

# Proclamation



## Cathy Britell

Whereas:

She has served the autoharp community for many years in the capacities of author, teacher, performer and organizer, And;

Whereas:

She has presented national and international performances and workshops in behalf of our instrument, And;

Whereas:

She was instrumental in the founding and continued growth of the Cyberpluckers online discussion group, which has made it possible for autoharppers across the globe to network, And;

Whereas:

She has been an ongoing contributor to Autoharp Quarterly magazine, sharing her medical training and expertise as it pertains to the playing of stringed instruments, And;

Whereas:

She won the International Autoharp Contest at the Walnut Valley Festival in 2005 and placed in the top three in the Mountain Laurel Autoharp Championship in 2004 and 2007, And;

Whereas:

She was invited to participate in the highly-regarded Autoharp Legacy recording project, And;

Whereas:

She was co-founder of the Willamette Valley Autoharp Gathering in Oregon and also conceived and founded the Seattle Autoharp Week event in Washington state, And;

Whereas:

She wrote the books *It's An Autoharp!* and *Autoharp for Kids* and just recently completed and launched an enhanced digital edition of *It's An Autoharp!* with videos of the various techniques, for use with the iPad, And;

Whereas:

She has been a tireless supporter of live acoustic music by encouraging house concerts and hosting traveling musicians.

Therefore, let it be resolved that Cathy Britell be inducted with highest commendations as the 2012 Contemporary member of The Autoharp Hall of Fame.

So it is proclaimed on this, the Twenty First Day of June in the year Two Thousand and Twelve.