

## ABOUT THE PERFORMERS

### Ember

Ember is an eclectic choir bringing to life old world polyphonic folk singing traditions, with primary focus in the oral traditions of the Black Sea and Caucasus regions of Europe. Having fun, singing beautiful and moving music, honoring and ensuring that these rich folkloric traditions are passed to a new generation of singers, honing and discovering new things about their voices, and building a positive, vibrant community are their primary focuses.



### The Sapsuckers

The Sapsuckers write and perform original country/Americana songs that blend humor, heartache, and honky-tonk. With an eclectic style that ranges from hillbilly roots to Nashville pop, this songwriting team has developed a lively, contemporary take on country music. Their creative lyrics, catchy melodies, and clever stage show have earned them a growing fanbase in the Midwest and beyond.



### Awful Purdies

Awful Purdies is a Folk-Americana collective of five multi-instrumental women, powered by seamless harmonies, banjo, accordion, cello, guitar, mandolin, and bass. The sound is an earnest nod to traditional American music, folk, old country, bluegrass, honky tonk, and soul. Since 2006, Awful Purdies have been raising families, telling women's stories, advocating for human rights, and engaging with their communities in Eastern Iowa.



# Folk Festival of Music & Dance

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May 12, 13, & 14, 2023 ~ Gays Mills, Wisconsin

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SQUARE DANCE

WORKSHOPS

FAMILY ACTIVITIES

CONCERT

GOSPEL SING

