Norma Zonay-Parsons, Robert "Bob" Smith, Val Floren Brewer, Ron Harris, and Dave Chelini. None of us escape the sobering passage of time – which reminds us to live mindfully each day, appreciating and loving each other and keeping the music going!

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Ushering in 2022, we are looking ahead and interested in some information from **you**, our dear Club members. Step right up and tell us which featured performer you would just love to see in this new year. Featured performers are both near and far, but ZOOM has opened opportunities that would have otherwise been impossible. Input from you on which performers to invite will help us plan the schedule. We can't promise the availability of particular accordionists, but we would love to know who you'd really like to hear. Please send email to <u>info@sfaccordionclub.com</u> with your suggestions.





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Your club has scholarship funds available to support accordion students studying with teachers who are SFAC members in good standing. Preference is given to students who demonstrate dedication to pursuing the study of the accordion. Contact **Mike Zampiceni** for a scholarship application.

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When we learned that the SFAC's good friend **Steve Albini**, accordion virtuoso extraordinaire, would be playing out at San Rafael Joe's restaurant the night be-



fore Christmas Eve, it was a nobrainer - Casey and Colette, and Robert and Elaine braved the weather and potential traffic and made their way to Marin County. Steve played (surprise surprise!) **Christmas music**. Lots of it. *Pretty, pretty jazzy*, a nice vibe for some fa-

miliar sounds. Steve is always an intense player, but that night at Joe's he was intense-radiant, chock full of Christmas joy. Merry Christmas, indeed!



Friends of SFAC— Accordion Groups/Clubs

Many clubs are on hiatus or meeting virtually (online) only. Check each club's website and/or club contacts for meeting schedules

<u>Accordion Club of the Redwoods</u>¹ (Santa Rosa) Meetings 3rd Wednesdays—Cibo Rustico Pizzeria (707) 318-0474, <u>dcdacapo@gmail.com</u>

Accordion Lovers Society International (ALSI)³ 2nd Sundays—Mt. Miguel Covenant Village Spring Valley, CA gkohl5890@gmail.com (619) 427-4344

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Online 4th Sundays ³ - Meetings 3rd Tuesdays ¹ Victorio's Ristorante, North Hollywood, CA <u>dnorferi@aol.com</u>or "Accordionaires" on Facebook

Northern California Accordion Society (NCAS)¹

2nd Saturdays—Roseville, CA Lutheran Church of the Resurrection cvalashan@aol.com (610) 209-4496

San Antonio Accordion Society²

2nd Tuesdays online - Meetings on last Tuesdays Chester's Hamburgers, San Antonio, TX LauraJNiland@outlook.com

Silicon Valley Accordion Society (SVAS)²

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In person meeting only

² mixed: in-person and Zoom meeting

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2022 ACCORDION HAPPENINGS

LIVE IN-PERSON & ONLINE/VIR TUAL EVENTS

Houston Accordion Orchestra Concert w/Stas Venglevski Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, Houston, Texas January 15 — Live & Video Streaming Contact: meghada33@gmail.com

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International Digital Electronic Accordion Society January 21-30 www.gr8ideas.org

Accordion Blend Concert: Stas Venglevski, Derek Bromme, & Brett Jones Live/video streaming at A World of Accordion Museum, Superior, WI January 23 worldofaccordions.app.neoncrm.com/eventReg.jsp?event=3& Details: info@worldofaccordions.org

<u>Kokkola</u> Winter Accordion Festival February 12-20 Kokkola, Finland <u>festivals.fi/en/festivals/kokkola-winter-accordion-festival/</u>

ATG Professional Development Workshops February 13 AND March 27 ATG.AccordionistsTeachersGuild@gmail.com

National Accordion Association Convention March 16-19 Richardson, TX www.accordions.com/naa/

A World of Accordions Museum World Accordion Day, Willard Palmer Festival and Polka Service May 6-8 — Superior, Wisconsin—Live & Video Stream (join list) worldofaccordions.app.neoncrm.com/np/clients/ worldofaccordions/survey.jsp?surveyId=1&

Leavenworth International Accordion Celebration June 16-19— Leavenworth, Washington www.accordioncelebration.org

AAA Festival July 13-17— Conshohocken, Pennsylvania www.ameraccord.com

ATG 80th Anniversary Festival July 20-24 Chicago (Lisle), IL <u>www.atgaccordions.com</u>

AAA Accordion Master Class (aka the Seminars) July 29 - 31 Too Much Information, So Little Time But We Do It Anyway New York, NY Contact: <u>Accordionbill@gmail.com</u>

Cotati Accordion Student Stage Scholarship Fundraiser August 19 Cotati, CA Contact: <u>cotatiaccordionstudent-</u> <u>stage@yahoo.com</u>

Cotati Accordion Festival August 20-21 Cotati, CA <u>www.cotatifest.com</u>

Oregon Alpenfest September 29-October 2 — Joseph, Oregon www.oregonalpenfest.com

Drop Your Shoulders and Breathe!

Michael Bridge

Playing the accordion is a very physical activity, and it is all too easy to develop habits which misuse the body. Tension and imbalances can cause pain and injuries—including in the back, neck, shoulder(s), and forearm(s). Actively pursuing good usage of the body is essential for long-term accordionists. A lot of steps can be taken to play with good posture, and with an economy of energy.

Firstly, here are a few general reminders:

- The accordion's weight should be completely on your legs; the straps are only for balance. Sit tall, at the front of a hard and flat chair, where your thighs can be parallel to the floor.
- Avoid lifting the shoulders to hold the accordion tightly to your body; this creates neck tension. Instead, experiment with any/all of the following:
 - ◊ Use a back-strap.
 - ♦ Tighten the shoulder straps.
 - Simply accept having a little distance between you and your accordion—it can be ok to have space between your chest and your instrument if it's properly balanced on your legs.
- Allow natural movement of the body and right arm; if you maintain one static, "forced" hand/elbow position, that can cause tension.
- Remember to BREATHE while playing. Think about dropping the shoulders with each exhalation, this releases tension throughout the body.

Secondly, here are some more in-depth suggestions:

- Cellists hold and move their cello primarily with their legs and chest, so that their arms are free to play. It should be the same on accordion. Our legs and chest should control the accordion's position (not the arms, and not the shoulders). Sometimes, you can use your legs to rebalance your accordion (by lifting either heel). See if you can control its balance with your legs, so that you can move *around* it with your upper body.
- Develop a slow warm-up routine, and remember to stretch your back, shoulders, neck, and arms when you are finished practicing.
- Avoid leaning to the right to counterweight your expansion of the bellows. Instead, I highly recommend reading Claudio Jacomucci's book, Mastering Accordion Technique, for an in-depth lesson (with drawings) on how to use rotation of the thorax and expansion of the left leg to move the bellows smoothly without causing tension. It is available here: www.claudiojacomucci.com/cdsbooksstraps.html

Playing without tension requires developing your "panoramic awareness" to stay conscious of what you do at all times. Imagine observing yourself from the outside. Most of all, avoid practicing in a way that switches off the brain. When you notice yourself going on "auto-pilot", take a short break, drink some water, stretch, and come back to your practice with a calm, clear intention.

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Stas Venglevski, bayan virtuoso, teams up with Derek Bromme (tuba) and Brett Jones (percussion) to present a live concert at A World of Accordions Museum.

The concert will be live streamed. Pre-register to receive the link for video streaming. Proceeds from the event support the Museum's building maintenance fund.

Registration: worldofaccordions.app.neoncrm.com/ eventReg.jsp?event=3&

Contact: info@worldofaccordions.org

Stas will also have a concert at Thorpe Langley Auditorium at University of Wisconsin, Superior on January 25, 7:30 P.M.

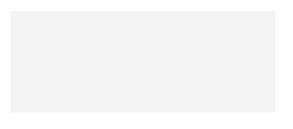


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SFAC Sunday Meeting

ACCORDIONS LIVE! [VIA ZOOM] MICHAEL BRIDGE

ACOUSTIC & DIGITAL ACCORDION ARTIST

Sunday, January 16

Join us for fun and great music! Sunday, January 16 at 2:00 pm Check email for **ZOOM** link

See newsletter email for details, or contact info@sfaccordionclub.com

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When the SFAC's Steve Marshall visited his family on the East Coast for the holidays, he was pleasantly surprised they did not present him with the traditional "Ugly Christmas Sweater" but rather something way more Steve-specific!