

OLD TIME BANJO RELATED RESOURCES

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This list is neither academic or all inclusive, but may help you on your banjo journey!

NEW CD's: **THE OLD TIME BANJO FESTIVAL** and **BANJO TALKIN'**

Selected List of Banjo Builders & History

<http://www.enochbanjos.com> - Banjo maker Kevin Enoch's website

<http://gourdbanjo.com> - Gourd banjo maker Bob Thornburg's website

<http://banjopete.com> - Gourd banjo maker Pete Ross' website. Includes some history

<http://wunderbanjo.com> - Banjo maker George Wunderluch's site, specializing in minstrel and civil war era replica banjos

<http://blackbanjo.com> - Launched at the Black Banjo Players' Gathering in 2005, this organization aims to promote and support African and African American banjo history and players.

Where to find banjos: (in addition to the sites above)

<http://www.elderly.com> - Elderly Instruments, Lansing, MI

<http://www.hmtrad.com> - House of Musical Traditions, Takoma Park, MD

<http://www.turtlehillbanjo.com> - Turtle Hill Banjos, Bryantown, MD

<http://www.deeringbanjos.com> - Deering Banjo Company, Spring Valley, CA

Music Camps and Weekend Workshops with Old Time Banjo Instruction

<http://www.augustaheritage.com> - Augusta Heritage Workshops, Elkins, WV

<http://www.swangathering.org> - Swannanoa Gathering, Asheville, NC

<http://www.flatpik.com> - Steve Kaufman's Acoustic Camp, Maryville, TN

<http://www.midwestbanjocamp.com> - Midwest Banjo Camp, Lansing, MI

AND many more-just google Banjo Camp!

Other resources:

Banjo Newsletter Magazine <http://www.banjonews.com>

<http://www.BanjoHangout.org> - Meet banjo players, read about tunes, tunings, songs, etc.

<http://www.oldtimebanjofestival.com> - Download liner notes and see pictures of artists from **THE OLD TIME BANJO FESTIVAL CD**

[www.http://homespuntapes.com](http://www.homespuntapes.com) - Homespun Tapes offers DVD and DC lessons by excellent instructors.

<http://www.mikeseeger.info> - Includes discography of Mike Seeger's banjo recordings.

A few of Cathy's favorite old time banjo recordings:

Merriweather Records

5 Strings Attached-Volumes 1and 2/Arnie Naiman & Chris Coole

<http://www.merriweather.ca>

Adam Hurt- "Insight"

<http://adamhurt.com>

Dan Gellert – “Waitin’ on the Break of Day”
<http://orphonon.utopiadesign.com>

On County Records <http://www.countysales.com>
Clawhammer Banjo, More Clawhammer Banjo and a great catalogue of others

On Rounder Records <http://rounder.com>
Bob Carlin-has several titles
Ola Belle Reed Albums
Bruce Molsky albums
And many more ...

On High Windy Audio
David Holt Album called "Reel and Rock"
<http://www.davidholt.com>

Pete Seeger has tons of releases of Smithsonian Folkways Recordings, many featuring banjo. The “**Goofing Off Suite**” is amazing. Smithsonian Folkways has many other great banjo and old time recordings: <http://www.folkways.si.edu>
Also on Folkways is Mike Seeger’s **SOUTHERN BANJO SOUNDS**, a MUST.
Pete also published a wonderful book that has been reprinted, "How to Play the Five String Banjo", available from Sing Out! 888-SING-OUT

A great source for all the above and more is:

Elderly Instruments 1100 N Washington Lansing, Michigan 48906
517-334-5839 www.elderly.com
They have or can order all CD's, tapes, etc. and also have a great selection of new & used instruments.

Banjo Haiku, Banjo Talkin’ and THE OLD TIME BANJO FESTIVAL by Cathy Fink & FRIENDS are available 1-800-669-3942 <http://www.cathymarcy.com>

Instructional Materials

Homespun Tapes offers great instructional stuff. They're on the WEB at <http://www.HomespunTapes.com> , phone # 1-800-33-TAPES

I recommend:

David Holt's videos on Repertoire & Technique
For beginners David Holt’s "Get Started on 5 String Banjo"
For Pete Seeger styles, Pete's got a video there, as does Mike Seeger.
And, for the Mt. Airy styles of Bob Carlin, he's got tapes too!

Also on Homespun Tapes: **Old Time Music Slow Jam** and with Cathy Fink (banjo), Marcy Marxer (guitar, mandolin), Bruce Molsky (fiddle), (Mark Schatz (bass). 13 great tunes played at tempo and half speed.

Old Time Music Party is similar, with slightly more difficult tunes.

SINGING WITH THE BANJO, DVD on Homespun Tapes, www.homespuntapes.com or www.cathymarcy.com