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*On the cover: Roberto Bagnoli, Fall Camp 2022, photo by Therese Mahoney*



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## Editors' Corner

Coming up on the holidays, we report on Fall Camp, and other Recent Events. We hope the season of the fall equinox finds you well and ready to ring in the new year.

Find your choices in the Calendar, On the Scene, and the ads.

Hear from your colleagues on Solvang, in Poetry Corner and Dancers Speak.

Check with Club Directory for contacts, times and addresses.

Be of good cheer—we'll see you next year – in the February issue of Folk Dance Scene!

*Pat Cross and Don Krotser*

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# The Corner

## PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

Cheers to us—seniors are paying attention to our health and the results are notable! According to a Rand Corp. study, the percentage of people over 65 who are suffering from dementia declined by almost a third from 2000 to 2016. The study, published in the journal Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences, and summarized in UPI Health News Nov. 7, 2022, does not explore causation for the decline. Could it be that more folks are dancing, swimming, walking, playing pickle ball, etc., plus socializing and filling their plates with fruits and vegetables? Unfortunately, in 2016 8.5% of people in the US over age 65 were experiencing dementia. Friends don't let friends fade away. Pay it forward. Encourage your friends to join you at a folkdance session. When they ask, "what is folk dancing?" you won't have to stutter to describe your hobby. The Folk Arts Center of New England helpfully published a description. Read it at <https://facone.org/about-what-is-folkdancing.html>. Sarah Bustin, student president of the University of MA at Lowell Folk Dance Club, adapted the description in her welcome to new dancers. I thank Sarah for permission to include her message in Scene:

**•A definition of International Folk Dance:** Folk dances are traditional social dances of ethnic groups, rural or urban, from all over the world. Social dances are participatory dances done at weddings, parties, and other gatherings.

**•How do I start?** If you are new to folk dancing, our Tuesday night dances are the perfect place to join. Beginners and singles are always welcome! Comfortable, lightweight casual clothes and non-marking, soft-soled, low-heeled shoes are best for folk dancing.

**•What should I expect?** In a typical Tuesday evening, we do many different types of folk dances. Local folk dance bands provide music one or two evenings every semester. Each week, most of our dances are taught or called, and others can be followed by watching the leading dancers.

*The President's Corner continues on page 11.*



# FALL CAMP

## Fall Camp

This year at Fall Camp I saw so many friends who I hadn't seen since Fall Camp a year ago. And what a delight to meet dancers who traveled from New Mexico, Illinois, and New York, as well as Ahmet Luleci from Boston and Roberto Bagnoli and his partner, Giulia - from Rome, Italy. Having taken as many safeguards as possible it felt safe to be together and enjoy the camaraderie of sharing our common passion for folk dance and folk music.

*Sandy Helperin*



*Good weather in a beautiful setting, careful planning, and 20 helpful volunteers (about one third of those attending) created the magic of Fall Camp*

*We started with Roberto Bagnoli teaching outside (on cover) and were overcome by the joy of dancing together without masks, in a beautiful setting, with a master teacher who made his material accessible to all of us. At right, master teacher, Ahmet Luleci*





## Fall Camp, Once Again, Fantastic!

Marc and Jan Rayman work tirelessly to make this camp come together and work so beautifully! What a huge gift they give to the folk dancers who are able to attend. I bend in a deep bow of gratitude for their amazing generosity.

This year they were able to provide Fall Camp dancers with teachings from Roberto Bagnoli and Ahmet Luleci. The great dances they brought will easily be slipping into our folk dance repertoires, I'm quite sure. The energy and excitement that both Roberto and Ahmet brought to the dance floor was electric, fun and so wonderfully engaging.

Potluck band is amazing! Watching those musicians come together in just 3 very short rehearsals blows me away! Great teachers, music, dancers, friends and workable schedules for all; Amazing Camp!

Valerie Daley



*There was always room on the dance floor because of duplicate teaching sessions, parallel teaching in two rooms with dance floors, and alternative activities such as Potluck Band, T-shirt painting, head wreath making, a nature walk, music time machine, and massage services .*



*Besides the teaching, dancers enjoyed excellent food, dance parties, some live music, a puzzle, Scrabble, and other activities such as sky gazing and beating the Coronavirus.*

### **Fall Camp**

The best thing for me at camp was being able to see the warm, friendly group; lots of laughter, excellent teaching. Loved most of Roberto's dances and hope to see them done locally.

*Teri Hoffman*

### **Exuberant Reflections on Fall Camp 2022**

Camp brought together both dancers from far away and So Cal. In the crowd were expert dancers, lesser experienced dancers and those of us who fall between. I enjoyed every minute! I loved the variety of dances on the party programs. So many dances I didn't know.... So many opportunities to dance behind the line, follow feet and get acquainted with dances not in my repertoire. So many opportunities to make and renew friendships with folks who share my passion for international dance!

Equally satisfying were the dances presented by teachers. My attention never wandered. I'm motivated to practice *Canim Benim & Fistan*. It felt heavenly to dance *Cântă Cucu'n Bucovina* with Roberto.

I applaud Marc & Jan for scheduling rain to fall prior to camp, and for 2 satellites to pass overhead during the Star Gazing session. Loved waking up to brilliant blue skies, and hearing stellar bytes of info about stars, planets and moons of planets from Marc. I'm in awe of his knowledge (and humor) and of the vastness of space.

Hats off to Marc & Jan and their volunteer assistants who organized and carried out a flawless Fall Camp 2022!

*Diane Baker*

*Photos by Therese Mahoney*



*Thanks to Giulia Acciaroli, Robert Bagnoli, Ahmet Luleci, Marc and Jan Rayman*



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*Sheree King and Tom Bozgian, Artistic Directors*

*THE*  
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Saturday, December 17th, 2:00 PM

Fullerton College Campus Theatre  
321 E Chapman Ave  
Fullerton, CA 92832

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A one-hour performance specially made for children of all ages. Celebrate the season with the Sugar Plum Fairy and the Kingdom of Sweets. Reserved Seating \$15 - \$25.

For Tickets: (714) 526-3862 or [nouveauchamberballet.com](http://nouveauchamberballet.com)

Continue the magic at the Sugar Plum Party immediately following the performance for treats, a photo with the cast and much more! \$10/ child (Parent or guardian must be present)



# CALENDAR

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**Note: Federation events are in bold.**

**ONLINE:** Events are often scheduled with little lead time and may be canceled or postponed on short notice. Dale Adamson hosts a Google calendar of online events with weekly classes and special events. <https://daleadamson.com/events-calendar/> and Aaron Alpert maintains a list of Israeli dance online at <http://www.nirkoda.com/virtual> The EEFC maintains a calendar of events including camps and dance and music lessons at <https://eefc.org/calendar/>

## **FOLK DANCE GROUPS MEETING ON ZOOM**

*LIFE Balkan Dancers* on Fridays, 8-11 pm. Contact Sherry Cochran at [worldance1@gmail.com](mailto:worldance1@gmail.com) for the link and password. Now hybrid - online and in person at LADanceFit, **10936 Santa Monica Blvd, LA CA 90025.**

***Laguna International Dancers.* Holds regular Zoom dance event Sunday evening from 6-8. We open the waiting room at 5:45 and let people chat and socialize until we start dancing at 6. The teacher/dance leader is Lee Otterholt. The first half hour is teaching and dancing of easier dances and the last hour from 7 to 8 includes teaching and dancing of some more challenging dances. In person dancing Wednesday at Clubhouse 2 on the patio, 6-8 p.m.**

*The Folk Arts Center of New England* holds cultural workshops on Thursdays and monthly Saturday hybrid parties with live music. <http://www.facone.org/programs-online-events.html>

*Ethnic Dance Chicago, Illinois* Fridays at 7:30 -11 CDT (5:30 - 9 pm Pacific Time). 1st half hour warm ups, discussion, with more discussion following after 8 pm Pacific Time. Schedule and info at [www.ethnicdance.net/virtualdanceroom/](http://www.ethnicdance.net/virtualdanceroom/)

***Cerritos Folk Dancers.* Cerritos Folk Dancers conduct virtual classes through Zoom every Tuesday evening, from 6:00 to 8:45. It is open to the public. Donation is \$4 each time. Other options to donate are available. The first time participating in CFD's Tuesday class is free of charge. Contact [CerritosFolkDancers@gmail.com](mailto:CerritosFolkDancers@gmail.com) for the weekly playlists and other details.**

*The Peninsula Dancers* from Northern CA present the Global Folk Dance Party on Zoom every 3rd Saturday of the month from 3-6:30, also on Facebook live <https://www.facebook.com/PFDCouncil/> One time registration at [https://us02web.zoom.us/joining/register/tZcucemrqT4rGdEuA1GXFGqXLH9BSIMr8\\_Hp](https://us02web.zoom.us/joining/register/tZcucemrqT4rGdEuA1GXFGqXLH9BSIMr8_Hp) Info: [virtualfolkdance@gmail.com](mailto:virtualfolkdance@gmail.com)

*Tuesday Night Revival* (Boston - MIT) now meets on the 1st Saturday of every month, 5-8 pm Pacific Time <https://tuesdaynightrevival.com/> or join Zoom at <https://tinyurl.com/tnrzoom>

*Roberto Bagnoli* holds Israeli and Balkan dance parties from Rome, often on Sunday mornings and/or weekdays at noon. Check his webpage <http://morenu.it/> for the current schedule and Zoom links.

***Kypseli* has been presenting Greek dance and music sessions on Zoom on occasional Saturdays, often from Greece. Information will be on their Facebook page and website [www.kypseli.org](http://www.kypseli.org)**

*Ira Weisburd* teaches line dances and hosts a Balkan-Israeli Session, usually recorded for later viewing. Donations requested. <https://www.facebook.com/dancewithira> Ira's classes are now broadcast on his YouTube Channel - his Facebook page redirects to: <https://www.youtube.com/user/iraweisburd>

***Vintage Israeli Dance* is hosting monthly hybrid in person and Zoom meetings. Email [dovbyrd@aol.com](mailto:dovbyrd@aol.com) for the dates and Zoom link. <http://www.vintageisraelidancing.org/>**

## DECEMBER

- 3-4 *Holidays at Greystone Beverly Hills* - festive décor, multicultural themes, live caroling, craft-making, story time, a dance party with Mostly Kosher, show by Bob Baker Marionettes <https://beverlyhills.org/departments/communityservices/cityparks/greystonemansiongardens/eventsandprograms/holidaysatgreystone>
- 8 *Orchestrar Meze Milen Kirov's Peasant Funk* [www.eventbrite.com/e/orkestar-meze-takes-over-hollywood-tickets-459581549787](http://www.eventbrite.com/e/orkestar-meze-takes-over-hollywood-tickets-459581549787)
- 11 *Sunday Funday at The Wallis* "Mostly Kosher" at 11 am, followed by African Dance with Debbie Allen Dance Academy <https://thewallis.org/show-info.php?id=516>
- 11 *Westside Classics* 6:30 pm Pacific Time with Joan Hantman and Aaron Bental - Israeli Dance Classics 80's Night! Zoom ID: 994 374 8953 Password: 8Classics - sign in with your name and city in order to be admitted! Paypal donations appreciated. [Jehdance@gmail.com](mailto:Jehdance@gmail.com)
- 17 *The Nutcracker* presented by Nouveau Chamber Ballet, Sheree King and Tom Bozigian, Artistic Directors, 2 pm at the Fullerton College Campus Theatre, 321 E Chapman Ave. Tickets 714-526-3862 or <http://nouveauchamberballet.com/> See OTS and ad.
- 18 *Annual Hanukkah Party at the Skirball* <https://www.skirball.org/programs/family-programs/hanukkah-fest-2022> .Klezmer rockers "Mostly Kosher", Dublab DJ Callie Ryan and dance leaders Bruce Bierman and Gilberto Melendez.
- 31 *Pasadena Co-op New Year's Eve Party, 7:30-10 pm, Altadena Community Church, 943 Altadena Drive, Altadena, CA 91001. See OTS and ad.*

## 2023

### JANUARY

- 14 *Pasadena Co-op Winter Festival, 1-5 pm, Altadena Community Church, 943 Altadena Drive, Altadena, CA 91001. See OTS and ad.*
- 14 *Prof. Anton Andonov Bulgarian workshop* at Folk Dance Center, 5500 Grossmont Center Drive, La Mesa. See OTS.
- 18 *Prof. Anton Andonov Bulgarian workshop at Laguna Folk Dancers, 5:00-7:00 at Clubhouse*

2, 24112 Moulton Pkwy, Laguna Woods. (949) 770-7026 [7kahnmiriam@gmail.com](mailto:7kahnmiriam@gmail.com), Miriam Kahn.

27-30 *Stockton Winter Weekend* online <https://www.folkdancecamp.org/>

### FEBRUARY

- 17-19 *Croatian Cultural Extravaganza*, St. Anthony's, Los Angeles.
- 19-20 *Israeli Camp SheLANu*, Brandeis <http://campshelanu.com/>
- 25 *East West Lunar New Year Festival, Cerritos Folk Dancers.*

### MARCH

- 11 *Goran Bregovich* at the Luckman Fine Arts Complex at Cal State LA, 5151 State University Dr LA CA 90032 <https://www.ticketmaster.com/goran-bregovic-los-angeles-california-03-11-2023/event/0B005CF7D6025112>
- 25 *Memories of Kindness: An Evening of Bulgarian and Jewish Music*, with Nevenka and the Yuval Ron Ensemble. This concert honors the heroic people of Bulgaria who saved 50,000 Jewish lives during the Holocaust. Culver City. Info: <https://www.nevenka.org/>

### MAY

- 6 *Cerritos 14th Anniversary Festival, 1 - 5 pm at Cerritos Senior Center, 12340 South St., Cerritos, CA 90703.*
- 19-21 *Harbor View Statewide 2023. Bata Marcetic and Joan Hantman. Wigwam Hall, 543 Shepard St, San Pedro, CA 90731. See ad.*

### NORTHERN CALIFORNIA

- 18 *Classic Israeli folk dances from before 1985* 1:30pm-5:30pm at Ashkenaz in Berkeley, simulcast on Zoom at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2973937942?pwd=YWxWAdhFazB4akJSQ0VyK1UveUM0Zz09>

### OUT OF STATE

#### 2023

- Feb 3-6, 2023, *Florida Winter Workshop Weekend*, Teachers: Jaap Leegwater and Andy Taylor-Blenis, Ramada Gateway Hotel, Kissimmee, FL (Orlando area), [folkdance.org](http://folkdance.org)

Feb 16-19 *Greek Orthodox Folk Dance Festival*, Sheraton Phoenix Downtown Hotel, Phoenix AZ <https://www.yourfdf.org/>

Mar 11 *Balkan Night Northwest*, Seattle, save the date.

Mar 24-26 *San Antonio Folk Dance Festival* in person, featuring Ventzi Sotirov and Fusae Carroll. <https://safdf.org/>

Mar 29 – Apr 2 *National Folk Organization Conference 2023*, Concord MA <https://info-usa.com/info-annual-conference-2023/> See ad.

Apr 21-23 *Lyrids Folk Dance Festival* with Genci Kastrati and Steve Kotansky <https://lyridsfolkdancefestival.org/>

May 12-14 *International Folkdance Camp* at Circle Lodge, Hopewell Junction, NY with guest teachers Tineke and Maurits Van Geel teaching Armenian, International and Roma dances and live music Sat night from Sladka. Info: <http://ifc-ny.com> or email [DancelFC@gmail.com](mailto:DancelFC@gmail.com) or call Joan at 617-893-2399.

June 9-11 *Hora Shalosh* in Copake, NY honors Moshe Eskayo's life and legacy. Info [www.horashalosh.com](http://www.horashalosh.com)

## 2024

Apr 5 - 8, 2024, *Hora Eclipse 2*: Friday to Monday, with a total solar eclipse Monday afternoon. At the URJ Greene Family Camp, just outside Waco Texas (in conjunction with the National Folk Organization and Kochavim Israeli Dance Camp.) <http://hora-eclipse.com>

## FOREIGN

### CENTRAL EUROPE

6/14-27/2023 *Folk Dance and Yodeling Tour* to Germany, Austria, Lichtenstein, Switzerland. Led by Jim Gold, Lee Otterholt and Lee Friedman. Munich, Salzburg, Lucerne, plus. Info: [www.JimGold.com](http://www.JimGold.com), 201.836.0362. See ad.

### GREECE

10/7-20/2023 *Tour to Greece and Greek Islands led by Jim Gold and Lee Otterholt*. Athens, Sparta, Delphi, cruise to islands. Info: [www.JimGold.com](http://www.JimGold.com), 201.836.0362. See ad.

## FRANCE

6/24 – 7/7/2023 *Dance on the Water* Provence, the Rhone and Marseilles [www.folkdanceonthewater.org](http://www.folkdanceonthewater.org) See Ad.

## HUNGARY

10/12-23 *Hungarian Dance and Folklore Tour III*. Budapest and NW Hungary. Info: Jeff O'Connor, [tours.easterneurope@gmail.com](mailto:tours.easterneurope@gmail.com) or Steve Kotansky, [stephenkotansky@gmail.com](mailto:stephenkotansky@gmail.com)

## IRELAND

8/5-17/2023 *Tour led by Jim Gold and Lee Friedman*. Galway, Aran Islands, Cork, Blarney, Dublin, plus. Info: [www.JimGold.com](http://www.JimGold.com), 201.836.0362. See ad.

## ISRAEL

3/12-23/2023 *Tour led by Jim Gold, Joe Freedman and Lee Friedman*. Info: [www.JimGold.com](http://www.JimGold.com), 201.836.0362. See ad.

## PERU, BOLIVIA, CHILE

5/21-6/2/2023 *Tour led by Martha Tavera*. Cuzco, Sacred Valley, La Paz, Atacama Desert and more. Info: [www.JimGold.com](http://www.JimGold.com), 201.836.0362. See ad.

## POLAND

6/8-21/2023 *Tour led by Richard Schmidt*. Warszawa, Olsztyn, Malbork, Gdansk. More. Info: [www.JimGold.com](http://www.JimGold.com), 201.836.0362. See ad.

## ROMANIA

10/1-15/2023 *Tour led by Nancy Hoffman and Lee Friedman* Bucharest, Brasov, Sibiu Cluj, Piatra Neamt, Sighetu Marmatiou. Info: [www.JimGold.com](http://www.JimGold.com), 201.836.0362. See ad.

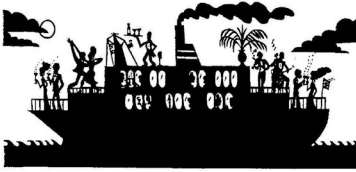
## SCANDINAVIA

6/13-27/2023 *Tour led by Lee Otterholt*. Norway, Sweden, Denmark. Info: [www.JimGold.com](http://www.JimGold.com), 201.836.0362. See ad.

## SPAIN

9/14-27/2023 *Tour led by Lee Otterholt*. Malaga, Cadiz, Seville, Cordoba, Jaen, Granada. Info: [www.JimGold.com](http://www.JimGold.com), 201.836.0362. See ad.





# DANCE ON THE WATER *returns!*

## *Provence, the Rhone and Marseille* **June 24 – July 7, 2023**

Two days in Lyon, seven days sailing on the *M/S Rhone Princess*,  
ending with four days in Marseille – with folk dancing nearly every night!

Eleven excursions and most meals included! Sights include Van Gogh's Arles, the papal  
palace at Avignon, exploring the wilderness of the Camargue river delta  
and a trip to Calanques National Park outside Marseille.

All this for as low as \$3,475 per person (double occupancy, excluding air)

Check out our website for all the details, including an illustrated Itinerary:  
[www.folkdanceonthewater.org](http://www.folkdanceonthewater.org)

Please write to get on our email list: [folkdanceonthewater@gmail.com](mailto:folkdanceonthewater@gmail.com)  
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### • **Why should I folk dance?**

*Have fun and make friends!*

*The positive energy in the room during a folk dance  
is infectious. You'll make new friends and learn a  
new skill while having a great time!*

*Get some exercise!*

*Folk dancing is an activity appropriate for all fitness  
levels. Beginners can learn all the steps just by  
walking. Advanced dancers often hop and bounce to  
get a more intense workout.*

*Try something radically new!*

*Push yourself outside your comfort zone and join  
the circle. You'll be glad you did!*

*Learn about world cultures and music!*

We do dances from all over the world, and our  
instructors love to tell us about the history and  
background of where our dances come from. The  
unique music we use for our dances fills us with  
inspiration.

I hope Sarah's words inspire you to invite a friend,  
or possibly visiting family members, to dance with  
you this month!

Job openings, no experience necessary, for Harbor  
View Statewide Festival May 19 – 21, 2023

### **Snack & Beverage Coordinator**

Qualifications: must enjoy consuming a bite  
or a swig between dance sessions.

We opened kitchen cupboards at Wigwam Hall and  
found coffee maker, cutting boards, utensils, 2  
refrigerators, ice chests, plate warmers and more.  
No fancy French appetizers on the snack menu, just  
EZ to set out cheese cubes, yogurts, fruits, cookies,  
etc. Your mission, should you accept it, is to keep  
the Folk in attendance energized and hydrated.  
Invite 2 -4 volunteers to share the responsibility and  
plan to serve what you like to eat!

[Diane.baker@diandden.net](mailto:Diane.baker@diandden.net)

**Statewide update:** Registration page is posted on  
Federation website. We'll be sleeping at Studio 6  
Suites, located at 525 Harbor Blvd., San Pedro. Call  
310-548-1080 to reserve a room now.

*Diane Baker*

# ON THE SCENE

## SAVE THE DATE!!

We invite you to join us for the International Folkdance Camp! Friday–Sunday, May 12–14 at scenic Circle Lodge in Hopewell Junction, NY. Our great guest teachers will be Tineke and Maurits Van Geel teaching Armenian, International and Roma dances. Sladka, the wonderful band from Boston, will return to entertain us with live music on Saturday night.

Delicious Meals! Scenic Lakeside Location! Large Wooden Dance Floor!

Attendees must be fully vaccinated including boosters. Proof of vaccination must be submitted with registration to attend this IFC Revival. Current NY/CDC Covid guidelines will be adhered to for everyone's safety.

We want to see you at camp! More information is available on our website: <http://ifc-ny.com>

For other questions, email [DanceIFC@gmail.com](mailto:DanceIFC@gmail.com) or call Joan at 617-893-2399.

*Joan Hantman*

*Murray & Randi Spiegel*

## PASADENA FOLK DANCE CO-OP

Join us for in-person dancing any Friday night from 7:30 till 9:30 at Altadena Community Church Heicher Hall, 943 E Altadena Drive in Altadena. Currently we require all attendees to be fully vaccinated. Masks are recommended but not required.

December this year presents us with five Fridays plus New Year's Eve, which is forcing us to have dance parties two nights in a row (it's tough but we're up to the challenge). On December 30<sup>th</sup>, we'll have our traditional Fifth Friday party night with all-request recorded music, and on the 31<sup>st</sup>, join us for our New Year's Eve party featuring live music by The Fifth Friday Band.

On January 14<sup>th</sup> we're hosting our first Winter Festival since January 2020. Four hours of dancing on a Saturday afternoon, and Fifth Friday will be playing for us again.

For more details, see our ads in this issue for both NYE and Winter Festival. And please visit our website closer to the dates for updates and Covid protocols. <https://www.pasadenafolkdancecoop.org/events/>

*Mari Werner*

*Pasadena Folk Dance Co-op Publicity*

## NATIONAL FOLK ORGANIZATION CONFERENCE

March 29 - April 2, 2023 in Concord Massachusetts. Presentations with Tony Parkes, Michael Ginsburg, Jacqueline Schwab and others. Reports on NFO projects and grants - dance parties every night - lots of live music.

Venues will be the Concord Scout House, <http://concordscouthouse.org> and the Trinitarian Congregational Church next door. Hotel reservation block set up at Concord's Colonial Inn. <https://www.concordscolonialinn.com>

See more info at <https://nfo-usa.com/nfo/annual-conference-2023/> Let me know if you need more information. Price is still being worked on. Registration should open mid-December.

## EUROPE DANCE CHAMPIONSHIP

The Europe Dance Championship for Dance Schools, Companies and Groups from all over. Barcelona Dance Award in Spain from 6 to 10 April 2023 during Easter Spring Time!

Simply, ...one of the best competition for dance schools in the world, where you can perform in a "Spanish Tourneè"!

Events for Dance, Ballet, Contemporary, Modern, Hip Hop and each other kind of dance art, Dance Team Showcases, Workshop Opportunities & International Dance Competitions, all ages, and ability levels welcome.

The dance competition will be held in classic theaters and NOT in sports halls!

To find out how to qualify, mail the office, so

Directors should act right away for next year! Unfortunately, in this year, space has been limited and many groups have failed to register, and we hope to not have this kind of problem, for your dance group, next editions!

The 2023 Dance Europe Championships are terrifically enjoyable and, marking the long-awaited launch of your dance group, it promises even better things to come.

Info-Program and Fee:  
barcelonadanceaward2022@gmail.com

## **WESTSIDE CLASSICS!!**

Sunday December 11, 2022, 6:30 pm Pacific Time; on ZOOM!

Join Joan Hantman and Aaron Bental for an Israeli Dance Classics 80's Night!

Zoom ID: 994 374 8953; Password: 8Classics.

**\*\*Also when you sign in, please sign in with your name and city in order to be admitted!\*\*** You will have to rename yourself before or as you sign in. Names such as "iPhone 123" or "Galaxy 5", etc. will NOT be admitted in order to help to keep our session safe and secure.

Paypal donations appreciated.  
Jehdance@gmail.com Requests appreciated in advance!

See you there!!!

*Joan*

## **THE NUTCRACKER WITH TOM BOZIGIAN**

Saturday, December 17, 2:00 pm. Sheree King and Tom Bozigian present the Nutcracker. Celebrate the season with this special one-hour performance of the second act including Spanish, Chinese, Russian, Scottish and Arabian dances all choreographed by Sheree and Tom. The presentation features Guest Artists Tara Ghassemieh and Vitor Luiz, formerly of San Francisco Ballet. At the Fullerton College Campus Theatre, 321 E Chapman Ave, Fullerton CA 92832. Reserved seating \$15-\$25. For tickets: 714-526-3862 or [nouveauchamberballet.com](http://nouveauchamberballet.com)

## **BULGARIAN WORKSHOPS**

Professor Anton Andonov will be coming from Bulgaria to present two workshops:

January 18 at Laguna Folk Dancers, 5:00-7:00 at Clubhouse 2, 24112 Moulton Pkwy, Laguna Woods. (949) 770-7026 [7kahnmiriam@gmail.com](mailto:7kahnmiriam@gmail.com) Miriam Kahn

January 14, at Folk Dance Center, 5500 Grossmont Center Drive, La Mesa, 91942, 4:00 – 6:00 pm, followed by a short dinner break, then a review and more dancing beginning at 7:00. Contacts: Mary Marshall - 858.342.5350, Dave Coughlin - 619.491.0264.

Prof. Andonov was at Laguna Festival a few years ago and was very well received, and might be coming our way again later in the year for more workshops.

Iliana Bozhanova, Bulgarian dance teacher, and Todor Yankov, accordionist, will be coming to Southern California in early August 2023, and will be available for workshops. The workshops will consist of excellent teaching of delightful Bulgarian dances accompanied by live music.

If your club is interested in having one of these workshops, please let me know what date(s) are good for you, and if there is any flexibility in scheduling. Since their fee will partly include a portion of their airfare from Bulgaria, it will be \$400. If your club is part of the Folk Dance Federation, you will be reimbursed for \$200 of that fee. If you are not part of the Federation please schedule your workshop with me anyway, so that we can lower the chance of double-booking.

*Jay Michtom*

*[JayMichtom@yahoo.com](mailto:JayMichtom@yahoo.com), 818.368.1957.*





# HARBOR VIEW

## STATEWIDE 2023

### SAN PEDRO

Featuring:  
Miroslav "Bata" Marcetic  
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and  
Joan Hantman  
teaching dances of Israel

**May 19 – 21, 2023**  
**Wigwam Hall**  
**543 Shepard St.**  
**San Pedro, CA 90731**

Featuring the Bands  
Sans Frontières, Veselba and Tzidia

The art for our flyer was developed from an original watercolor by Don Krotee.

Check  
<https://socalfolkdance.org/statewide.htm>  
for schedule, parking, covid regulations,  
parking, registration, hotels, optional  
excursions & Sunday p.m. gathering.



# Harbor View Statewide Folk Dance Festival

May 19 - May 21, 2023

Wigwam Hall, San Pedro

Registration Form (Please register individually, one form per person)

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ 1<sup>st</sup> Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Best time to call: \_\_\_\_\_  
E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_

**Festival Package** (Includes ALL workshops and parties; **\$135 after pre-reg closes**)

- \$100 when payment is received by February 1, 2023  
 \$120 when payment is received by April 1, 2023  
 \$125 when payment is received by May 7, 2023 (*final day to preregister*)

**All Events Saturday** (Morning, afternoon, and evening; **\$85 at the door**)

- \$75 All day Saturday

**Individual Events (\$30 each at the door)**

- \$25 Friday evening party                       \$25 Saturday evening party  
 \$25 Saturday AM instruction                       \$25 Sunday morning review  
 \$25 Saturday PM instruction

Children under 18 are admitted free with a paying adult. Young adults aged 19-21 can receive a 50% discount if they volunteer for 1-2 hours. **Work scholarships are available.** Contact Diane at [diane.baker@diandden.net](mailto:diane.baker@diandden.net)

**Subtotal:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Additional offerings:** (meals only available with pre-registration)

- \$12 Gourmet sandwich, salad, fruit **Sat. lunch**    with meat    vegetarian  
 \$25 Pollo veracruzano or Chile relleno dinner **Sat. eve.**    with meat    vegetarian  
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**To register with this mail-in form:** Send your completed form with your check or money order payable to **Folk Dance Federation of CA, South** to: **Statewide Registrar, Stefanie Holzman, 5702 Kern Dr., Huntington Beach, CA 92649.**

On-line registration will be available starting January 20, 2023.

Visit the Statewide 2023 link on webpage at <https://socalfolkdance.org/statewide.htm> for the latest information about schedule, opportunities for cultural excursions, post festival Sunday afternoon gathering, teachers, music (bands & playlists), hotels, restaurants, parking, directions, etc. **Mask and proof of vaccination requirements will follow CDC, State, and County COVID regulations at the time of the event.** Harbor View Statewide is sponsored by the Folk Dance Federation of California, South, a non-profit organization.

# RECENT EVENTS



On October 20th, 2022, Narodni and Veselo Selo presented a party. The occasion was billed as a Celebration of Folk Dance Culture in Southern California. It was also in large part a celebration of Lu Perry's 90th birthday which we celebrated in style with 3 cakes, greeting cards for everyone to sign, and a large beautiful banner. Lu Perry provided us with some entertainment by bringing a group of Hula Dancers who performed for us. Live music from Veselba gave us merry accompaniment to our dancing. The party was well attended with dancers coming from all over. You may recognize many of them in the photos.



## HALLOWEEN AT NARODNI

Narodni met on an evening near Halloween. In celebration of being close to Halloween, we had an Orange and Black night. Seen here are the dancers in their Orange and Black finest.

Photos by Ralph van Middlesworth.



# New Year's Eve Chicago Dance Party

Hosted by  
**Pasadena Folk Dance Co-op**

**Friday, December 31, 2022**  
**7:30 till 10:00 PM (It will be 2023 in Chicago)**



**Live music by**  
**Fifth Friday**  
**Plus all-request recorded dance music**  
**Altadena Community Church, Heicher Hall**  
**943 Altadena Drive, Altadena, CA 91001**  
**Admission: \$10**

We plan to have pot luck refreshments  
and our usual Covid-19 protocols--vaccination required, masks recommended  
But please check our website for updates and Covid protocols  
<https://www.pasadenafolkdancecoop.org/events>



# SOLVANG



## REPORT FROM SOLVANG FOLK DANCERS 10-30-22

We have been dancing continuously since June of 2020. Initially we were dancing on our patio including during the winter of 2020-2021, until the Buellton Rec Center opened up again in April of 2021 when we switched to there, and have been dancing there since. Through the remainder of 2021 and since there has been a very large amount of Solvang tourism. Danish Days occurred in the past on the Third Weekend of September, but was cancelled for 2020 and 2021. It was supposed to occur in 2021 but was cancelled at the last minute. We had asked Solvang if they would object to our dancing on the street that weekend anyway, and received a very enthusiastic positive response. So even though Danish Days was cancelled that year, we danced on the street anyway, joined by quite a few couples that came down from Fresno. Danish Days was fully on this year and we had a wonderful time with probably around 50 dancers, dancing Friday night, all day Saturday and Sunday. A lot of people attended from out of town, but I would be hard pressed to say generally if tourism was greater during September/October. It has been significant for quite some time now.

Solvang is about a 2-hour drive from LA depending on where in LA people start from. Here in the Santa Ynez Valley, Buellton, where we dance, is about 10 minutes from Solvang, maybe 20 from Santa Ynez, about 30 minutes from Lompoc, and 45 minutes from Goleta, near Santa Barbara. We dance Saturday evenings from 6:00 to 8:00 PM at the Buellton Rec Center, 301 Second St. in Buellton, Room A. (From 101, exit at Buellton, Hwy 246, and head west towards Lompoc, cross Avenue of the Flags and through the next signal at Industrial Way. Turn right at the next block, La Lata to the stop sign at Second, but don't turn there. Continue straight ahead and then ½ block turn left into the parking lot.) Room A is immediately adjacent to the parking lot. We do primarily International Folk Dancing, mix of line dances and couple dances. Don't need a partner. Lots of teaching, depending on the mix of people there. Evening is free! Nice floor. Very friendly group. Following dancing there is coffee and goodies. We would enthusiastically encourage anyone to join us.

In addition to the great dancing, the Santa Ynez Valley is beautiful and a great place to visit, wineries, wonderful mountains for hiking, and very friendly people. On the third Saturday of the month, we dance in Downtown Solvang from 1:00 to 3:00 and invite people in the audience to join us. As a result, there are fewer dancers for our session in Buellton on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturdays of the month.

The photo on the next page was taken of our group dancing in Downtown Solvang, earlier in October. We were joined by two other couples, one from Santa Barbara and one from Pasadena. My wife, Jo, and I danced with the Santa Barbara couple at the Santa Barbara English Country dance group, but which has not been dancing because of the virus. I am the one with the beard, and Jo is next to me in the red vest.

*David Heald*



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*National Folk Organization*  
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**MARCH 29 - APRIL 2, 2023**

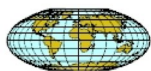
Concord, Massachusetts

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Led by Lee Otterholt, guided by Kliti Zika. Tirana, Durres, Vlora Festival, Kruja, Gjirokaster, Saranda, Berat, Lake Prespa, Ochrid

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## **SCANDINAVIA:** Norway, Sweden, Denmark June 13-27, 2023

Led by Lee Otterholt. Oslo, Gothenburg, Helsingborg, Copenhagen

## **GERMANY, AUSTRIA, LICHTENSTEIN, SWITZERLAND**

June 14-27, 2023. **Folk Dance and Yodeling Tour**

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## **BULGARIA:** August 7-20, 2023 **Black Sea Ext. August 20-25!**

Led by Lee Otterholt and Ventsi Milev

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## **IRELAND:** August 5-17, 2023:

Led by Lee Friedman and Kay Cleary

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## **SPAIN:** September 14-27, 2023: Led by Lee Otterholt:

Malaga, Cadiz, Seville, Cordoba, Jaen, Granada

## **ROMANIA:** October 1-15, 2023

Led by Nancy Hoffman and Lee Friedman

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# POETRY CORNER

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## PREPARING A PLACE

Micro-greens she called them  
Little leaves atop quivering stems  
Needing good soil, careful watering  
Needing sheltering from turbulent winds  
To thrive, to nourish and strengthen our bodies

Micro-greens in the garden of our spirit  
Leaves of yearning on quivering stems of hope  
Amid this seasonal hoopla of gifts and glitz  
Needing the gentle moisture of tradition  
To thrive, to nourish and strengthen our souls

For we learn slowly, forget quickly  
When the world beguiles and misleads  
For we are weak and succumb  
When our heart's desire is an illusive  
Misty thing one cannot grasp in hand

Unseen in the soft places of the heart  
This internal craving grows or withers  
Rooted in Spirit and nourished by tradition...  
Preparing a place for the babe  
Of our own renewal to be born anew.

--- *Camille Dull*



## I AM A DANCER

I dance the Balkan rhythm  
the slow quick-quick  
with gaida wail  
and dumbek beat

I dance the Japanese obon  
in steady step  
with hands in motion  
I tell a story

I dance the Scottish Highlands  
weave and set  
in figure eights  
and soft-soled shoes.

I dance the Latin beat  
the cumbia, the cha-cha  
the salsa, the samba  
rhythm of my soul and feet.

I dance the world  
I am a dancer.

*Pat Cross*



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# DANCERS SPEAK

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## SQUARE DANCING

Diane Baker, our effervescent Folk Dance Federation, South president has told us (November Scene) of her early involvement in square dancing. That prompted me to call up memories of my square dancing days.

At church young people conventions, when I was a teen, simple square dancing was often part of the program. No instruction, just try to figure out what the caller was telling you to do. Lots of giddy fun.

After graduating from college I left my Boston home and went to work in Akron, Ohio. Akron home was a room on the 13th floor of the YMCA. Every Wednesday night, in the large first floor assembly room there was a square dance, led by a member of the Y staff. Dozens of young, energetic Akronites danced enthusiastically. I quickly became an every Wednesday enthusiast.

One night the leader/caller asked if I would like to call a dance. Sure. I had been dancing long enough by then to know the calls for quite a few dances. Thereafter I occasionally called or sang the do-si-dos. We had a professional caller one night and, when he took a break, I called a dance or two.

Several weeks later my church centered social group decided it would be fun to zip over to Canton, about 25 miles away, on a Saturday night to participate in the Pro Caller's large outdoor square dance. Held in the massive parking lot of a major manufacturing company, it featured live music. We found dancers from all over the local area, maybe a hundred or more.

Pro Caller called several lively dances. Then he said: "There's a young fella here from Akron tonight." He seemed to be looking in my direction. "I'd like to have him come up on stage and call a dance for us." Yes, he meant me! I jumped at the chance and went to the stage.

"What would you like to call?"

"How about Glory, Glory, Hallelujah?" It was a singing call.

"Great."

Sets formed. The band began to play. I started the call. The parking lot came to life.

"The first lady promenade the inside of the ring,

"When you get back home give your partner a great big swing ..." The pinnacle of my calling career.

Not long afterward there was a period when Life didn't offer the chance for dancing. But then, during a summer spent working on the trail crew at Mount Rainier National Park, I experienced an entrancing weekend in the little mountain town of Enumclaw where the Glacier Gliders were hosting a folk dance festival. There was dancing in the high school gym (the Hambo looked easy), dancing in the town streets, dancing in the park that seemed like a fun sister of square dancing.

Fast forward a few years. Mary and I and our three daughters had settled in Lakewood, California. A neighbor spoke of belonging to a square dance club and invited us to attend a session. Why not? We had had some sporadic opportunities to square dance in Ohio before we moved to California and were confident we could pick it up again quickly. To our surprise we discovered that Western Square Dance was different from Eastern Square Dance - more complicated with all the couples often moving simultaneously - in contrast to East's reliance on active/inactive couples. We would need lessons if we were to continue and that wasn't feasible.

About that time we read in the local paper about something called the Statewide Folk Dance Festival that was soon to be held in Long Beach. We attended several sessions. BIG WOW! That settled our dancing focus for the forthcoming decades.

Square dancing has popped back into the picture twice since then: I choreographed a square dance for an Oasis on Stage performance and created a dance for eight members of the Bellflower Civic Chorus to whoop and holler to as the rest of the Chorus sang Wabash Cannonball during its three Fall 2006 concerts. Yee Haw!

Carl Pilsecker





# Winter Festival

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## Pasadena Folk Dance Co-op

Saturday, January 14, 2023

1:00 till 5:00 PM

**Altadena Community Church Heicher Hall**

**943 Altadena Drive, Altadena, CA 91001**

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# CLUB DIRECTORY

Most groups welcome beginning dancers. The groups with an \* below have sessions specifically for beginners.

**>>Several groups recently notified Scene that they are now dancing in-person. These groups are indicated below with >> preceding their name. It is still a changing dance scene so verify before attending. Other groups may be holding Zoom dance sessions or not meeting in-person so contact the contact before showing up.<<**

**JAN. 2022 — DUE TO INCREASING COVID CASES SOME GROUPS THAT HAVE BEEN DANCING LOCALLY HAVE TEMPORARILY STOPPED IN-PERSON DANCING. CONTACT THE GROUP FOR CURRENT STATUS.**

## Federation Clubs

**>>Bay Osos Folk Dancers:** Tue 1:00-3:00. South Bay Community Center, 2180 Palisades Ave, **Los Osos**. 818-203-5812 wburke.dance@gmail.com Billy Burke, BayOsosFolkDancers.org.

**>>\*Cabrillo Folk Dancers:** Tue 7:00-9:30 (Beg 7-8). Balboa Park. Balboa Park Club, 2144 Pan American, **SAN DIEGO**. (858) 459-1336 gbsham@gmail.com Georgina. sites.google.com/site/cabrilodancers

**>>Cerritos Folk Dancers:** Tue 6:00-8:45 on zoom. 2nd, 4th Thu 1:30-4:30 at Cerritos Senior Center, 12340 South St, **CERRITOS**. (562) 865-8854 chiangwenli@yahoo.com Wen Chiang

**>>Conejo Valley Folk Dancers:** Wed 7:30-9:30. Conejo Rec Center, 403 W Hillcrest Dr, **THOUSAND OAKS**. 805-501-9810 marionmiller601@gmail.com Marion Miller

**>>Fantasy Folk Dance Club:** Sun 3:00 - 7:00. St Thomas Aquinas Church, 1501 S Atlantic Blvd, **MONTEREY PARK**. tiggerbyc@yahoo.com (626) 688-9245 Sophie Chen.

**>>Int'l Folk Dance Club - Laguna Woods:** Tue 10:00am-12:00. Clubhouse 1, 24232 Calle Aragon, **LAGUNA WOODS**. (949) 939-0604 MarilynMichael829@gmail.com Marilyn Michael Yurk. First-time dancers call Marilyn for gate clearance .www.lagunawoodsvillage.com/amenities/clubs/dance-club-international-folk

**Kypseli Greek Folk Dancing:** www.kypseli.org xorepse@gmail.com

**>>Laguna Int'l Dancers:** Sun 6:00-8:30 on zoom. Wed 5:00-7:00 at Clubhouse 2, 24112 Moulton Pkwy, **LAGUNA WOODS**. (949) 770-7026 7kahnmiriam@gmail.com Miriam Kahn www.lagunainternationaldancers.com

**>>Narodni Int'l Folkdancers:** Thu 8:00-10:00. Woman's Club of Bellflower, 9402 Oak St, **BELLFLOWER**. (562) 881-9504 julithilona@gmail.com Julith Neff www.narodni.org

**>>Pasadena Folk Dance Co-op:** Fri 7:30-9:30. Altadena Community Church, 943 E Altadena Dr, **Altadena**. 626-808-0361 mari2@workableeconomics.com Mari Werner www.pasadenafolkdancecoop.org

**>>Prescott Int'l Folkdancers:** Sun 2:00-4:00. Prescott Boys & Girls Club, 335 East Aubrey St, **PRES-COTT, AZ**. (928) 925-8995 Dick Weston Prescott.intl.folkdancers@earthlink.net. http://www.prescottinternationalfolkdancers.org/

**>>Rainbow Senior Club:** Sun 3:00-6:00. Joslyn Senior Center 210 N. Chapel Ave, **ALHAMBRA**. (626) 456-1900 ksun310@yahoo.com Kevin Sun

**Solvang Village Folk Dancers:** Sat 6:00-8:00 (except 3rd Sat). Buellton Recreation Center, 301 2nd St, Buellton. 3rd Sat 1:30-3:30. Corner Alisal & Copenhagen, Solvang (805) 688-3397 dlh4362@gmail.com David Heald www.svfolkdance.com

**Tuesday Gypsies:** is now Westside Folkdancers

>>**Ventura Int'l Folkdancers:** Tue&Thu 2:15-3:30.  
Ventura YMCA, 3760 Telegraph Rd, **Ventura.**  
(805) 746-0884 dancing.valerie@gmail.com Valerie Daley

**Veselo Selo Folkdancers:** CLOSED FOR NOW Sat  
7:30-9:30. ~~Unitarian Church, 511 S. Harbor, ANAHEIM.~~  
~~HEM.~~ (949) 767-7173 ms.winokur@yahoo.com  
Shana Winokur.  
Www.VeseloSeloFolkDancers.com

>>**Vintage Israeli Dancing:** One Sat per month  
8:16-12:00. Anisa's School of Dance, 14252 Ventura Blvd, **SHERMAN OAKS.** jrbythec@aol.com Jim Rothman. www.vintageisraelidancing.org

>>**West Valley Folk Dancers:** Fri 2:00-4:00. Canoga Park Sr. Ctr. 7326 Jordan Ave. **Canoga Park.**  
(818) 368-1957. jaymichtom@yahoo.com. Jay Michtom. Wwww.WestValleyFolkDancers.org.  
Vaccination proof & masks.

**Westchester Lariats:** Mon 4:00-9:00. Westchester Townhouse, 8501 Emerson Ave, **LOS ANGELES.**  
(310) 645-2423 heikeat@aol.com Heike Sussman.  
Www.WestchesterLariats.org

>>**Westside Folkdancers:** Tue 7:45-10:15. Masonic Lodge, 9635 Venice Blvd, **CULVER CITY.** (310) 391-7382 sandyhelperin@icloud.com Sandy Helperin

**Westwood Coop:** is now Westside Folkdancers

## Exhibition Groups

**Karpatok Hungarian Folk Ensemble:** Wed 8:00.  
United Hungarian House, 1975 Washington, **LOS ANGELES.** (805) 341-9640 sissykf@earthlink.net  
Sissy Keresztes-Fischer.  
Www.KarpatokFolkEnsemble.com

**Krakusy Polish Folk Dance Ensemble:** Tue 7:30-9:30 Sat 2:20-4:20. Polish Parish Hall, 3424 W Adams Blvd, **LOS ANGELES.** (626) 827-7338  
elistarr@yahoo.com Elizabeth Romuzga.  
Www.krakusy.com

**Scandia Dancers:** Tue 7:00-10:00. Woman's Club, **BELLFLOWER.** (714) 356-7745  
sholzman1@verizon.net Stefanie Holzman

**UCSB Middle Eastern Ensemble:** Tue 7:00-10:00.  
Gehringer Music Bldg, UCSB Campus, **SANTA BARBARA.** (805) 729-6453 scottmarcu@aol.com  
Scott Marcus

## Non-Federation Clubs

**Cafe Aman:** 2nd Sat 7:00-11:30. Teach 7:30-8:30  
LA DanceFit Studio, 10936 Santa Monica Blvd, **WEST LA,** ianpricebey@gmail.com, madelyntaylor@hotmail.com

**Caltech Folkdancers:** Tue 7:30. Caltech Campus, Dabney Hall, parking on California Blvd. or Throop Church, 300 Los Robles, **Pasadena.** (626) 797-5157 Nancy Milligan

**Claremont Israeli Dancers:** Mon 7:00-10:00 Masonic Lodge, 272 W. 8th St, **CLAREMONT.** (909) 921-7115 Yael

**Desert Dancers:** Thu 7:00-9:00 Nov-April. Hi Desert Dance Center, 725 S. Gateway St, **RIDGECREST.** (760) 371-5669 Nora Nuckles

**Desert Int'l Folk Dancers:** Thu 7:00-9:00 Nov-Apr. Step by Step Dance Studio, 316 N Palm Canyon, **PALM SPRINGS.** (760) 342-1297 Helen Smith

**Folk Dance Center:** Every Evening. Oasis Wellness Center, 5500 Grossmont Center Dr, **La Mesa.** (619) 466-4043, www.folkdancecenter.org

>>**\*Foothill Folk Dancers:** Thu 7:30-9:30. Community Center, 4469 Chevy Chase Dr., **LA CAÑADA** (818)790-8523 JanRayman@charter.net  
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**Israeli Dancing-James Zimmer:** Tue 8:00-12:00. Westside JCC, 5870 W Olympic, **L.A.** (310) 284-3638 James Zimmer [Israelidance@yahoo.com](mailto:Israelidance@yahoo.com)

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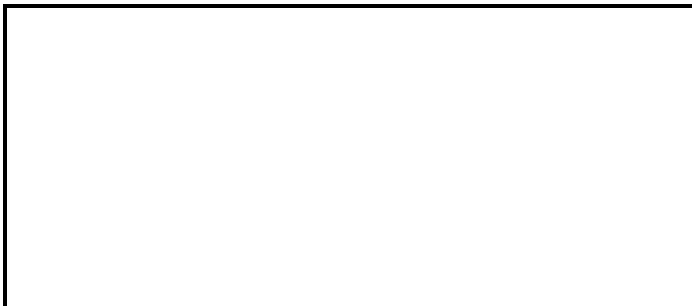
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