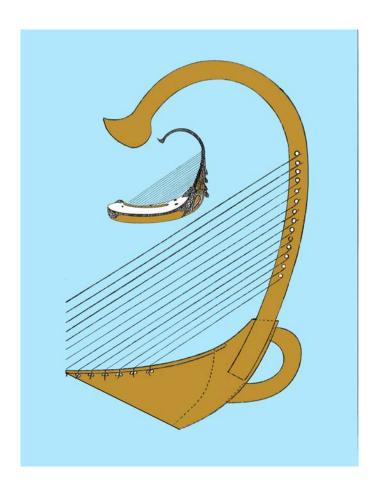
## HARP PLANS FROM THE FOLK HARP JOURNAL

This CD contains over 25 scale drawings of harp plans
Plus 50 articles on harp making hints
from the first 100 issues of the Folk Harp Journal (from 1973 to 1998)



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## INTRODUCTION

As the Reference Librarian for the International Society of Folk Harpers and Craftsmen (IFSHC), I am maintaining a file cabinet that contains one copy of every back issue of the Folk Harp Journal, dating back to the very first issue in June, 1973.

In 2006, the ISFHC Board of Directors voted to "go digital" with these archives in order to eliminate the high cost (over \$150 per month) of storing multiple hard copies of these magazines in a public storage facility. My main goal is to scan the pages of these back issues and organize the information so it can be compiled onto different CD's according to subject. These will not be audio CD's, but digitized PDF's of the printed pages. That makes the material much easier to mail to people all around the world. It also makes the information far cheaper to purchase than buying full magazines, especially for those who want all the information on a certain topic. The beauty of this PDF format is that you can print out whatever you find most helpful.

As I began pouring over the back issues, I became very excited about what I found, and I'm guessing that you, the reader, will get equally enthusiastic about the variety of harp plans and the wealth of information contained in the related articles.

Harp plans are organized alphabetically by type of instrument so all articles about the same style of harp are grouped together. I've also indicated the author of the article (when possible), along with the FHJ issue number in case you decide to look for more articles from a certain author or issue.

The second half of the CD contains helpful articles on harp making by a variety of contributors. These articles address a wide variety of issues, and they are more difficult to categorize, so you may want to spend some time browsing through them to see what is covered by each one.

Please Note that each title in the Table of Contents is clickable to take you right to the article. For easy navigation back to the Contents, just open the "bookmarks" tab at the left and click "Table of Contents".

Please contact me if you need more articles from back issues that are not included here. For a nominal fee, I can scan them and send by email, or photocopy them and send by regular mail.

I hope you find this CD inspiring and helpful!

Jerry Brown Reference Librarian November 2007

PS. Some of the pages in this CD are sized at 11" X 17" because I did not want to clip margins on center-fold plan drawings, thereby losing some of the details. If you don't have a printer that handles that size paper, just take the CD to Kinko's to print out those few pages. All information contained herein may be copied and used freely, provided the source is given.

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