Peggy Carter Bio

Peggy Carter is a teacher and performer living in Houston Texas. She hails originally from Florida where she earned a degree in Music from Stetson University in DeLand, Florida. She taught public school music in Florida, North Carolina and Texas where she recently retired as Head Choral Director in Houston, Texas and from teaching Continuing Education at Houston Community College and Lone Star Community College.

Peggy is now teaching and performing music on the hammer dulcimer and Appalachian Mountain dulcimer across the USA and abroad. She has won both the Texas Hammer Dulcimer Championship and the Southern Regional Hammer Dulcimer Championship and several of her students participate in dulcimer competitions. Her student, Josh Messick, won the 2003 National Hammer Dulcimer championship at the age of 18, and Jacob Green won the 2009 Mt. Dulcimer championship at the age of 17. She also coached Craig Harrell who won the International Autoharp Championship.

Peggy, with Texas Bound, has performed at venues around Houston such as the Houston Rodeo, the Museum of Fine Arts, and for many schools, churches and community events including the Dickens-On-The-Strand Victorian Festival in Galveston . For eight years they provided live music for the Country Peddler Craft Shows in Texas and Louisiana.

Now, Peggy travels all across the US and abroad performing and teaching at festivals, workshops, churches and community events. She has authored instructional books for both kinds of dulcimers and has produced 4 CDs. She currently produces monthly video web-lessons.

Here is a partial list are of Peggy's performances:

She has performed abroad in Ireland, Germany, Austria and the Czech Republic. and she has done over 100 performances yearly at venues that include:

- The Ozark Folk Center in Mt. View, AR
- The Houston Rodeo
- Country Peddler Craft Circuit in Texas and Louisiana
- The Houston Summer Acoustic Music Festival (SAMFest)
- The Texas Folk Life Festival in San Antonio
- The Texas State Arts and Crafts Fair in Kerrville, TX

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- The Ranching Heritage Festivals in Kingsville, and Refugio, TX
- The Dickens-On-The-Strand Victorian Christmas festival in Galveston
- Shindig-On-The-Green in Asheville, NC
- The Missouri Valley Old Time Music Festival in Iowa
- Silver Dollar City in Branson, MO
- The Mission Beach Galleria in San Diego, CA
- The Bonner County Fair in Sandpoint, ID
- The Hill Country Acoustic Music Camp in Kerrville, TX.
- The Rialto Theater in Ft. Collins, CO
- The Tennessee Fall Homecoming in Knoxville, TN
- Carter Fold in Hiltons, VA

In 2009 & '10 Peggy has performed and or taught Mt. Dulcimer and Hammer Dulcimer at the following festivals, camps, weekend workshops and Special Events:

Mt. Dora Dulcimer and Autoharp Festival, Mt. Dora FL

Kentucky Winter Weekend, Bardstown, KY

Houston Winter Weekend, Houston, TX

Spring Fest @ Rebel State Historical Site, Marthaville, LA

Louisiana Fall Senior Event, Greensburg, LA

Fellowship Community Church, Norwalk, IA

Literacy Volunteers Gala, George Library, Richmond, TX

ODPC Dulcimer FunFest, Evart, MI

Heritage Dulcimer Camp, KC, MO

Winston Salem (North Carolina) Dulcimer Festival, Winston Salem NC

Gateway Dulcimer Festival, Belleville IL

Yellow Banks Dulcimer Festival in KY

Spring Fling, Portland OR

Bonner County Fair, Sandpoint, ID

Southern CA Dulcimer Heritage Festival, Dana Point, CA

Antique and Craft Show, Bellville, TX

Book Signing, Willow Creek Book Store

Dickens-On-The-Strand Victorian Festival, Galveston, TX

Museum Of Fine Arts Holiday Open House, Houston, TX

Winter Dulcimer Retreat in Madisonville TX

Bayou City Music Festival in Humble TX

Peggy has produced five CDs and numerous books and arrangements for hammer dulcimer, Mt. dulcimer and acoustic ensembles.

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