## **VAC Interesting News**

**Boulder International Folk Dancers (BIFD),** a non-profit corporation, has been a long standing member and avid supporter of the Village Arts Coalition. BIFD hosts an international folk dance every Friday night at the Pearl Street Studio, with teaching from 7:30 to 8:30 pm followed by open dancing which continues on till 11:00 pm. We welcome new dancers warmly, and encourage those who have never danced before as well as those who have enjoyed other types of dance to join us and try something new. No experience is necessary and no partners are needed. The dances include line and circle formations, along with couple dances and some sets as well. Many of the BIFD favorites are from the Balkan Peninsula, including Bulgaria, Romania, Macedonia, Greece, Serbia, and Croatia. But in addition to these, there are dances from such far flung areas as Scandinavia, the Middle East, Africa, Central Europe, Asia, South and Central America, French Canada, and even the United States. The variety of dance and music that one gets to experience is without bounds! The evening's dance program is sure to be quite varied, and will include easy as well as more challenging and complex dances. There is something for everyone!

In order to keep the "old" dances alive within our group, BIFD has an Oldie Goldie night every 5th Friday. In addition to our weekly dances, the BIFD also hosts some special events throughout the year. The annual BIFD New Years Day dance party at the Avalon Ballroom is a favorite among not only the group's members but of the broader dance community as well. Come prepared to have a great time and to experience some high energy dancing.

Our parties don't end there: we have an annual Halloween party with costumes and "Dances in Disguise" where the programmer puts on different music to the dances we know. And at least once a year we bring in a band for the experience of dancing to live music.

Another favorite BIFD event is our annual weekend workshop, which is typically held in late winter or early spring. This is an event where the group hosts an out of town dance teacher(s) for an intensive weekend of teaching sessions, an evening dance party, and a final review of all the new material introduced over the weekend. In past years, BIFD has hosted Yves Moreau teaching dances of Bulgaria and French Canada, Michael Ginsburg teaching dances from Macedonia, Bulgaria and Rom communities, Joe Graziosi teaching dances of Greece, Lee Otterholt teaching dances from the Balkan countries, Kovacs teaching Hungarian dances, just to name a few. These weekend workshops offer dancers an opportunity to learn new material from experts in their fields, many of whom have done first hand research into the dances of these regions, have directed performing ensembles, and have taught at national and international dance camps and workshops.



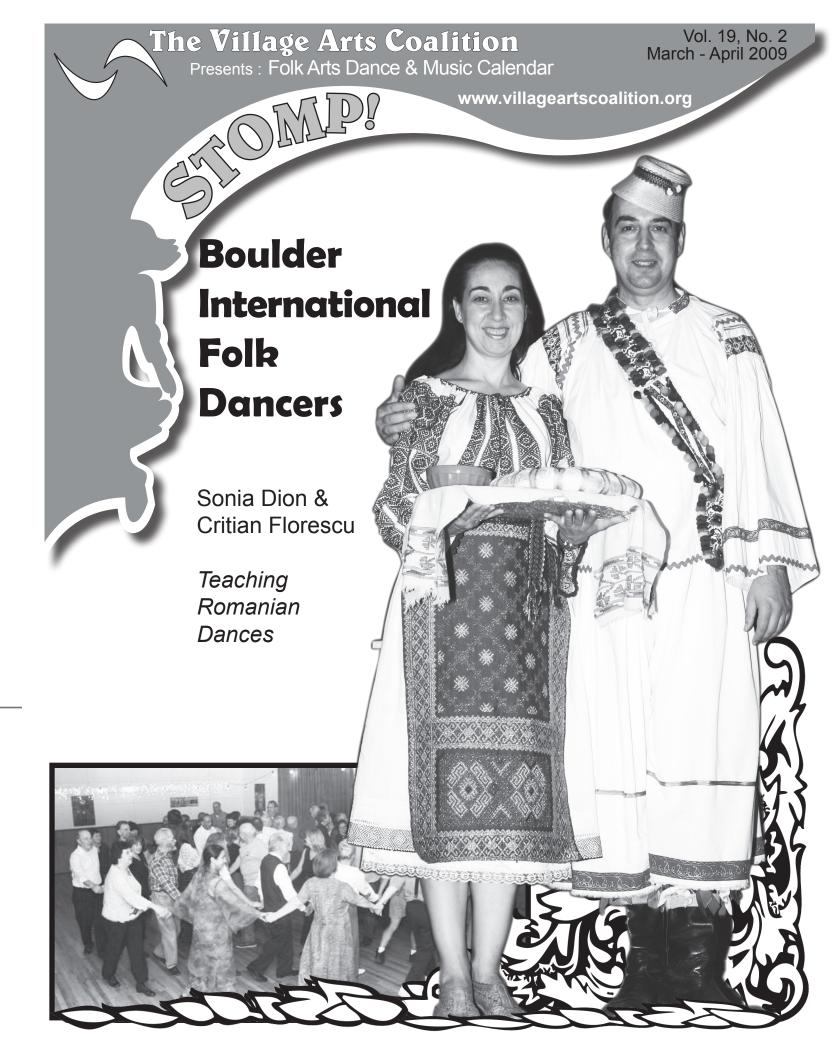
This year on May 8, 9, and 10, BIFD is excited to welcome Sonia Dion and Critian Florescu who will be teaching dances from their native country of Romania. See more details under Special Events in this STOMP! issue.

For Boulder International Folk Dancers, dancing is a passion. Showing up at dance on Friday nights, regardless of how tired we are, the music is always uplifting and we get re-energized quickly. For the group members who don't have a family nearby – our fellow dancers are our family, for better or for worse...For example, during the holidays we always make sure to have a party for those who can't spend time with their loved ones.

For more information about BIFD visit our website at www. BoulderIFD.org or call ilana (303)449-2381 or e-mail her at ilana.baror@bvsd.org.

Submitted by Ilana Baror





## **Village Arts Coalition Member Groups**

- ★ American Vernacular Dance (AVD)
- ★ Arkansas Valley Music & Dance **★** Boulder Hungarian Workshop
- **★** Boulder International Folk Dancers (BIFD)
- \* Boulder Israeli Dancers
- **★** Boulder Scandinavian Dancers (BSD)
- ★ Calico & Boots Square Dancers
- ★ Colorado Friends of Cajun/Zydeco Music & Dance (CFCZ)
- ★ Colorado Friends of Old Time Music and Dance (CFOOTMAD)
- **★** Colorado Morris Dancers
- \* CSU Scottish Arts Club

- ★ Denver Area Folk Dancers (DAFD)
- ★ Folk Dancers Investor Group
- ★ Friends of Traditional Dance (FoTD)
- ★ Hoofin' High Country Cloggers
- \* Hora Romaneasca Romanian Dancers
- ★ The Moon Festival
- ★ Las Tres Muieres
- \* Little London Assembly
- ★ Lloyd Shaw Foundation
- ★ Pikes Peak Scottish Country Dancers
- ★ Pikes Peak Traditional Dance
- ★ Planina: Songs of Eastern Europe
- ★ Postoley Dance Ensemble

- \* Ruby Dancers
- **★** Scandinavian Dance Class
- **★** Scottish Country Dancers of Colorado
- **★** Storm Mountain Folk Dancers
- \* Storysmith
- \* Swingin' Seven
- ★ Tango Colorado
- **★** Tom Masterson/ Danceophile Studio
- **★** U.S.A.Dance Rocky Mountain Chapter
- ★ Westminster Old Time Community Dance
- **★** Winter Solabration Society
- ★ Watch Your Step

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For info about joining the VAC, contact Stan Wilkes at sgwilkes@csd. net or 303-233-3474. For information regarding The Village Arts Coalition Festival, please contact Hermine Higgins at 303-440-8303 or avalon@ villageartscoalition.org. The VAC's central phone/fax number is: 303-440-8303 (Avalon). Call this number or email scheduling@boulderdancespace.com to book The Ballroom at the Avalon - 6185 Arapahoe Ave. in Boulder. To book The Pearl Street Studio - 303.443.7538 - 2126 Pearl St. in Boulder or email. Visit www.boulderdancespace.com for facility availability information.

## The Village Arts Coalition

VAC Meeting Date: Jan19 & Feb 16, 2009 BOARD NOTES 1. A report on the newly installed dance floor section on the west portion of the Ballroom was submitted with thanks to all volunteers. 2. Further planning for Ingvar Sodal's party on February 21 was discussed.

3. The board voted to move forward with purchasing a portion of Stan Wilkes'

4. The 2nd dance space at the Avalon will henceforth be known as "Sodal Hall," honoring Ingvar Sodal for his multitude of contributions to the dance community.

5. The Avalon floor is complete thanks to two successful work parties. And look for the colorful newly painted walls.

VAC Board members: Melba Shepard(P), Robert Schaedla(V-P), Susan Reisser(S), Deborah Howard(T), Jane Bunin, Willard Crary, Betty England, Steward Hartman, Carla McKenna, Chuck Palmer, Dave Sander, Marshall Shapiro, Caroline Stepanek, Anne Vickery, and Stan Wilkes

### **Performing Groups**

Boulder Scandinavian Dancers: Erica Rice 303-442-7689

Calico & Boots, American Folk Dancers: Jim Barnett 303-651-0797

Halau Hula O Na Mauna Komohana: "Pumehana" Paisner 303-447-9772 www.oconnor.gs/halau.html

Hoofin' High Country Cloggers: Ken Horwege 303-364-2278

Hora Romaneasca - Dances of Romania: Mihail Codrescu 303-494-5640

Lloyd Shaw Foundation: www.lloydshaw.org

Maroon Bells Morris Dancers: Robin Smith 303-651-0909

www.maroonbellsmorris.org

One World Folk Dancers: Beverly Elinoff 303-322-8257

Planina: Songs of Eastern Europe: Julie Lancaster 303-733-1120

Postoley Dance Ensemble: Dances from Eastern Europe:

Tom Masterson 303-499-6363 www.postoley.org

Scottish Country Dancers of Colorado: Bob Burnham. 303-431-6870 meineadair@earthlink.net

Sherefe: Music of the Middle East & Eastern Europe: James Hoskins 303-939-8702

Silk Road Middle Eastern Dance Theater: Natasha Carqill 303-772-4267 or silkraod59@aol.com

Storm Mountain Folk Dancers: Wendi Kiss 970-663-5508

StorySmith: Susan Marie Frontczak 303-442-4052

Trolls: Scandinavian musicians – Erica Rice 303-442-7689

Village Dancers: multi-ethnic folk dancers: Anne Vickery 303-499-3001

Swingin'Seven: Big Band Swing and Traditional Jazz. Dave McLoughlin 303-413-0037(day) 303-443-9673(eve)

Watch Your Step! Vintage Dance Vignettes. Contact Dorothy Vernon 303-443-9415

## Locations

Boulder AV - Ballroom at the Avalon 6185 Arapahoe Ave., Unit B, Boulder

CDC - Community Dance Collective 2020B 21st Street, Boulder behind the Kwal Paint & Futon stores at corner of 21st & Pearl

**DS - Danceophile Studio** 250 31st Street, Boulder off Moorhead

**EBCC - East Boulder Comm. Center** 5660 Sioux Drive, Boulder

KaKS - Kakes Studios 2115 Pearl St., Boulder behind Kwal Paint & Futon stores at corner of 21st & Pearl.

PSt - Pearl Street Studio 2126 Pearl St., Boulder E. of 21st St, S. side of street

PEH - Pre Eminence Hall

#### Denver

BCC - Berkeley Community Church 3701 W. 50th Ave. (near Regis)

DT - Denver Turnverein 1570 Clarkson St., Denver 8 blocks East & 1 block North of Capitol Building

**HEA - Hebrew Educational Alliance** 3600 S. Ivanhoe St., Denver SW of Hampden & I-25

HIC - Heritage Irish Center 1946 S. Quebec, Denver

**HMC - Highlands Masonic Center** 3550 N Federal Blvd. Denver

MC - Mercury Café 22nd & California, Denver

**SRC - Scheitler Recreation Center** 

SHM - Swallow Hill Music Association 71 E. Yale, Denver Between Broadway & Lincoln

WMC - Warren United Methodist Church 1630 F 14th Ave Denver

WPMC - Washington Park United Methodist Church 1955 E. Arizona Ave., Denver corner of South Race & East Arizona

#### **Fort Collins**

TICO - Club Tico in City Park 1599 City Park Dr, Fort Collins North Shore of City Park Lake

EG - Empire Grange 2306 W. Mulberry, Fort Collins

#### Other Locations

**CCC - Clements Community Center** 1580 Yarrow, Lakewood 1 block North & West of Colfax & 16th

HCC - Hillside Community Center

MGG - Maple Grove Grange 3130 Youngfield, Golden

OFH - Odd Fellows Hall North of 4th & Main, Lyons

**SRS - Silk Road Studio** 59th St. Near Hygiene Rd, Longmont WGH - Westminster Grange Hall

IDI - International Dance Club 2422 Busch Ave., CO Springs

CSSC Colo. Springs Senior Center 1514 N Hancock, CO Springs

## **SWING**

ONGOING

23Skidoo! Events: All events take place at the Mercury Café in Denver. The Mercury Café is completely nonsmoking and provides a full restaurant, bar, coffee bar, and desserts. Ask about our 15 classes for \$50 package! In all of our classes listed below: No partner or experience required, rotation is optional, all ages allowed, wear anything you'd like, comfortable shoes recommended. If you have any questions, please email us at questions@23skidooland.com. Additional info at www.23skidooland.

- Tuesdays: 6 p.m., Beginning Lindy Series; 7p.m., Intermediate Lindy Series; 8 p.m., Dance for only \$5. Tuesdays are the night not to be missed in Denver! The best dancers and the biggest crowd come together to dance the Lindy Hop or East Coast swing to great music. Learn with champion dancers Dan and Tiffiny, who have devoted their lives to sharing great music and dance with as many people as possible. With Dan & Guest DJs! Tuesdays are our most popular night!
- · Thursdays: 6 p.m., Balboa (or other swing dance form); 7 p.m., Intro to East Coast Swing / Jitterbug Series; 8 p.m., Dance for only \$5. Thursdays are a high energy night where you'll find a great mix of slow and fast music, all in the vintage swing vibe. You'll find great swing, jump blues, and all the classic songs of the 20s through the 50s.

Sundays: 5:30 p.m., Teacher's Choice: Take a beginner class in Lindy Hop, Shaq, Balboa, Charleston, Jazz Movement, or other fun dances. Class price is \$1, or \$1-\$5 suggested donation, but all are welcome: 6:30 p.m., Intro to Jitterbug. with National Champs Dan and Tiffany, or one of the members of 23 Skidoo's performance team or other guest artists. 8 p.m. Open dance. Class price is \$1, or \$1-5 suggested donation. Stay for Live Band, only \$6. See Mercury Café for schedule of bands and when they play.

Ft. Collins Swing Nite: 2nd and 4th Fridays from 7-9 p.m. at City Park Center, Ft. Collins. Call Darrick Hildman 970-498-0798 for more info.

Boulder Swing Dance: Swing Dance lessons, Monday & Tuesday nights at 7 p.m. with a new series starting every month. Taught by Shana Worel, John Dyer, Heather Ballew and Dano McKagen at the Kakes Studios, Boulder. Check the website for time changes or cancellations. www.boulderswingdance. com or call 720.929.9618/720.837.9630.

Pearl Street Swing & Blues: 1st and 3rd (& sometimes 5th) Saturday of the month. Intro to Lindy Hop class from 7-8:30 p.m. Dancing from 8:30 'til 1 a.m., with blues after midnight. Admission is \$5, \$10 for the lesson (includes admission to the dance). Held at the Pearl Street Studio, Boulder. For more information, see www. boulderswingdance.com.

CLASSES

Second Saturday Swing with Live Music at the Avalon: Live swing music! 2nd Saturday of the month (see VAC website for changes). Local bands such as the Swingin' Seven, FortJazz Big Band, DU Claimjumpers play music for swing dancing and related forms. Intro dance lesson from 7 to 8 P.M. Music from 8 to 11 P.M. Light refreshments. No partner or prior dance experience required. All ages welcome. Plenty of free parking. Usually \$15 general admission, \$10 students. Avalon Ballroom, Boulder. Hosted by American Vernacular Dance. Info: Jim X. Borzym 303-449-5962. To sign on for email updates, send email address to events@teadance.info. For special notices: villageartscoalition.org. Community Dance Collective. There will be no swing event in March. The series will change to the fourth Saturdays starting in April.

## **Story Telling**

March 15, 2009 - Sunday - Boulder \*Eleanor Roosevelt: This is My Story by Susan Marie Frontczak - Meadows Branch, Boulder Public Library - Free -Reservation required. 303-442-4169

#### **TANGO**

Argentine Tango: dance hosted by Las Tres Mujeres. Every 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month from 6pm to 11pm at the Avalon, 6185 Arapahoe, Boulder. Potluck and wine, very casual. No partner necessary. Admission \$5.00. For more details contact Nancy Primmer at 303-237-9605 or email nlprimmer@ yahoo.com

Argentine Tango Beginner (1pm - 2pm) and Advanced Beginner (12pm - 1pm) lessons every Sunday at the Avalon, 6185 Arapahoe, Boulder. The lessons are from 12pm - 2pm, except the 2nd Sunday of the month when they are from 10am - 12pm. No partner needed. Cost is \$24/month or \$7.00 drop-in. Private lessons are available. For more details please contact Nancy at 303-237-9605 or email nlprimmer@yahoo.com.

Deb Sclar & Brian Dunn Private **Instruction:** Deb and Brian are available for private instruction and presentations that combine dance performance. historical commentary, tango fashion/art/ food and authentic music accompaniment. For more info, visit www.danceoftheheart. com or call 303-938-0716 x2.

EVENTS

Dance of the Heart (DoTH) Milongas: Intro. to Milonga generally on 1st and 3rd Saturday of the month. Class 7-8 p.m. Social dancing starts at 8 p.m. at PreEminence Hall, 3213 Walnut Street, Boulder. \$10 with intro. class, \$7 otherwise. To confirm dates and get more info, call Deb Sclar at 303-938-0716 or visit www.danceoftheheart.com

Milonga Mercurio: Every Friday from 9:30 p.m.-2 a.m. at the Mercury Café, Denver. Beginning class at 7 p.m., intermediate at 8 p.m. Call Marilyn Meginity at 303-294-9281.

Tango Colorado Practicas: Boulder: Every Thursday, Pearl Street Studio Denver: Every Tuesday, Turnverein Class 7-8 p.m., followed by a dance and practice period until 10:30 p.m. Classes are taught by Denver's best local Argentine Tango teachers. Usually, there is a guest Argentine Master once a month at no additional charge. The classes are fundamentals classes, not iust for beginners, but perfect for all who want to begin, to perfect their balance. their connection and their foundation to dance at the most advanced level. Class prices: Members: \$5, nonmembers: \$8. Buy class package at the first of the month and get one class free. Dance and Practica: Members: \$8, nonmembers: \$10 Contact Pat Patton at 303-466-3820, call our hotline at 303-370-9356 or visit our website www.tango.org/dance/ tango Colorado.html.



Notice: The Editor makes no claims as to the accuracy, inclusion or exclusion of events submitted. Please contact each instructor/organizer to confirm each event/class. Thank you.

#### ONGOING CLASSES EVENTS

Scottish Country Dancing: No partner needed for any classes; beginners welcome.

\* Boulder: Sundays 4:30 - 6:30 p.m. at the Pearl St. Studio, Boulder. \$3. Contact Bob 9 Burnham, 303-431-6870 meineadair@earthlink.net.

- \* Denver: Mondays 7-9 p.m. at St. Peter & St. Mary Episcopal Church (2nd & Acoma), \$3.50. Contact Jamie MacKinnon, 303-451-7466, imemack@comcast.net
- \* Ft. Collins: Thursdays 7-9 p.m. at the Worthington, 900 Worthington Circle, free. Contact Jeff Davis at 970-223-7730 pikadavis@msn.com or Jim Sites, 970-223-6013, sites@lamar.colostate.edu
- \* Parker: Thursdays 7-9 p.m. at the Main Street Center, 19650 E. Main Street, \$4/\$3 members. Contact Sam Reynolds (teacher) at 303-805-1446 or sam@SpinwardStars.com
- \* Colorado Springs: Wednesdays 7-9 p.m. at the Gill Foundation, 315 E. Costilla. \$5/month. Contact Joan Bryant at 719-494-0563, bry2890@juno.com or John Crumlin, 719-475-0751 jcrumlin@ecosse. net for info.
- \* Colorado Springs: Pikes Peak Scottish Country Dancers (PPSCD) meet every Wednesday at the International Dance Club (IDC), 2422 Busch Ave, Colo Springs 80904 from 7pm to 9pm. Cost is \$5 per session. Contact Brenda Crane (719) 599-4344

#### **INTERNATIONAL**

Belly Dance Classes: taught by Natasha. For info. & directions call 303-772-4267. See us on the web at www.natashadances.com.

Boulder: Thursdays, 5:30p.m. beginners, 6:30p.m. intermediate at Kakes Studio. Boulder.

Longmont: Mondays, 5:30 p.m. beginners, 6:30 p.m. intermediate, 7:30 p.m. performing; at Silk Road Studio, Longmont (59th St. near Hygiene Road). Call for directions.

### **Denver Area Folk Dancers (DAFD):**

Thursdays, October through May (and during bad weather in the summertime) at Warren United Methodist Church Annex (upstairs), 14th & Gilpin in Denver. Lesson 7-8 p.m., open dancing 8-10:30 p.m. \$4. For more info call Beverly Elinoff at 303-322-8257 or Debby Bowinski at 303-692-8213.

Folk, Ballroom, Swing, Latin, Contra, Character & Performance dance

Private Instruction: Any day, any time. For individuals, groups, parties, wedding receptions & more. Dance choreography to your favorite music. Tom Masterson, 303-499-6363. masterst@colorado. edu, Danceophile Studio, Boulder. www.postoley.org

FOLKDANCING in the Mountains Mondays, 7-9p.m. Nederland Community Center. Fun folkdances from around the world are taught and danced each Monday evening in the mountains in Nederland at the newly remodeled Community Center. [750 Hwy 72: from traffic circle in Nederland, follow Hwy 72 towards Allenspark only 0.6 mi.: turn right into Community Center. Enter thru back door and go upstairs to dance room.] Introductory level, no partner or experience needed. Only \$5. A wonderful way to learn great dances, experience our ethnic & cultural roots, meet lots of new friends, and get in shape, all at the same time! Fabulous wood dance floor. Bring your dance shoes, or wear stocking feet. Great refreshments! Everyone is welcome to join us on any evening. Info: 303 499-6363 or 303 258-3652. Car pool leaves from Boulder (Danceophile Studio) at 6:15 p.m.

Folk Dance Lessons: Sheila Sharpe teaches folk dance at parties, weddings, etc. 303-377-4111.

Hawaiian Hula Classes: HALAU HULA O NA MAUNA KOMOHANA Teaches ongoing Hawaiian Hula and Chant every Thursday night at The Dairy Center for the arts: Boulder Ballet Studio, 27th & Walnut. 7:30pm to 9pm Cost: \$15 for dropins; \$55 for 5week punchcard.

Beginniing Hawaiian hula class resumes Thurs. Jan 15, 2009 from 7:30pm to 9pm Boulder Ballet Studio: at the Dairy Center for the Arts. Boulder - costs: \$15 dropins: \$55 for 5 week punchcards - As part of the April dance month in Boulder, we are sponsoring a FREE workshop on Sunday Apri 19 at same studio from 6:30 to 8pm. This is open to anyone interested in things Hawaiian

Open to men, women, teens who've had some type of dance (not necessarily Hula). Both ancient and modern Hula will be taught, as well as some language, chanting, culture, history and politics. Contact: M Pumehana Paisner, 303 447 9772 or miriampaisner@hotmail.com or www.oconnor.gs/halau.html

Hawaiian, Israeli & Country Western Dance Teacher: Available on call for private or group lessons. For more info call Miriam "Pumehana" Paisner at 303-447-9772 or visit www.oconnor.gs/mp.html.

Hora Romaneasca: Romanian Folkdance Ensemble based in Boulder. Available for performances presenting the rich folk culture of Romania highlighting its dance, music, costumes, and folk arts. Rehearsals currently held on Sundays, starting at 6:30 p.m. at the Grace Lutheran Church, Boulder. Please contact Mihail Codrescu at mihail1@netscape.net or 303-494-5640 if you are interested in attending performances, purchasing authentic Romanian wares or joining the group.

Hungarian Dancing "Tanchaz": Held monthly in Denver. Contact Dave Schmitz at 303-981-8612 for info.

International Folk Dance: Tuesdays. 7:30-10 p.m. Empire Grange, Ft. Collins. For info contact Daryl Keney at 970-223-5362.

Maple Grove Grange Folkdancers: Folk Dance Party & Potluck on 1st Sundays, 1-6 p.m. at the Maple Grove Grange, Golden. Wood floor, potluck. \$3. Contact Jerry Accettura at 303-763-8404 for more info.

#### **ISRAELI**

Boulder Israeli Dance: Sundays at the Pearl Street Studio, Boulder. Teaching 7-8 p.m., open dancing 8-10 p.m. \$5/ session, first time free. Info: Call Skip Ellis at 303-440-9388 or Marshall Shapiro at 303-242-5188.

Israeli Folk Dancing: Beginning, intermediate & advanced instruction and open dancing led by Joan Saliman & Bev Michaels. Beginning classes are held monthly. Tuesdays, 7-10 p.m., at the Hebrew Ed. Alliance, 3600 S. Ivanhoe Street, Denver. \$5 or 5 classes for \$20 (with coupon). For more info call Joan Saliman: 303-671-7131.

#### **SCANDINAVIAN**

Fifth Saturday Bygdedans: Held on the 5th Saturday of months that have them, 8-10:30 p.m., Pearl St. Studio, Boulder, Admission \$5. Info: Eric Meyer, 303-415-1187.

Scandinavian Dance Party: 2nd Saturday of every month at the Pearl St. Studio, Boulder. Live music at most dances. Sponsored by BSD (Boulder Scandinavian Dancers). Open dancing 8-10:30 p.m., \$5. Everyone is welcome: dance or listen. Info: Mike Palmer 303-442-7689 or michael. palmer@mho.com

Scandinavian dancing: every Monday night, Pearl Street Studio, Boulder, \$5. Monday Night Scandinavian Dance group will start its beginning classes. Teaching 7:30 - 8:30pm by Nancy Ellinghaus and Larry Utter, followed by open dancing until 10:15. We usually have live music. For information please contact Nancy. 303-499-7262 or nellinghaus@juno.com.

# SPECIAL EVENTS Richard Planina Presents

Pibana! Sat., April 18, 7:30 p.m.

Libana (www.libana.com) is a women's world music ensemble based in Boston that had its roots as a Balkan women's singing ensemble and has grown, over the past almost 30 years, to include divergent cultural expressions of the Mediterranean, the Balkans, the Middle East, Europe, Africa, Asia and South America--especially as handed down through the artistic traditions of women. Libana performs ancient melodies and contemporary tunes a cappella and with a vast array of instruments including guitar, dumbek, accordion, oud, naggara, clarinet and double bass. Local group Planina -

Songs of Eastern Europe will open for Libana. \$18. Unitarian

Universalist Church of Boulder, 5001 Pennsylvania Ave.

Boulder, CO 80303. Info: 303-329-6242, or www.planina.org.

Powez/Joan Walton Denvez Dance Weekend. April 17-19

Richard and Joan, partnered by Angela Amarillas and Tracey Powers, from the San Francisco Bay Area, return to Colorado for a weekend of workshops in waltz (including new cross-steps), swing, ragtime, and mazurka. Prerequisite: Intermediate partnering dance skills, including comfort with basic turning waltz (though it's ok to be new to the other dances being taught.) Recommended minimum one year social partner dance experience. \$135/person until April 3; \$150 thereafter. Advanced registration only. Sponsored by Marilyn Chartrand and Watch Your Step! Vintage Dance Vignettes performing group. Details and registration at www. mchartrand.com/dance2009. Questions? Contact: Marilyn at marilyn@mchartrand.com,

Rouldez International Folk Dancets invite you to our annual

Dance Workshop with \*Sonia Dion\* and \*Cristian Florescu\* teaching \*Romanian dances\*. Friday May 8th, 7:30 - 10:00 pm teaching followed by open dancing at the Pearl St. Studio, Boulder.

Saturday May 9, 9:00 - 12 pm, 2:00 - 5:00 pm teaching, 7:30 - 10:00 pm workshop party at the Maple Grove Grange, Wheat Ridge. Sunday May 10th, 10:00 - 1:00 pm workshop dances review at Kakes Studio, Boulder. For more information and if you need a place to stay, please contact ilana: (303)449-2381 or ilana.baror@bvsd.org



Bouldez Scandinavian Dancets Spting Workshop

510-749-1439.

March 27-29. Springleik, taught by Tor and Randi Ivar Odnes and Øystein Rudi. Cost is \$110 for the weekend. There will be a concert and dance on Saturday, March 28--7:30 at the Avalon. Cost for this is \$10 if not enrolled in the

spmorris@ecentral.com

303-469-2484

### ONGOING CLASSES & EVENTS

#### **AMERICAN TRADITIONAL**

Arkansas Valley Music and Dance www.avmad.org Salida Contra Dances 3rd Saturdays - January, March, July, October, November Call 719-221-2074 Leadville Contra Dances 4th Friday or Saturday - February, April, June, August, October, December Call 719-486-0260 Salida Old-time Music Jam Last Tuesday of each month at Bongo Billy's Salida Cafe from 6:30-8:30pm - Call 970-309-3175 Dance Instructional Series in Buena Vista, Leadville, or Salida - Twice a year instruction in waltz, salsa, swing, clogging, etc. Call 719-221-2074

Calico and Boots Square Dance Club does squares, contras, and rounds the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of each month at the Pearl St. Studio. The dance begins at 7:30 pm. Cost: \$4.00 per person. For more information contact: Cathy Schlein 303-424-3472

Clogging Classes: Ken Horwege teaches beginning and advanced classes. Call Ken at 303-364-2278. Ongoing classes: Saturday, 10 a.m.-12 noon at Swallow Hill Music Assoc., Denver. Call Swallow Hill for more info or to confirm: 303-777-1003.

Community Dances sponsored by CFOOTMAD (Colorado Friends of Old Time Music and Dance). Live music. Hotline for more info: 303-592-3972 or Website: www.cfootmad.org. \* Westminster Old-Time Community Dance 1st Saturday of the month at 7:00pm.

- \* Community Dance Boulder: 1st and 3rd Fridays at 7:15pm at the Avalon.
- \* **Denver Contra Dance:** 2nd and 4th Fridays at 7:15pm at the Highlands Masonic Center.
- \* Zesty Contra Dance: For experienced dancers, no pre-dance instruction. 2nd Saturdays at 7:00pm at Scheitler Community Center at Berkeley Park in Denver. No lesson beyond the basics, quick walk-throughs and little caller leading.

March 14: music by Southwind, called by Paul Somlo - April 11: music by Balance and Swing, called by Rick Smith. Cost is \$12 for non-members and \$10 for members.

FoTD (Friends of Traditional Dance): Live music. Hotline for more information: 970-493-8277 or website: www.fotd.org. FoTD sponsors contras on 1st, 3rd & 5th Saturdays. Waltz Nights and other dances on 4th Saturdays Regular Dances: \$8.

Free dance instruction 7-8 p.m. Club Tico in City Park in Ft. Collins.

Lyons Old-Time Community Dance Odd Fellows Hall in Lyons. For more info: dances@musicinlyons.com or 303-823-0816.

WHAT: Lyons Old-time Community Dance and Snack Pot-luck

WHEN: Saturday, March 7th, 7-10pm

WHO: Eleanor Fahrney calls with The Cattle Dogs (Dave Brown, Anita Schuneman, Mike Woods, Doug Rippe)

WHERE: Odd Fellows Hall, 4th & High Sts, 1/2 block north of Main, Lyons

COST: \$6/adult, \$3/child/senior, \$12/family

4/4: Streak of Lean (Larry Edelman, Thom Curdts, Ellen Rosenberg)

Musicians' Jams: 4th Sunday of the month from 4 'til 7

p.m. in Denver. Folks with all levels of musicianship and interest in old time music are invited! Contact Patti Rickman at 303-796-9049 or pattidean@earthlink.net for location and directions.

Pikes Peak Traditional Dance: Contra dances 3rd Saturdays, September through May, except December when the dance is held on the 1st Saturday. Dances are held 7:30-10 p.m. with a lesson at 7 p.m. Hillside Community Center, Colorado Springs. Call Nick at 719-473-6935 for further information.

Westminster Old-Time Community Dance: Dances are taught. No partner is needed. 1st Saturdays of the month, 7-10 p.m. Lesson at 7 p.m. Cost: \$6/\$5 member/\$2 children ages 6-15. Held at the Westminster Grange Hall, park on street or in back. Info: 303-592-3972 or westminster@cfootmad.org.

#### **BALLROOM**

Women Learning to Lead Waltz. Ladies! It's fun to learn to lead, and it makes you a better follower as well. Plus, you no longer have to sit out if there is a gender imbalance at a dance event. This class is for women who already know how to waltz and for men and women who would like to learn how to follow. No experience needed to do the follower role. Fun classes taught in a supportive atmosphere with lots of time to practice. Pearl Street Studio, Saturdays, 3-5 PM, \$10 at the door, no partner needed. No fragrances please, some of us are allergic. Exact dates yet to be determined.

If interested, contact Barbara Roach at broach3@juno.com or 303-442-0677.

CFOOTMAD Waltz Dance and Swing: 5th Fridays of the month. From 8pm—11pm. There will be a free Lesson 7:15 p.m. Cost is \$8 for members and \$10 for non-members. An evening of waltzing to the Band "Balance and Swing." You may come alone or bring a partner, but in this relaxed evening people generally dance with a different partner for each dance. Dress can be casual to dressy, vintage to modern! Event held at the Avalon Ballroom, Boulder. \$12/\$10 members. 303-592-3972 or Website: www.cfootmad.org.

Sunday Afternoon Tea Dances: Always live music! Tango, waltz, foxtrot, onestep, or just dance cheek-to-cheek to the original music of American social ballroom dance. The Mont Alto Ragtime and Tango Orchestra performs a wide variety of dance music from the ragtime and tango craze of the 1900s through the early swing of the 1930s. Enjoy an afternoon of delicious dancing to great live music! Dancing 2 - 5 P.M., second Sunday of the month (Sept. through May). Dance lesson included 1:30 – 2 P.M. No partner needed. Refreshments. Dressy attire encouraged, \$18 general admission, \$13 for CFOOTMAD members and students. Avalon Ballroom, Boulder. Sponsored by CFOOTMAD. Hosted by American Vernacular Dance, Info: Jim X. Borzym 303-449-5962 or CFOOTMAD web site. To sign on for email updates, send email address to events@teadance.info. For special notices: www.villageartscoalition.org.

Wednesday Waltz, etc. at the Avalon: Every 2nd and 4th Wednesday, enjoy an evening of sociable couples dancing presented by Frank Vernon & Jim X. Borzym. Traditional and contemporary dance music for Waltz, Cross-Step Waltz, Viennese Waltz, Swing, Foxtrot, One-Step, Two-Step, Blues, Tango, Polka, Schottische, Hambo, Pols, Salsa, Cha-Cha-Cha, and more, Fundamentals are taught at 7 P.M. Intermediate teachings starts at 7:30 P.M. Open dancing from 8:00 to 10:00 P.M, sometimes later. \$7 admission. Avalon Ballroom, Boulder. Hosted by American Vernacular Dance. For information, call 303-443-9415. To sign on for email updates, send email address to events@teadance.info. For special notices: www.villageartscoalition.org.

BALLROOM DANCE CLASSES with Tom Masterson Registration: 303 499-6363 or tom.masterson@colorado.edu or www.danceophile.com

### ONGOING CLASSES & EVENTS

- •Classes March & April, 2009 Classes at the Community Dance Collective, 2020B 21st St., behind Futon store on the northeast corner of 21st & Pearl [from Pearl St., drive into parking area behind Futon store; enter CDC thru glass door near swimming pool]
- •Swing! 5:30-6:45 p.m. Sundays, March 8,15,22,29, April 5 America's most popular dance. Starts with the basics then grooves on to moves that will make you look awesome on the dance floor. Includes many secrets of leading and following. You do not have to bring a partner. Cost \$60 per person, or \$115/couple for entire 5-week class
- •BALLROOM DANCING An Introduction 6:50-8:10 p.m. Sundays, March 8,15,22,29, April 5 Foxtrot, Waltz, Swing, Tango, Polka Great music, fun dancing and wonderful people. Learn the basics, secrets of leading & following, and the joy of dancing together with a partner. No experience needed. You do not need to bring a partner. Cost \$60 per person, or \$115/couple for entire 5-week class
- •Cha-Cha-Cha 8:15-9:30 p.m. Sundays, March 8,15,22,29, April 5 Fun and fabulous Cuban dance. No previous chacha experience needed. You do not need to bring a partner. Cost \$60 per person, or \$115/couple for entire 5-week class. First & Third Wednesdays of each month: February, March, April
- •"STRICTLY BALLROOM" Dance Evenings Wednesdays, March 4,18, April 1,15...7:45-10 p.m. in Boulder at the Pearl Street Studio, 2126 Pearl St.. Swing, waltz, salsa, tango, cha-cha, one-step, 2-step, polka, rhumba + your requests 7:45 p.m.: Instruction! Dancing continues until 10 p.m. No partner needed. Beginners welcome! Great chance to practice. Refreshments. Only \$6



• FOLKDANCING in the Mountains Mondays, 7-9 p.m. Nederland Community Center - Fun folkdances from around the world are taught and danced each Monday evening in the mountains in Nederland at the newly remodeled Community Center. [750 Hwy 72: from traffic circle in Nederland, follow Hwy 72 towards Allenspark only 0.6 mi.; turn

right into Community Center. Enter thru back door and go upstairs to dance room.] Introductory level, no partner or experience needed. Only \$5. A wonderful way to learn great dances, experience our ethnic & cultural roots, meet lots of new friends, and get in shape, all at the same time! Fabulous wood dance floor. Bring your dance shoes, or wear stocking feet. Great refreshments! Everyone is welcome to join us on any evening.

Info: 303 499-6363 or 303 258-3652. Car pool leaves from Boulder (Danceophile Studio) at 6:15 p.m.

• Danceophile Studio Private Dance Instruction in 250 31st Street, Boulder, CO 80305 Ballroom, Swing, Folk, Contra, Country, & Performance www. danceophile.com Individuals, couples, groups, parties, wedding receptions.

Tom Masterson Dance choreography done to your favorite music. 303 499-6363 tom.masterson@colorado.edu www.danceophile.com

#### **CAJUN - ZYDECO**

Cajun Dances sponsored by CFCZ (Colorado Friends of Cajun Zydeco Music and Dance): usually the 4th Sundays at the Mercury Café, Denver with the local zydeco band The Amazing Zydematics. Dances held from 1:30-5:30 p.m. Doors open at 1 pm, complementary dance lesson at 1:30 pm Check the website for details as some monthly dance dates may vary: www.cfcz.org. Info: Dan Willging at 303-745-9577.

#### **CELTIC & ENGLISH**

Colorado Morris now consists of three teams, all of which will start practicing again after the performance season is over, and that means that beginners are welcome. All three teams have danced at the International Festival. Particulars on the teams' practices are:

Maroon Bells Morris dances Cotswold and the occasional longsword dances. It is the longest-standing of the three and you've probably seen us in our whites and ribbons somewhere in the state. Practice is on Wednesdays 7:30-9:30 p.m. in Northglenn.

Breathless in Berthoud is a Border Morris team, the border referring to the one between England and Wales. If you've seen dancers in colorful tatty coats and hats, you've watched Border. Practice is on Thursdays from 7:30 to 9 p.m. in Berthoud.

The Tommyknockers were started in 2002 by children of adults on the Maroon Bells Morris team and have since expanded to any interested kids. No description of the kit is needed - you recognize them by their age. Practice is on an irregular basis in Louisville, so call Nancy at 303-665-9413 for current details. Questions and requests for more information should be directed to Robin at 303-651-0909 or squire@ maroonbellsmorris.org. Please also visit: www.maroonbellsmorris.org

Denver Ceili Club: Come do Irish aerobics in a social setting with Molly Bennett, instructor. Thurs. evenings at 7ish at the Friendship Irish Dance Center, 1944/1946 South Quebec St, Denver. Call 303-750-3510 for more info.

English Country Dance (sponsored by Colorado Friends of Old Time Music & Dance): Experience the Sense & Sensibility of English Country Dance to live music. All dances are taught and walked through; no partner or previous experience needed. Cost: (\$10 with a \$2 discount for CFOOTMAD members). Info: www.cfootmad.org or call 303 321-2262.

Saturday, March 21st, 8:00 - 11:00 p.m., at the Berkeley Community Church, 3701 West 50th Ave in Denver (near Regis). Joan Bryant with music by the Maidens of the Springs.

Saturday, April 18th, 8:00 - 11:00 p.m., at the Berkeley Community Church, 3701 West 50th Ave with Barbara Coeyman, Steve Winograd, and Barb Kirchner.

Funding by SCFD -- Scientific & Cultural Facilities District, which brings to you many cool things, like these dances, many grassroots arts organizations, the Zoo, the Natural History Museum and many other major public facilities that we enjoy.

Little London Assembly - English Country Dance -

Monday Sessions 1:30-3:00pm Colorado Springs Senior Center, 1514 N Hancock, C/S, 80903 - Rates set by the City of COS (approx \$1.50 per session) March 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 April 6, 13, 20, 27

Saturday Sessions, 1:00-3:00pm International Dance Club 2422 Busch Ave, C/S, CO 80904 - March \*7, \*\*28, April 11, 25 \*\*March 28th is the ball. 1-4pm, \$7.00 - \$5.00 per session Contact Joan Bryant (719) 494-0563

Irish Set Dance Class: Time & place in Denver to be arranged. Contact Pat McCullough 303-777-0502 or celticevents@rmi.net.

Sunday

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

7:00 pm Scottish Country Dancing - IDI

7:30 pm Maroon Bells Morris -

Northglenn

Thursday

5:30 pm Belly Dance Classes - KaKS

6:00 pm Skidoo Balboa, Jitterbug - MC

7:00 pm Denver Area Folk Dancers - WMC

Friday

7:00 pm Milonga Mercurio - MC

7:15 pm Community Dance CFOOTMAD Boulder - AV Saturday

3:00 pm Waltz w/Barbara Roach - PSt

10:00 am Clogging Classes with Ken - SHM

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