



*Shape Note*  
*Singing Schools & Singings*  
Saint John's Historic Church  
Main Street, Rutherfordton, NC  
May 27 and 28, 2017

**9:30 am – 3:00 pm both days**

Join us for two scholarly and entertaining Shape Note Singing Schools that will introduce you to the tradition and rudiments of singing songs by reading shape note music. The events are **free** and no experience is necessary. All are welcome!

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**Dr. Ian Quinn**, worldwide singing school master and Professor of Music and Cognitive Science at Yale University, will teach the singing school Saturday morning, using seven shapes (do re mi) from *The Christian Harmony, 2010 Edition*. Dr. Quinn does an excellent job of simplifying the sight reading of music and explaining how to sing these old songs with joy.



**Dr. Nathan Rees**, Board Member and Associate Editor of The Sacred Harp Publishing Company Newsletter, and Professor of Art History at The University of West Georgia, will teach the singing school Sunday morning, using four shapes (fa so la) from *The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition*. Dr. Rees is a very experienced and entertaining shape note singing school master that has spent time learning the traditions from the elders that have shaped The Sacred Harp traditions.

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The events are **FREE**, but it would be nice to have an idea of how many people would like to attend. Lunch will be Dinner on the Grounds style, so please bring a dish to share. To sign up for the event or to get further information, please contact Jane Cannon by phone or e-mail: (706) 410-0982 or [crvjanecannon@gmail.com](mailto:crvjanecannon@gmail.com), or see our event page on Facebook at Asheville Christian Harmony & Sacred Harp Singers.

For more information on shape note singing, go to [fasola.org](http://fasola.org) or [christianharmony.org](http://christianharmony.org).