



# Institute of Musical Traditions

*Monday Night Concert Series presents:*

## Le Vent du Nord

**Monday, April 3, 7:30 pm**

Saint Mark Presbyterian Church

10701 Old Georgetown Road, Rockville, MD - \$14 advance/\$17 door



Recipients of the 2005 Canadian Folk Award, LE VENT DU NORD (The North Wind) from Quebec is a breath of startlingly fresh air. A brief but perfectly accurate description might be: 8 musical instruments, 4 voices in harmony, 2 generations of musicians and a master of dance: **Benoit Bourque**, formerly of Matapat (diatonic accordion, bones, mandolin, jaw harp, step dance, vocals), **Nicolas Boulerice** (hurdy gurdy, piano, piano-accordion, bodhrán, vocals), **Olivier Demers** (fiddle, guitar, vocals, foot tapping), and **Simon Beaudry** (guitar, voice) are Le Vent du Nord.

Founded in 2002, the group released its first CD, *Maudite moisson!* in 2003 which won the 2004 JUNO award for Roots and Traditional Album of the Year/group. On

stage as well as on its albums, the band members are generously prolific with tasty bits of information describing the origins of a tune or a song. With a happy disposition and wild energy, Le Vent du Nord has conquered audiences of all ages from multiple cultures.

**Tickets/Information/Directions at 301-754-3611 or [www.imtfolk.org](http://www.imtfolk.org)**

**Advance tickets also available at the House of Musical Traditions, 7040 Carroll Avenue, Takoma Park, 301-270-9090**