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DC-area Musicians Nominated for World Music GRAMMY
Hambo in the Snow

Washington, DC-area musicians Andrea Hoag, Loretta Kelley, and Charlie Pilzer received a GRAMMY® nomination for their second CD together, *Hambo in the Snow*. Released on the Takoma Park, MD label Azalea City Recordings, the CD is one of five nominees for Best Traditional World Music Album in the 49th Annual GRAMMY® Awards.

Scandinavian fiddle music is a rich and vibrant folk tradition, inspiring young people today even as it draws on an unbroken history of over 300 years. *Hambo in the Snow* presents traditional and newly-composed Scandinavian tunes as performed by three of America's leading exponents of Norwegian and Swedish traditional music. Evoking the intimate atmosphere of a winter night in the snowy north with their haunting melodies are Andrea on fiddle and vocals, Loretta on fiddle, *hardingfele* (Hardanger fiddle, an ornately-decorated Norwegian folk violin with sympathetic strings), and vocals, and Charlie on bass and one- and two-row accordions.

Andrea Hoag, Loretta Kelley, and Charlie Pilzer have performed at concerts and dances across the U.S. and in Europe for over 25 years, including appearances on *All Things Considered*, *Performance Today*, and *Prairie Home Companion*. They can also be heard together on their first joint CD, *Hambo in the Barn*. Andrea, widely known for her versatile fiddling, is a 1984 graduate of Sweden's Malungs Folkhögskola, and studied intensively with elder fiddlers Päckos Gustaf and Nils Agenmark. Loretta, America's foremost player of the *hardingfele* (Hardanger fiddle), has studied with numerous master fiddlers in Norway and placed highly in Norwegian fiddle competitions. Charlie is an award-winning performer and producer of traditional music. He is a long-time member of Spælimenninir, a folk band based in the Faroe Islands.

Both *Hambo in the Snow* (ACCD-0602) and *Hambo in the Barn* (ACCD-9601) are available from CDBaby.com and Amazon.com. For more information on *Hambo in the Snow*, visit www.hoagkelleypilzer.com.