

SAN DIEGO FOLK DANCE CENTER



October
2011



At Dancing Unlimited

4569 30th Street, San Diego, CA 92116

Message phone: 619-281-5656

www.folkdancecenter.org

SCHEDULE

CALENDAR*

Monday:

6:30-8:30 P.M.

International Folk Dancing

with Vicki Maheu
\$ Donation.

Oct 1st Closed due to special event. See Other Events on back page.

Tuesday:

7:00-8:00 P.M.

Beginning

8:00 P.M.

Intermediate

followed by

open dancing

until 11:00 P.M.

Israeli Dancing

with Dalya Dallal. circle,
partner and line dances.
\$7 - non-FDC members
\$6 - FDC \$40 members
\$5 - FDC \$150 members
\$5 - students; \$3 - children

Oct 2nd Israeli Partner Dance, 8 – 11:30 pm. Mostly couple dances with some teaching. \$8

Oct 8th Balkan Singing with Mary Ann Downs, 7:30 – 8:30. Learn and practice the songs to some of your favorite Balkan dances. Followed by regular International Folk Dancing

Wednesday:

9:00 – 11:00 A.M.

International Folk Dancing

with Vicki Maheu,
\$ Donation

Oct 15th Live Bulgarian Dance Music with Donka Koleva and band 'Bulgarika', 8:00 pm. Always a hit. Please bring a snack to share.

7:30-10:00pm

Scandinavian Dance

Dave & Margaret
Walker & Margaret Fillius
\$6 / \$4 / Free

\$12 / \$10 / \$8

For Bios, on band members goto:

<http://balkandance.net/bulgarika/>

1st & 3rd Wed.

2nd & 4th Wed.

Thursday

10:00 a.m.- 12:00 noon

International Folk Dancing

with Mary Marshall
\$3 – non members
\$2 - \$40 members
Free - \$150 members



Friday:

7:30 – 10:00 P.M

Mostly Greek Dancing

open request dancing
Saturday admissions apply
Teaching during 1st hour

Oct 29nd Bulgarian Dance Workshop with Ivan Dimitrov & Dance Party, 6:30 pm. This workshop and party is being

sponsored by the local Bulgarian community group. And with this being the Halloween weekend, it would be appropriate to wear a Folk or Halloween costume.

Please bring a snack to share. \$10

See Bio on back and at: www.ivandance.com/

Saturday:

7:30 – 11:00 P.M.

International Folk Dancing

Open request dancing
\$6 - non members
\$4 - \$40 members
Free - \$150 members

Scheduled Teachers:

Please check your email for any additions to the calendar!

Oct 22

TBD

Teaching during 1st hour if no other event is scheduled

* Saturday night admission applies unless otherwise stated

Dedicated to the Preservation of Folk Dancing Around the World

The Folk Dance Center (FDC) is a non-profit organization of amateur dancers with a common interest in folk dances from around the world. The FDC seeks to increase understanding of world folk dance and to preserve this rich resource for future generations. Membership is open to all. Membership includes discounts on folk dance events and regular evening folk dancing at the FDC, notices of folk dance activities, and a monthly newsletter. Memberships: Full \$150, Partial \$40. Make checks payable to: Folk Dance Center. All donations, including memberships, are tax deductible.

UPCOMING & Other EVENTS

- Oct 1** Dromia will be playing at St. Spyridon Church as part of a fundraiser for the Greek Youth Dance/Choral group that competes in Southern California (in 2012 in Anaheim) every Feb. **For tickets, call 619-733-9597**
- Nov 12** Eastern Exposure Band will be playing at Café Aman (in LA)
- Dec** Serbian dance workshop with Bata Marcetec



Ivan brings to young people a new vision of world music and dance, that which has not yet been experienced in the Greater Washington area. The complex rhythms and infectious styling of music from the various regions of Bulgaria grab audiences and delight them from the start.

Ivan owns more than 700 costumes, all of which are colorful and intricately embroidered and woven, and represent each geographical region. The music and costumes come together and meld into the beautifully choreographed dances that Ivan has composed and staged.

In his native Bulgaria, Ivan organized and ran a company of seventy and a children's school and performing group. To this day, his main interest and one of his goals is in the development of children and the opening of their minds and hearts to the beauty of Bulgarian culture.

IVAN DIMITROV

Bulgarika (“things Bulgarian”) play virtuosic, high-energy folk music from the cultural crossroads nation of Bulgaria. Band leader Nikolay Kolev is one of the finest gadulka (bowed fiddle) players of his generation, and he plays with singer Donka Koleva and renowned accordionist Ivan Milev. The traditions that fuel Bulgarika’s repertoire come from villages where folk songs, tunes, and techniques are handed down through generations, and weddings are important musical and cultural events. The group translates these traditions into dynamic, unforgettable performances.

Bulgarika Band Members



Ivan Milev (accordion) is a landmark figure of contemporary Balkan folk music. Throughout his 40-plus year career in Bulgaria he established new boundaries for the Bulgarian/Balkan folk repertoire. His style fuses classical, jazz, Eastern European and Middle Eastern elements. Milev himself hails from a clan of well-known musicians and learned the intricacies of Bulgarian music from his father. In 1978 Ivan created his own orchestra, performing at festivals, concerts and on national television. His playing and charisma has won him many awards and wide popularity. In 2001 Ivan toured the US with the world-renowned saxophonist Yuri Yunakov. Ivan's playing can be heard on the soundtrack of "Everything is Illuminated", an acclaimed independent movie featuring the actor Elijah Wood. In 2006 Ivan and his band recorded their debut album "The Flight of Krali Marco".



Nikolay Kolev (gadulka) graduated from the prestigious Musical Folklore High School in Shiroka Luka, Bulgaria. He is considered one of the foremost gadulka players in the world. In 1985 he formed the wedding ensemble Rozova Dolina and in 1992 the prize-winning ensemble Balkanski Glasove. Nikolay has accompanied many well-known singers, including Vulkana Stojanova, Roumen Rodopski and Todor Kozhuharov.



Donka Koleva (vocals) also graduated from the Musical Folklore High School in Shiroka Luka and performed for three years with the Sliven Ensemble for Folk Songs and Dances. She was the director of the Folk Song Chorus of Sopot and has been a featured soloist on Bulgarian Radio and Television. She has participated in many singing competitions in Bulgaria and Europe. Her voice has been featured on numerous recordings and in 1997 her recording of *Javore* was named "Song of the Year" in the Bulgarian national radio competition.



Maria Koleva (vocals) is a graduate of the Musical Folklore High School in Shiroka Luka. The daughter of Nikolay and Donka, she is a fine singer in her own right and made her first recording with Bulgarian National Radio earlier this year. Born in 1982 in Thrace, she started singing at age 10 and made her first stage appearance at age 11. As a student at Shiroka Luka, she received honors and musical awards including top prizes at the Teen Folk Music Festival at Albena and recognition at the Chirpan and Plovdiv Music Festivals in 1996 and 1997. A resident of New York City, she also performs with Ivan Milev and other noted Bulgarians in New York. She has been recognized for her great expressive singing and truly melodic and rich tone as well as her stunning performances of Thracian songs.