# 1968 SANTA BARBARA FOLK DANCE CONFERENCE

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# (The Invitation )

This is a North Ocetian Dance of lyrical character. A feature of this dance is the great restraint with which it is done and its rigid manner during the execution of the dance.

MUSIC: Record: Aman 1002 6/8 Tempo

STYLING: The woman dances, "like a great soaring white bird". She moves herself flowingly, with a slightly bent head; moving her arms softly and placifly. Her eyes look straight ahead and only now and then does she throw a glance at the Man.

The dance style of the man is strong willed and energetic; movements are executed precisely, with great attention focused upon the woman.

FORMATION: This arrangement is for four couples

Arm Movement: M-Initial pos of hands is down at their sides in a loose fist with thumb to the front.

Meas 1- Bending R arm at the clbow, bring it to a R angle and turn the fist so that the palm is to the floor (ct 1); Lower the hand to waist level (cts 2,3)

Meas 2- Turn hand so little finger is to floor and palm is to L (ct 1); lower hand to initial pos (cts 2-3)

On the next meas, do the same with the L hand

W-- Initial pos of hands is down at sides. Hands open, fingers tog and palms to the rear.

Meas I- Move R hand slightly away from the body and turn hand CW. Bring palm slightly upward (ct I); Turn hand CCW, return to orig pos

Body Movement: The bodies of both M and W during the entire dance remain smartly pulled up and motionless.

STEPS: BASIC STEP: Beg pos of ft. 6th pos 6/8 time

Meas 1- Step onto R to front on 1/2 point (ct 1); Bring L to R and transfer wt (ct 2); Pause (ct 3)

Pause (ct 6)

<u>KEY STEP:</u> Start ain 6th pos (takes 4 meas)
Meas 1- Step to front on R toe (1/2 point) (ct 1); L lifts from floor (ct 2);
Step to front onto L toe (1/2 point) (ct 3)

Meas 2- R lifts from floor (ct 1); Step to front onto R toe (ct 2); Bring

L to R toe (ct 3)

Meas 3-- Step to rear onto L toe (ct 1): R lifts from floor (ct 2); Step to rear onto R toe (ct 3);

Meas 4-- L lifts from floor (ct 1); Step to rear onto L toe (ct 2); Bring R to L toe (ct 3)

The first step to the front and the first step to the rear are greater than the following two steps. Arms as in the basic step.

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STEP ON HALFPOINT Start in 6th position

Meas 1- Step to front onto R (on 1/2 point) (ct 1); step to front onto
L (on 1/2 point (ct 2); lowering arms

STEP TO THE SIDE

Meas 1- Step to front onto R (on 1/2 point) (ct 1); Carry L begind R (ct 2);

Step to rear onto L (on 1/2 point) slightly behind R (ct 3)

Meas 2; Place R in line (tog) with L (ct 1); Carry L in front of R (ct 2);

Step across front of R onto L (ct 3)

Arms are as in Basic Step.

FORMATION: Dancers stand one hehind other in last R wing. M are in front; then 4 W. (Stage directions are from audience point of view)

PATTERN 6/8 time ENTRANCE (16 meas) Performed to first section of music FIGURE I Meas From R rear wing, doing the "Basic Step", one after another, 4 M enter 1-8 and go diag line to the lower L side of stage. On the 1st 2 meas, 1st M enters, 2nd M on 2nd 2 meas, 3rd on 3rd 2 meas, 4th on 4th 2 meas. On the last 1/4 of the 8th meas, each M stands facing the audience in direction of the R upper stage (to girls) From R rear wing, doing same "Basic Step", one after the other, 4 W 9-16 enter, every two meas the same as M. They move to a line ending with a ptr on the MR side, and with the WR side to the M. While the W are entering, the M doe "Key Step" in place and look at each W as she passes. ( DIAGRAM # 1) \*Begin 2nd part of music FIGURE II (48 meas) M and W , each con turn in the "Basic Step" CW, ending R side to R side 1-8 (DIAGRAM # 2) On the last 1/4 of the 8th meas, they turn to face each other and in so doing form 2 lines. M and W in cpls do "Key Step" advancing to R so that L shldrs approach 9 each other. Do 2nd part of the "Key Step" and return to place 10 Dolkst part of "Key Step" advancing to L, so that R shidrs approach 11 each other. Do 2nd part of "Key Step" and return to place. 12 Repeat 9-10 meas , and on last 1/4 of 16th meas, all turn to face the 13-16

and do "Key Step"

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down L of the stage.

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W doing "Basic Step", go one after another twd down L stage and then

turn to R, head twd the upper L wing. (SEE DIAG # 3) W stay in piece a

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- W move across back of stage with "Basic Step". M start after W moving to down L stage and then twd L rear wing.
- 33-40. Ist W turns to her L and reverses the direction of motion so that she and the rest of W following, move across upper rear of stage to L.

  M pass the W on their R side as they move across the stage to R upper wing (DIAG # 4)
  - M move to R side of stage in a line and W move to L side in a line.
    On the last 1/4 of the 48th meas, they all face to ctr of stage.
  - FIGURE III (64 meas) (Walk couples) Beg 4th part of music 1-0 meas lst M and Lst W move two each other doing "Basic Step" until they face each other at front ctr stage. The remaining M and W do "Key Step: in place. (DING # 5)
  - 5-8 All do "Key Step" with center cpls facing each other, the ones on the sides do "Key Step" diag to front
  - 9-16 lst cpl do "Key Step" moving to rear of stage, and moving lst to L shldrs and then to R shldrs. Others continue doing "Key Step" diag to front. (4th part of music repeats)
  - 1-4 1st cpl turns and moves to their respective lines doing "Basic Step", 2nd cpl moves to front ctr stage facing each other doing "Basic Step"
  - 5-16 Repeat as the 1st cpl did for above meas.
  - 1-16 5th part of music beg: 3rd cpl do as the 1st cpl did.
  - 1-16 . 5th part of music repeats 4th cpl do as 1st cpl did., except they take the 15th and 16th meas to move to respective lines.

# FIGURE IV 32 meas (walk lines) 1st part of music begins

- 1-8 Both lines doing "Step on 1/2 Point) move to ctr of stage (DIAG # 6)
- 9-16. Continue the "Stop on 1/2 Point" each executes a turn in place with W turning CW, M turning CCW
  After finishing the turn they end facing ctr. W extends her R arm to side, palm down, on a level with with the shidr. L arm is held across chest with palm down, fingers tog, at shidr ht. M are symm, opp, but with hands elemened in-loose fists.
- 1-16 \* Begin 6th part of maric Doing the "Step on Half Point" all turn and move to stage front, and split, with M going to stage R and W to L. Each side moves to the middle sides of stage along theri respective slides and then across the middle of the stage until 1st two meet in the ctr. (DIAG # 7))

FIGURE V meas (Turns and step around)

1-4 All do "Key Step in place

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5-8	Leading W and M assume a pas to R of each other i.e. M facing stage L and W on his R facing stage L. They burn CW doing "Basic Step" one complete turn and end with 1st W facing 2nd M, and 1st M facing 2nd
	W (DIA 3 # 8). The other dancers do "Key Step" in place.

- All do "Key Stop" in place 9-12
- 1st M and 2nd W. also 1st W and 2nd M repeat the turn as in 5th-8th 13-16 meas. (DUVE # 5) The others do "Key Step" in place.
- \*Pegia 6th part of music ---- All do "Key Step" in place 1-4
- Center three sets do turn as in 5-7 mans Le. #1 M and #3 W, #2 M 5-8 and #2 W: #3 M and #1 W. #4 W and #4 M do "Key Step" in place
- All do "Key Step " in place 9-12
- All coopies do tum as in \$-8 meas-13-16
- Repeat Meas 1 46 17-32

- TIGURE VI [42 meas] (line walk and end \*Start ls: part of music 1-16 All in a line facing each other do "Key Step" alternating L and R in theri appreach to each other. While this is going on, the whole line moves to the rear of the stage (EMAG # 10)
- \*Popout 1st part of music 1-8 All term and move fwd to stage front doing " "hopeen Welf Point" with Win front of M. (DIAC # 13)
- All turn over R shidr CW and move to year of stage with backs to 9-1€ audience, M in fruct of W doing "Step on Half Point" When they reach rear of stage they again turn to face audience but now they at the alines.
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