



Join Us!

**Flute “Artist In Residence” Camp
with Mark “Thunderwalker” Camden**

Thurs, Aug. 27 – Sun, Aug. 30, 2026

The Riverview Retreat Center

Camp Pecometh, 136 Bookers Wharf Rd., Centreville, MD 21617

The **Woodland Heart Ancient Flute Alliance** presents a 4-day Musical Retreat on the banks of the Chester River in Maryland.

Mark Camden - Originally a trumpet player, Mark studied music education at The Ohio State University and has performed on a semiprofessional basis for over forty years. Mark has written arrangements and performed with groups playing a wide variety of music including big band, jazz, country and rock.

In 2001, while learning about his Cherokee heritage, Mark handcrafted his first Native American Style Flute and began writing original compositions for the flutes. By uniting the rich, ancient and haunting voice of the Native Flute with the sounds and styles of modern-day instrumentation, Mark is able to bring to the attention of new audiences this magnificent instrument.

Mark released his debut album “Uncovering My Path” in 2003 and in recent years another five albums have followed. Over the past two decades, Mark has performed at numerous Arts Festivals and events throughout Ohio, Michigan and Kentucky. Mark has also been the keynote speaker for many organizations that include World Music classes at Cedarville University and Ohio University. For many years, Mark has been a member of the Columbus Arts Council “Artist In The Schools” program and also has extensive experience sharing his stories and music with residents living in assisted living and memory care facilities. Mark has performed at the Zion Canyon Native Flute Festival in Utah and has been a feature performer at the Potomac Native Flute Festival in Maryland, Sunwatch Native American Flute Gathering in Ohio, The Ohio Valley Indigenous Music Festival in Springboro, Ohio, Native Dawn Flute Festival in Kentucky and The Woodland Heart Flute Festival in Wilmington, Delaware.

Our location has a limited number of rooms with **First Class accommodations** in the **Riverview Retreat Center**, which has **4 star semi-private hotel room style sleeping rooms** with a private bath. Additional sleeping arrangements are available in the Bunk House for more economy minded participants and there is an option for staying on the property in your own campers/mobile homes. The property offers wonderful hiking trails and water features (beaches, swimming pool, kayaking and canoeing) available to us. We will eat **amazing buffet style meals** (with excellent quality food), have 2 separate meeting rooms for our use, outdoor fire pits, and a large dining hall which will double as our Open Mic Concert Hall, all conveniently located in 1 large building with convenient parking. Handicapped accessibility is available as well as dietary accommodations. The structure of the weekend will include a concert, workshops with our guest artist, flutes available for purchase from several flute makers, hikes, canoeing/kayaking options (extra fee), open mic time and evening fire circles. We will begin our time together on Thursday afternoon and continue until Sunday lunchtime. The costs for the full weekend will include **3 nights, 9 meals and full use of the facilities**. Choose the options that will work best for you!

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