

Proclamation



Bonnie Phipps

Whereas:

Bonnie Phipps has been performing and recording both solo and with various bands for over four decades, using the autoharp as a solo instrument as well as an accompaniment to her singing, And;

Whereas:

She has won the International Autoharp Championship and the Mountain Laurel Autoharp Championship, And;

Whereas:

She has written two popular books with CDs for the autoharp published by Alfred Publishing: *Beginning Autoharp Instruction Book* and *Singing with Young Children*, And;

Whereas:

She has performed and taught at most of the major autoharp festivals across the country, including the Mountain Laurel Autoharp Gathering, the Philadelphia Folk Festival, and the Sore Fingers Festival in England, And;

Whereas:

She has recorded three CDs for grownups: *Anything Goes*, *Colorado Folk Ensemble*, and *Autoharpin'*, and three for children: *Dinosaur Choir*, *Monsters' Holiday*, and *I Wub You*, And;

Whereas:

She has been able to capture the energy and magic of childhood, and more than any other contemporary musician/singer/songwriter, put the autoharp at center stage for all to enjoy, And;

Whereas:

She has met the criteria for induction into The Autoharp Hall of Fame with her significant, long-standing, positive impact on the autoharp community.

Therefore, let it be resolved that Bonnie Phipps be inducted with highest commendations as the 2015 Contemporary Member of The Autoharp Hall of Fame.

So it is proclaimed on this, the Twenty-Fifth Day of June in the year Two Thousand and Fifteen.