

## 2025 Grange Workshops and Schedule Leavenworth International Accordion Celebration

**FEATURING: Workshops, FREE accordion lessons, Group sessions, and more;**  
**Note: The Free Concerts (formerly held at the Grange), are now taking place at**  
**King Ludwig's Restaurant on Friday and Saturday from 12:30 – 3:30pm)**

### Grange - Thursday, June 26

1:30 – 3:00	Grange available for jamming or practicing	Grange/Upper
3:00-4:30pm	<b>Gazebo Ensemble Rehearsal with Jakob Bean - FREE</b> (Playing in a group; Rehearse Gazebo Ensemble music)	Grange/Upper

### Grange - Friday, June 27

9:00am	Grange opens	Grange
9:30-11:30	<b>Private Coaching:</b> with <b>John Giuliani, Hank Thunander;</b> all skill levels	Grange/Lower
12:00-1:00	<b>Private Coaching:</b> with <b>John Giuliani, Hank Thunander;</b> all skill levels	Grange/Lower
1:30-3:30pm	<b>FREE Accordion lessons</b> by The Northwest Accordion Society	Grange/Lower
3:30–5:00pm	<b>Available for Practicing</b>	Grange/Lower
10:00–11:30am	<b>Workshop</b> with <b>Mark Myking</b> Louisiana Comes to Leavenworth	Grange/Upper
12:30-1:30pm	<b>Workshop</b> with <b>Thomas Tilton</b> The Accordion's Humble Beginnings	Grange/Upper
2:00-3:00pm	<b>Workshop</b> with <b>Hank Thunander</b> The World Of Polkas	Grange/Upper
3:30 – 5:00	<b>Jam Session</b> for all accordionists; <b>Hosts: Rod Miller/Cooksie Kramer - FREE</b>	Grange/Upper
3:20-4:10pm	<b>FYI-Gazebo Ensemble</b> (perform at the Gazebo)	Gazebo

### Grange - Saturday, June 28

9:00am	Grange opens	Grange
9:30-11:30	<b>Private Coaching:</b> with <b>John Giuliani, Matt Tolentino;</b> all skill levels	Grange/Lower
12:00-1:00	<b>Private Coaching:</b> with <b>John Giuliani, Matt Tolentino;</b> all skill levels	Grange/Lower
1:30-3:30pm	<b>FREE Accordion lessons</b> by The Northwest Accordion Society	Grange/Lower
3:30–5:00pm	<b>Available for Practicing</b>	Grange/Lower
10:00–11:30am	<b>Circle Jam</b> for all accordionists; <b>Hosts: Bonnie Birch/Cooksie Kramer – FREE</b>	Grange/Upper
12:30-1:15pm	Frank Calapristi Accordion Parade (gather at Festhalle and parade down Front Street)	Festhalle
1:30-2:30pm	<b>Workshop</b> with <b>Ben Thomas</b> Tango Articulation and Phrasing on the Accordion	Grange/Upper
3:00-4:00pm	<b>Workshop</b> with <b>Matt Tolentino</b> The Accordion in Ragtime, Hot Jazz, and Early Swing	Grange/Upper
3:20-4:10pm	<b>FYI-Gazebo Ensemble</b> (perform at the Gazebo)	Gazebo
4:30-5:30pm	<b>Workshop</b> with <b>Matt Tolentino</b> The Accordion in Ragtime, Hot Jazz, and Early Swing	Grange/Upper

**Be sure to attend our FREE Sessions – all held in Grange upper level**

**Thurs 3:00 – 4:30pm Gazebo Ensemble Rehearsal with Jakob Bean – FREE**  
(Playing in a group; Rehearse Gazebo Ensemble music)

**Friday 3:30 – 5:00pm Jam Session for all accordionists; Hosts: Rod Miller, Cooksie Kramer – FREE**

**Saturday 10:00 – 11:30am Circle Jam Session for all accordionists;**  
**Hosts: Bonnie Birch, Cooksie Kramer– FREE**

#### **Thurs – Saturday Button Box Display: An Historical Collection**

An exhibit of diatonic instruments dating from inception through the present.  
On display in the Grange throughout the Accordion Celebration.

- From the private collection of Thomas Tilton of AlpenFolk.
- Sponsored by the Greater Leavenworth Museum.

**King Ludwig's Concert Summary:**

(this location replaces the concerts in the Grange)

**Friday, June 27 (Host: Mark Myking)**

12:30–1:00 Beverley Fess and Ron Griffin

1:00 – 1:30 Eileen and Rick Webber

1:30 – 2:00 Bonnie Birch

2:00 – 2:30

2:30 – 3:00 Steve Gordon

3:00 – 3:30 Terry Ranstad

**Saturday, June 28 (Host: Mark Myking)**

12:30–1:00

1:00 – 1:30 Jakob Bean

1:30 – 2:00 Key C Trio (Cathy, Colleen, Jeanie)

2:00 – 2:30 Rod Miller

2:30 – 3:00 Jim Lapsansky and Cathy Cowley

3:00 – 3:30 Mark Myking

**2025 LIAC Workshop Choices – (Workshops are \$15 if paid by June 9 or \$20 at Leavenworth)**

**#1 Louisiana Comes to Leavenworth (bring your accordion)**

**With Mark Myking**

**Fri 10:00-11:30am Grange/Upper**

**#2 Button Box – The Accordion's Humble Beginnings**

**With Thomas Tilton**

**Fri 12:30-1:30pm Grange/Upper**

**#3 The World Of Polkas**

**With Hank Thunander**

**Fri 2:00-3:00pm Grange/Upper**

**#4 Tango Articulation and Phrasing on the Accordion**

**With Ben Thomas**

**Sat 1:30-2:30pm Grange/Upper**

**#5 The Accordion in Ragtime, Hot Jazz, and Early Swing**

**with Matt Tolentino**

**Sat 3:00-4:00pm Grange/Upper**

**#6 The Accordion in Ragtime, Hot Jazz, and Early Swing**

**with Matt Tolentino (this is a repeat/continuation of Workshop #5)**

**Sat 4:30-5:30pm Grange/Upper**