

# festival of friends

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## The Festival of Friends: An Offering of Four Quaker Voices.

*Festival of Friends* presents four nationally-known artists—singer/songwriter Carrie Newcomer, and authors J. Brent Bill, Philip Gulley, and Scott Russell Sanders for a delightful evening of story, song, essay, and humor, inspired by the rich Quaker tradition of finding the wondrous and sacred within the ordinary and everyday.

**Brent Bill** is a writer and Quaker minister who lives with his wife Nancy in rural Indiana outside Mooresville. A graduate of Wilmington College and Earlham School of Religion, Brent is vice president of the Indianapolis Center for Congregations, author of numerous books and magazine articles, a writing instructor and coach, and popular speaker and retreat leader. His latest books are *Holy Silence* and *Mind the Light*. To learn more about Brent, visit his website at [www.brentbill.com](http://www.brentbill.com).

**Philip Gulley**, a popular local author and Quaker pastor, is known for his folksy and entertaining stories of small-town life, is. In addition to his Harmony series, Phil has also co-authored *If Grace is True* and *If God is Love*. Phil lives in Danville, Indiana, with his wife and two sons. He is pastor of Fairfield Friends Meeting. For more information about Phil, visit his website at [www.philipgulleybooks.com/](http://www.philipgulleybooks.com/).

**Carrie Newcomer**, a folksinger, songwriter and short story writer, has released nine critically acclaimed recordings and performed throughout the U.S., Alaska, and Europe. She leads writing workshops across the country, and she holds a bachelor's degree in fine art and education. A Quaker and an activist, Carrie has facilitated short and extended workshops and has been an artist-in-residence within the public schools, at colleges and at various spiritual retreat centers. For more information

about Carrie and her music, visit her website at [www.carriewcomer.com/](http://www.carriewcomer.com/).

**Scott Russell Sanders** is the acclaimed author of nineteen books, including eight works of fiction. He has taught at Indiana University since 1971. As a Distinguished Professor of English, Scott won several teaching awards and fellowships for writing. He writes and edits for several national magazines. To learn more about Scott and his books, visit his website at [www.scottrussellsanders.com](http://www.scottrussellsanders.com).



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