The Village Arts Coalition Folk Arts Dance & Music Calendar

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PLANINA Songs of Eastern Europe

PLANINA - Songs of Eastern Europe announces our 25th Anniversary Reunion Celebration on Saturday, Oct. 26, at the Avalon Ballroom. We will present a choral concert and Balkan Bash dance party with our guest musician friends and returning alumni, in addition to a light Mediterranean dinner catered by Donald Vukovic, The Baklava Guy.

Planina has come a long way from the tentative little ensemble that performed at the April 1988 Boulder Slavic Festival at the Boulder Elks Club. Some of us had met at a series of house sings and had agreed to work up a few tunes for the Slavic event. After the festival, we just kept rehearsing. Our next performance was at a First of Fall party for the Boulder folk dance community, followed by a big folk music and dance stage show produced by Alex Wilson that November. We were on our way! Soon we were performing for community centers and local festivals under the name Planina Balkan Women's Choir. "Planina" means "mountain" in the southern Slavic languages.

Many members have come and gone since then; three of the original members remain. Although there have been some (wonderful) exceptions through the years, we are mostly not of Eastern European heritage; we just love the music.

Our skills and collective knowledge base have flourished over the years, as members moved away, sang with other groups and returned, and new singers brought in new music and ideas. Since 1999 the men's portion of Planina has numbered 1-4 members (we're currently looking for more guys; contact us if you're interested!), so we changed our name to "Planina: Songs of Eastern Europe."





This is the last issue of the bi-monthly STOMP!. Starting January 1st a new, group oriented quarterly STOMP! will be published.

The Village Arts Coalition (VAC) wants to keep our members better informed on what is happening in our dance and music world.

Our new STOMP! will feature updates on the Avalon and more VAC Board news & messages from our President. We'd like to feature articles from our members and more items of dance interest. We would like you to contribute information, news items and history about your music and dance groups. Tell us about your workshops and special events so we can include those. Groups, please think about articles and photos you would like to feature in future Stomp! issues. Contact stompvac@gmail.com with articles, photos and ideas for issues.

We will continue to list our dance groups but the Dance Calendar will only be published online. It will be easily accessible at: www. villageartscoalition.org.

VILLAGE ARTS COALITION MEMBER GROUPS

- American Vernacular Dance (AVD)
- Arkansas Valley Music & Dance (AVMAD)
- Boulder Hungarian Workshop
- Boulder International Folk Dancers (BIFD)
- Boulder Israeli Dancers
- Boulder Scandinavian Dancers (BSD)
- Boulder Swing Dance
- Boulder Zumba
- Calico & Boots Square Dancers
- Co. Friends of Cajun/Zydeco Music & Dance
- Colorado Friends of Old Time Music & Dance (CFOOTMAD)
- Colorado Morris Dancers
- Colorado Sacred Harp
- CSU Scottish Arts Club

- · Dancin' Divas
- Denver Area Folk Dancers (DAFD)
- Ecstatic Dance
- English Country Dance (Denver)
- Family Dance Planet
- Folk Dancers Investor Group
- Ft. Collins Folk Dancers
- Friends of Traditional Dance (FoTD)
- Hora Romaneasca Romanian Dancers
- Keaka O Kalani
- Little London Assembly
- Lyons Old-time Square Dance
- Maple Grove Grange Folkdancers
- Pikes Peak Scottish Country Dancers
- Pikes Peak Traditional Dance

- Planina: Songs of Eastern Europe
- Planterhouse (Chalet Dancers)
- Postoley Dance Ensemble
- Salon Avalon Tango
- Scandinavian Monday Dance
- Scootbacks Square Dance Club
- Scottish Country Dancers of Colorado
- Snowhawk Productions
- Storm Mountain Folk Dancers
- Storysmith
- Tom Masterson/Danceophile Studio
- Waltz Classes/Barbara Roach
- Westminster Old Time Community Dance
- Winter Solabration Society
- Watch Your Step

VILLAGE ARTS COALITION OFFICERS:

Larry Utter – President: Jim Borzym – Vice-President: Deborah Howard – Treasurer: Susan Reisser - Secretary; Caroline Stepanek - STOMP! Editor, 303.544.0881, jcvstep@infionline.net

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE:

The VAC board policy limits newsletter mailings to VAC members & member groups.

- The Ballroom at the Avalon (6185 Arapahoe Ave., Boulder)
- Rick Thompson, 303.440.8303, avalon@villageartscoalition.org, or scheduling@boulderdancespace.com
- The Pearl Street Studio (2126 Pearl St., Boulder): 303.443.7538, sodaling@norsk.us

GENERAL INFORMATION:

- VAC Festival: Jim Schwartzkopf, venturewestjim@gmail.com
- Join VAC: Larry Utter, membership@villageartscoalition
- VAC's central phone and fax: 303.440.8303 (Avalon).
- Visit www.boulderdancespace.com for facility availability information.

VILLAGE ARTS BOARD:

BOARD NEWS: JULY-AUGUST 2013

The board voted to approve expenditure for an automated external defibrillator to be installed at the Avalon. The groups dancing at Pearl Street Studio will be making the transition to dancing at the Avalon this fall. A VAC Board Retreat is planned for August.

VAC BOARD MEMBERS: Larry Utter (P), Jim Borzym (VP), Susan Reisser (S), Deborah Howard (T), Willard Crary, Steward Hartman, Chuck Palmer, Melba Shepard, Susan Smith, Joseph Snowhawk, Caroline Holmes Stepanek, and Rick Thompson.

PERFORMING GROUPS

- Boulder Scandinavian Dancers: Erica Rice 303.442.7689
- Calico & Boots, American Folk Dancers: Jim Barnett 303.651.0797
- Chalet Dancers: Tina Liedle, 720.878.3694, www. chaletdancers.com
- Halau Hula O Na Mauna Komohana: "Pumehana" Paisner 303.447.9772 www.oconnor.gs/halau.html
- Hora Romaneasca Dances of Romania: Mihail Codrescu 303.494.5640
- Maroon Bells Morris Dancers: Robin Smith 303.651.0909 www.maroonbellsmorris.org
- One World Folk Dancers: Sheila Sharpe 303.377.4111
- 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, Bob_Burnham@msn.com
- Sherefe: Music of the Middle East & Eastern Europe: James Hoskins 303.939.8702
- Storm Mountain Folk Dancers: Deryl Keney 970.223.5362
- StorySmith: Susan Marie Frontczak 303.442.4052
- Trolls: Scandinavian musicians, Erica Rice 303.442.7689
- Watch Your Step! Vintage Dance Vignettes. Susan Reisser 720-ONE STEP (720.663.7837)

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BOULDER

- AV BALLROOM AT THE AVALON, 6185 Arapahoe Ave., Unit B
- CDC COMMUNITY DANCE COLLECTIVE, 2020B 21st St.21st & Pearl, behind futon store)
- DS DANCEOPHILE STUDIO, 250 31st Street,
- EBCC EAST BOULDER COMM. CENTER, 5660 Sioux Drive
- GC GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH
- KaKS KAKES STUDIOS, 2115 Pearl St., (21st & Pearl, behind the Kwal Paint and Futon store)
- KCH Knights of Columbus Hall: 1741 Walnut St.
- PEH PRE EMINENCE HALL, 323 Walnut St.
- PSt PEARL STREET STUDIO, 2126 Pearl St., Boulder (E. of 21st St, S. side of street)

DENVER

- BCC BERKELEY COMMUNITY CHURCH, 3701 W. 50th Ave. (near Regis)
- DT DENVER TURNVEREIN, 1570 Clarkson St., (8 blocks E & 1 block N of Capitol Building)
- HIC HERITAGE IRISH CENTER, 1946 S.
- HMC HIGHLANDS MASONIC CENTER. 3550 N. Federal Blvd
- MC MERCURY CAFÉ, 22nd & California
- SCC SCHEITLER COMMUNITY CENTER, Berkley Park
- SHM SWALLOW HILL MUSIC ASSN 71 E. Yale (Between Broadway & Lincoln)
- **SRC SCHEITLER RECREATION CENTER,** 5031 W 46th Ave.
- WMC WARREN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, 1630 E. 14th Avenue

 WPMC - WASHINGTON PARK UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, 1955 E. Arizona Ave., (corner of South Race & East Arizona)

FORT COLLINS

LOCATIONS

- EG EMPIRE GRANGE, 2306 W. Mulberry
- FCSC FORT COLLINS SENIOR CENTER, 1200 Raintree Drive
- . TICO CLUB TICO IN CITY PARK. 1599 City Park Dr; (North Shore of City Park Lake)

OTHER LOCATIONS

- BUMA BROOMFIELD UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, 545 W. 10th Ave.
- CCC CLEMENTS COMMUNITY CENTER 1580 Yarrow, Lakewood (1 block North and West of Colfax & 16th)
- **DN D NOTE** 7519 Grandview, Arvada
- GD GLENN'S DEN 10178 Empire Dr. Lafavette
- HCC HILLSIDE COMMUNITY CENTER 925 S. Institute, Colorado Springs
- IDC INTERNATIONAL DANCE CLUB 2422 Busch Ave., Colorado Springs
- MGG Maple Grove Grange, 3130 Youngfield,
- NCC NEDERLAND COMMUNITY CENTER
- WGH WESTMINSTER GRANGE HALL 3935 W. 73rd Ave., Westminster

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PLANINA TURNS 25







An important part of Planina's mission is to teach others about the background and cultural contexts of the songs and rituals that we perform. Planina members have taught workshops at the Snow Mountain Ranch YMCA Camp, Metro State College, UCCS Women's Week, and numerous area elementary schools. Planina has performed often at the annual Boulder International Festival, the Orthodox Food Festival in Denver, Summerfest, and A Taste of Colorado, to name a few. And we've done collaborations with area musicians and storyteller Susan Frontczak, and with groups like The Rhythm Method, Cherry Creek Chorale, and Denver Gay Men's Chorus.

Planina sings in a total of 30 languages and dialects. Members have studied Bulgarian, Croatian, Greek, Russian, and other languages to better understand the meanings of the songs.

Some members attend the annual EEFC Balkan Music & Dance Workshops to work with teachers from the U.S. and Eastern Europe. We occasionally bring in teachers to help us learn distinctive styles from various regions. We've taken two group trips to Bulgaria, in 1998 and 2005, to learn songs and study customs with villagers; individual members continue to travel abroad and gather new material.

Group members also study and play instruments, including accordion, balalaika, kankles (Lithuanian zither), recorders, tambura, and various folk drums. And 25 years of careful attention to collecting original and reproduction costume pieces provide another rich thread in our story as well as a colorful display for concert audiences.

Planina has produced three CDs, "Many Voices" (2000), "The Singing Tree" (2004), and "Telegram on the Wind" (2012). The group also compiled a cookbook of mainly Eastern European dishes, "May It Fill Your Bowl" (2007).

Planina would not be where it is today without the enthusiasm, encouragement, and support of its local and regional audiences over the years. We gratefully acknowledge the Village Arts Coalition as part of that support.

And then there's our own pleasure in what we do. One long-term Planinan writes: "Being a member of this choir gives me a place of true belonging; the love of music, dance, celebration, and friendship is a bond around our hearts, helping us share the joys and sorrows of life across the years."

As of this writing, 35 former members and instrumentalists are planning to participate in the reunion event on October 26 at the Avalon. Please join us! See Special Events page in this issue for details. We will do our absolute best to stir your soul and move your feet!

- Mary Ann Saussotte & Julie Lancaster

AMERICAN TRADITIONAL

Arkansas Valley Music & Dance

Contra dancing, tango/swing parties, waltz nights, Old-time music jams, and more in Buena Vista & Salida!

2nd Tuesdays: 6:30-8:30 pm. Celtic & Old-time music jams in Buena Vista

Halloween Family Dance: Sat. Oct.19th.
6-8:30 pm-Salida Scout Hut, Riverside Park.
Costume contest, crafts, haunted house for the little ones, dessert potluck and dancing with calling by Eleanor Fahrney and music by The Toe Dusters!

Info and complete Calendar of events:
www.avmad.org. 719.395.6704

Calico & Boots Square Dance

Now dancing quarterly! **Upcoming** ~ **September 14th, November 23rd.**Starts at 7 pm at Glen's Den (see Page 2 "other locations"). No partner required, beginners welcome. Old-time squares, contras, round dances, waltzing and other dances occasionally.

Info: Jim & Andy: 303.651.0797 or Willard: 303.494.6167.

Community Dances by CFOOTMAD (Co. Friends of Old Time Music & Dance)

Live music. 303.592.3972, www.cfootmad.org

- Westminster Old-time Community Dance: 1st Saturday of the month at 7 pm.
- **Community Dance Boulder:** 1st and 3rd Fridays at 7:15 pm at the Avalon.
- **Denver Contra Dance**: 2nd and 4th Fridays 7:15 pm, Highlands Masonic Center.

Folk Dancing on the Plaza Tuesdays 7-10 pm at Dushanbe Teahouse September 3rd and 10th.

Instruction: 7-8 pm, No exp/partner needed. Request dancing: 8-10 pm
The program is FREE, sponsored by Danceophile Studio, Postoley Dance Ensemble, and Boulder Human Relations Commission. Learn to dance, meet great folks, experience our cultural heritage, and get in shape, all at the same time.

Info: www.postoley.org or 303.499.6363

Friends of Traditional Dance (FoTD)

1st, 3rd and 5th Saturday - Contra Dance
at Club Tico in City Park, Ft. Collins. Free
lesson at 7 pm, dancing at 8 pm. Always
live music, free refreshments.

Lyons Old-time Square Dance

First Saturdays 7-10 pm

Info: oldtimedances@musicinlyons.com 303.823.0816.

Musicians' Jams

Fourth Sunday each month 2-6 pm, various locations in Denver and Boulder. All levels of musicianship and interest in old time music are invited! Contact: denveroldtimejam@yahoo.com for monthly location and directions.

Pikes Peak Traditional Dance

Contra dance – 3rd Saturdays, 8-10:30 pm. Lesson at 7:30. Avanti Ballroom 1337 N. Academy Blvd. Co. Springs. **Info:** Adele 578.8979 or visit www.pptdcontra.com.

Scootbacks Square Dance Club

Our season is starting up again on Friday, September 13th!

2nd & 4th and some 5th Fridays (5th Friday dances are Plus level.) We dance Sept. through April at Broomfield United Methodist Church (BUMC), at 545 W 10th Avenue (unless otherwise noted)

7:30 pm – round dancing, 8 pm – squares. We square and round dance to a variety of music. We book local, regional and national callers. 7 tips per night; one tip is Plus level. \$6-\$8/person.

Info: Warren and Barb Leggate, 303.666.8389 or Scootbacks.Denver@gmail.com; www.scootbacks.com

Westminster Old-Time Community Dance

Dances are taught. No partner needed. **1st Saturdays** of the month 7-10 pm. Lesson at 7 pm. Cost: \$8/\$6 member, \$2 children ages 6-15. Westminster Grange Hall, park on street or in back. **Info:** Cathy Brown 303.412.8329, Paul

720.722.1170; westminster@cfootmad.org.



BALLROOM

Waltz Classes w/Barbara Roach

Small friendly classes taught at a moderate pace. Plenty of time to practice and to ask questions. Beginning to intermediate and advanced levels. Rotary, cross-step, Viennese, and other waltz forms. Some special steps, like Redowa and Mazurka steps, also taught. Besides steps, learn leading and following, how to hear the beat and the phrasing in music, how to move like a dancer, etc.

LOCATIONS: <u>September</u> classes will be held at <u>Pearl St. Studio</u>. <u>October & beyond</u> classes will be at <u>The Avalon</u>.

Beginning Waltz: Saturdays 3-4:30 pm Sept 7, 14 + 21 -- Rotary Waltz Oct 5, 12 + 26 -- Cross-step Waltz Nov 9, 16 + 23 -- continuing both rotary and cross-step waltz

Intermediate Waltz: Sundays, 2-4 pm Sept 15 + 22, Oct 6 + 20, Nov 3 + 17

Details: No partner needed. \$7 at the door. No fragrances please, some of us are chemically sensitive. Some refreshments provided.Doors open 15 minutes before class starts.

Info: broach3@juno.com or 303.442.0677

CFOOTMAD Boulder Waltz

Fifth Fridays of the month 8-11 pm with free lesson at 7:15 pm. Cost \$10. 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! Held at Avalon.

Info: 303.592.3972, www.cfootmad.org.

Tom Masterson's Classes Danceophile Studio

All classes taught by Tom Masterson at Danceophile Studio, 250 31st St. Boulder

INTRODUCTION TO BALLROOM Sundays at 5:30-6:50 pm

Session 1: Sept. 15, 22, 29, October 6.
Session 2: October 27, November 3, 10, 17
An introduction to the smooth Foxtrot, upbeat Swing, graceful Waltz and seductive Tango. No experience needed. You do not need to bring a partner. Singles welcome. Emphasis on leading, following, and really communicating with a partner.

A STEP BEYOND BEGINNING BALLROOM Sundays at 8:15-9:30 pm

<u>Session 1:</u> Sept. 15, 22, 29, October 6. Emphasis on Waltz and Swing. Some previous experience helpful.

ONGOING CLASSES & EVENTS

CONTINUING BALLROOM Sundays at 8:15-9:30 pm

Session 2: October 27, November 3, 10, 17 Continuing Ballroom: Latin-Salsa, Rhumba, Cha-Cha. We will start with basics so that beginners can join us, and then go wild with lots of fun Latin dance steps and styling.

COUPLE DANCE/BALLROOM DANCE PARTY: Wednesday: October 2, 7:30-10 pm.

Join us for a wild couple dance party at Danceophile Studio. Waltz, Swing, Tango, polka, Salsa, Cha-Cha, Rhumba, Mixers... + your requests. Singles welcome, you don't have to bring a partner; no experience required. Instruction 7:30-8:30, dancing til 10 pm. Refreshments. \$5/person.

WEDDING DANCE CHOREOGRAPHY/ PRIVATE INSTRUCTION available at Danceophile Studio contact us.

Info: tom.masterson@colorado.edu. www.danceophile.com, 303.499.6363.

Sunday Afternoon Tea Dances Second Sundays Dance 2-5 pm

Dance lesson included 1-2 pm Avalon Ballroom. Sponsored by AVD. Live music! Tango, waltz, foxtrot, one-step, or dance cheek-to-cheek to original music of American social ballroom dance. The Mont Alto Ragtime & Tango Orchestra performs a wide variety of music from the ragtime and tango craze of the 1900s thru early swing of the 1930s. No partner needed. Refreshments. Dressy attire encouraged. \$15 or \$10/students.

Wednesday Waltz Etcetera – The Avalon: 2nd and 4th Wednesdays:

two simultaneous classes from 7 to 8 pm. Beginner waltz and Intermediate waltz. Followed by open dancing 8-10:15 pm. No beginner class on 5th Wednesday. Enjoy an evening of sociable couples dancing presented by Frank Vernon and Jim X. Borzym. Traditional & 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. \$7. Avalon Ballroom, Boulder. Hosted by American Vernacular Dance.

Info: For email notices contact Jim X. Borzym at avd@columbine.net. See also www.AmericanVernacularDance.com.

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.



Watch Your Step!

We focus on dances from the ragtime dance craze that overtook America in the 1910s, the dances of the wild 1920s, and through the elegance and swing of the 1930s. We are available for performances that both entertain and educate, including instruction.

Info: Susan Reisser, 720-ONE-STEP, www.watch-your-step.org

CAJUN - ZYDECO

Cajun Dances

sponsored by Colorado Friends of Cajun Zydeco Music & Dance

Info: www.cfcz.org, or Dan Willging at 303.745.9577 or dwillging@mho.net

CELTIC & ENGLISH

Colorado Morris

Now includes three teams, all of which practice after performance season – that means beginners are encouraged. All three teams have danced at the International Festival. Practice details are:

- Maroon Bells has been performing Cotswold and occasional longsword dances in many venues since 1982. You've probably seen them in whites and ribbons somewhere in the state. Practice is on Wednesdays 7:30-9:30 p.m., mostly in Northglenn. Beginners classes start each fall. Info: www.maroonbellsmorris.org or call Squire Robin Smith, 303.651.0909
- Breathless in Berthoud is a Border Morris team 'border' referring to the one between England and Wales that began in 2003. If you've seen dancers in colorful tatty coats and hats, you've watched Border. Practice: Thursdays 7:30-9 pm; Berthoud. Info: www. breathlessbordermorris.org.
- The Tommyknockers were started in 2002 for and by children of adults on Maroon Bells and have expanded to included any interested kids. No description of the kit is needed you recognize them by their youthful energy. Practice is most often first Saturdays of the month 9:30-11:30 am in Berthoud. Call Sallie at 970.472.0863 for details. The Tommyknocker's Morris currently range in age from 6-14. Beginners welcome any time! More info: contact Robin, 303.651.0909, squire@maroonbellsmorris. org, www.maroonbellsmorris.org.

Tommyknockers morris seeks active kids ages 10 + for a beginners morris class. We generally meet on the first Saturday of the month from 9:30-11:30 am at the Barn Owl in Berthoud. More info: contact Sallie Sprague

970.472.0863 or maroonbellsfore@gmail.com. Carpooling may be available from Boulder, Arvada and Thornton.

English Country Dance

Please join us for our First-of-Fall English Country Dance on **Friday, October 4th**, at the Berkeley Community Church, 3701 West 50th Ave. in Denver (near Regis), 8:00 - 11:00 p.m., adults \$10, teens/students, \$6, family rate, \$25. **No Dance in September.**

All are invited: These exciting, flirtatious dances are the ones you saw in the Jane Austen movies. No partner/exp. needed. There is no lesson, figures are taught as needed. Easier dances at the beginning of the evening lead up to more elegant & graceful dances by the end of the evening.

Info: 303.321.2262, denverenglishdance.com or denverenglishdance.com

Little London Assembly English Country Dance

Mondays Evenings 7-9 pm, Dates: TBD. International Dance Club (IDC), 2422 Busch Ave, Colorado Springs; Cost \$5. Info: 719.494.0563, bry2890@juno.com

Scottish Country Dancing

No partner needed, beginners welcome.

Boulder: Sundays 4:30-6:30 p.m. Pearl St. Studio, Boulder. \$4. Contact Bob Burnham, 303.431.6870 or Bob_Burnham@msn.com.

Denver: Mondays 7-9 p.m. at St. Peter & St. Mary Episcopal Church (2nd & Acoma), \$3.50. Info: Jamie MacKinnon, 303.451.7466, jmemack@comcast.net

Ft. Collins: Thursdays 7-9 pm, Basement of Cafe Vino Bldg. 1200 S. College. \$4. Jeff Davis: 970.223.7730, pikada vis@msn.com

Colorado Springs: Wednesdays 7-9 pm Pikes Peak Scottish Country Dancers (PPSCD) meet at the International Dance Club (IDC), 2422 Busch Ave, Co. Springs \$5 per session.

Info: Brenda Crane 719.599.4344.

INTERNATIONAL

BIFD Boulder Int'l Folk Dancers Friday nights at the Pearl Street Studio,

Boulder. (Moving soon to the Avalon). Lesson 7:30-8:30 pm, open dance 8:30-11. Golden Oldies night on the 5th Fridays. \$5. Info: Debby 303.692.8213, www.boulderifd.org

Denver Area Folk Dancers (DAFD)

Info: 720.635.4060 or debbydancer@comcast.net

ONGOING CLASSES & EVENTS

Folk Dancing in the Mountains

Monday Eves. (starting Sept 16), 7-9:15 pm at the Nederland Community Center (on the Peak-to-Peak highway 0.6 miles north of the traffic circle). Wonderful folks, great comraderie & snacks, fun dances from around the world. No partner or experience needed. Beginners welcome. Info: 303,258,3652

Hawaiian, Israeli and Country Western

Dance teacher for private & group lessons. **Info:** Miriam "Pumehana" Paisner, 303.447.9772 • www.oconnor.gs/mp.html.

Hawaiian Hula Classes

Classes resume on October 6th Ongoing/Advanced: Sundays 4:30-6 pm; \$15 drop-ins: \$60 for 5 weeks ongoing. Senior Hula: please contact me if interested in a Seniors ages 50+ class. Boulder Ballet Studio at Dairy Center. Taught by Halau Hula O Na Mauna Komohana.

Info: Miriam Pumehana Paisner, (Director) 303.447.9772, miriampaisner@hotmail.com, www.hulamaunakomohana.org

Hora Romaneasca

Romanian Folkdance Ensemble based in Boulder. Available for performances presenting the rich folk culture of Romania highlighting dance, music, costumes, and folk arts. Rehearsals held on Sundays, at 7:15 pm, Grace Lutheran Church, Boulder. Info: Mihail Codrescu, 303.494.5640, mihail1@netscape.net or if interested in 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 pm Empire Grange, Ft. Collins. **Info:** Daryl Keney, 970.223.5362.

Maple Grove Grange Folkdancers

1st Sundays: Folk Dance Party & Potluck 1-6 pm at the Maple Grove Grange, Golden. Wood floor, potluck. \$3. Info: Jerry Accettura, 303.763.8404, jerrya.folkdancer@gmail.com

Storm Mountain Folk Dancers

International Folk Dance Performance Group, sharing the dances and music of Eastern and Western Europe through performance and teaching. Rehearsals Thursday nights, Empire Grange, Ft Collins. **Info:** stormmountainfolkdancers@ comcast.net, Deryl Keney 970.223.5362, deryl.keney@colostate.edu; or Cherie Trine 970.391.9442. **www.fortnet.org/smfd**.

ISRAELI

Boulder Israeli Dance

Sundays at Pearl Street Studio (moving soon to the Avalon).
Teaching 7-8 pm, open dance 8-10 pm.

Teaching 7-8 pm, open dance 8-10 pm. \$5/session, first time free. **Info:** Skip Ellis -303.440.9388; Marshall Shapiro - 303.641.6511.

SALSA

Danceophile Studios

Classes taught by Tom Masterson Danceophile Studio, 250 31st St. Boulder **We are currently on summer break! Info:** tom.masterson@colorado.edu. www.danceophile.com, 303.499.6363.

Joseph Snowhawk Productions

Boulder Salsa Social: Thursdays, Avalon. We have 8 instructors teaching Rueda: 6:30-7:30, Salsa: 7:30-8:30 pm, dancing 8:30-10:30 pm. \$12 for the whole night, \$8 for salsa lesson and dance (7:30-10:30), \$5 for dance only.

Salsa Sundays at D Note: Arvada. Lesson 8 pm, live music 9:30. \$8. We get 250+ people every week. We do 5-6 Charity events every year! **Info:** 303.668.7355



SCANDINAVIAN

Fifth Saturday Bygdedans

Held on the 5th Saturday of months that have them, 8-10:30 pm, Pearl St. Studio, Boulder. \$5. Info: Eric Meyer, 303.415.1187

Scandinavian Dance Party

2nd Saturdays, Pearl St. Studio. Live music at most dances. Sponsored by BSD (Boulder Scandinavian Dancers). Open dancing 8-10:30 pm. Everyone is welcome: dance or listen. \$5. **Info:** Mike Palmer 303.442.7689 or michael.palmer@mho.com

Scandinavian Monday Dance

Monday Night classes starting Sept. 16th.

Pearl Street Studio (moving soon to the Avalon). Teaching is from 7:30 - 8:30, followed by open dancing. PERFECT your PIVOT, HONE your HAMBO, SHARPEN your SCHOTTIS!! Dance series focused on basic Scandi dance skills and accessible, fun dances. Learn the secrets of maintaining your balance while connecting with your partner and turning effortlessly. Scandinavian dance skills transfer to most other couple dance forms, so you will not only be learning new dances, you will be enhancing ones you already know! We begin with Telegangar, a Norwegian walking dance that is reminiscent of country swing in a relaxed tempo, and introduce pivots, one of the basic building blocks of Scandinavian turning dances. In the following weeks we will add schottis, basic Swedish polska, stigvals, hambo and Rørospols. Classes will build on each other, week to week, so it is important to come regularly. Teaching 7:30-8:30, followed by open dancing. Usually live music. No partner necessary. Hard-soled shoes rea'd for smooth pivoting. \$5. Info: nellinghaus@juno.com, 303.499.7262.

SWING

Boulder Swing Dance

Swing Dance lessons, Mondays at 7 pm with a new series starting every month. Taught by Shana Worel, John Dyer, Heather Ballew and Dano McKagen at Kakes Studios, Boulder.

Info: www.boulderswingdance.com; 303.941.3833 check for changes/ cancellations.

Danceophile Studios

Classes taught by Tom Masterson Danceophile Studio, 250 31st St. Boulder SWING DANCE CLASSES

Sundays at 7-8:15 pm <u>Level 1:</u> Sept. 15, 22, 29, October 6 <u>Level 2:</u> October 27, November 3, 10, 17

Level 1: an introduction to the fabulous
Jitterbug Swing. Emphasis on leading and
following. No experience needed. You don't
need to bring a partner–singles welcome!
Level II: swing out with some fabulous swing
dance steps. Enhance your repertoire

ONGOING CLASSES & EVENTS

with some incredibly fun Charleston steps. You don't need to bring a partner-singles welcome! Some previous swing dance experience helpful.

Info: tom.masterson@colorado.edu. www.danceophile.com, 303.499.6363.

Pearl Street Swing & Blues Boulder Swing Dance

1st, 3rd & sometimes 5th Saturday. Intro to Lindy Hop 7-8:30 pm. Dancing from 8:30-1 am – Blues after midnight. Admission \$5, \$10 for lesson (includes dance admission). Pearl Street Studio, Boulder. Info: www.boulderswingdance.com.

Third Saturday Swing

Live swing music! The 3rd Saturday of the month at the Avalon. Featuring the best local bands including After Midnight, Swing City, Crystal Swing, Colorado Swing Big Band, Neil Bridge and Gypsy Swing Revue. Intro lesson 7-8 pm, Music 8-11 pm. Light refreshments. No experience or partner required. All ages welcome. Free parking. \$15 gen. admission, \$10 students. Avalon. Hosted by American Vernacular Dance.

I nfo: Jim X. Borzym, avd@columbine.net, www.AmericanVernacularDance.com

SINGING/STORYTELLING

Colorado Sacred Harp Singers

We preserve and promote the music and the traditions of American shape note harmony along the Front Range of the Rocky Mountains and elsewhere in the state. All are welcome to come sing with us, no experience needed. Boulder group meets on the 2nd Friday of every month 7-9 pm. Sacred Harp/Shape Note SING 7-9pm monthly on the second Friday. Info: 303.447.9379 or vmarylou@indra.com

www.sacredharpcolorado.org

Planina Singers

25th Anniversary Reunion/Balkan Bash Saturday, October 26th, Avalon BallroomPlease see full details on back page in Special Events section.

Info: 303.329.6242; www.planina.org.



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Info: contact Susan Marie Frontczak, susanmarie@storysmith.com, 303.442.4052 www.storysmith.org.



TANGO

Casa Tango – Salida

Steve & Dvora have renovated a beautiful dance hall – creating a tango social scene in the Arkansas River Valley.

First Saturdays: Tango/Swing Dance Party!
Come dance tango, swing & blues from
8-10 pm at Casa Tango. Two tango tunes
then two swing tunes are alternated
throughout the night. Bring your dance
shoes (or just use your socks) to preserve
the beautiful floor. Free tango or swing
lesson - 7pm, social dancing - 8-10 pm.
No partner needed. \$7, \$5/AVMAD
member). Casa Tango Salida is located at
7595 CR 150, Smeltertown. Co-sponsored
by Arkansas Valley Music and Dance and
Casa Tango Salida.

Weekend famous milongo & classes held 2 times a year: watch for Salida Tango Getaways. 7595 CR 150 in Smeltertown

Info: info@casatangosalida.com. 719.539.7595. www.casatangosalida.com.

Salón Avalon Milonga

Usually on Second Sundays, 6:30-10:30 pm Argentine tango milonga (dance) with traditional music. Usually there is a free introductory class during the milonga. Info & Calendar of Argentine tango: www.tangocolorado.org, 720.346.2215.

OTHER DANCE/MOVEMENT

Boulder Zumba

Morning Zumba: Monday through Saturday 9-10 am - Avalon

Evening Zumba: Tuesday & Wednesday

5:30-6:30 pm - Avalon

Zumbatomic Dance Fitness for KIDS (7-13): Tuesday: 4-5 pm - Avalon

Info: 303.604.9098. donna@shonle.net, www.boulderzumba.com

Chalet Dancers

International Folk Dances, Swordsmen , Musicians, Stage Acting.

Info: Tina Liedle, Director, 720.878.3694, www.chaletdancers.com

Dancin' Divas

Second Fridays—Avalon 6:30-10:30 pm; Lesson: 7-8 (2-step, line dance, ballroom) Learning and social dance opportunities for LBGTQ adults (and allies, friends, and others comfortable dancing with a mostly Lesbian group). Anyone welcome! No partner needed, beginners welcome. DJ plays country, waltz, line dance and some ballroom and club music. Cost \$10. Info: Susie Pringle 303.931.5654, dancin.divas@icloud.com

Ecstatic Dance

1st & 3rd Wednesdays

Warm-up: 7 pm; Opening circle: 7:30 pm. Experience a sacred, multi-media three-hour journey with amazing electronic dance music & pure joy.

Cost: Students/Seniors \$5, Regular \$10.

Children under 12 free.

Info: 415.290.9242, simona.mu@gmail.com www.danceinthesunshine.com

FamilyDance Planet!

You're on the dance floor, moving to the beat, in a supportive community, enjoying fabulous music, feeling wonderful because you are dancing with your family and your best friends. Where are you? At FamilyDance Planet! We are transforming family time by offering your family a Saturday morning, upbeat dance party with live DJs that adults and kids enjoy. We throw in shakers, scarves and yoga mats to encourage creativity and movement. We also have a Seasonal Earth Altar that families can help create by bringing an item from nature found during this time of year. We've been going strong since April 2012. Each dance brings in new faces & families who come back for more! 3rd Saturdays; 10 am-12 noon, Avalon

Early bird tickets online only: \$13 for 2 people or \$17/whole family (3 or more people from the same family)

Tickets at the door: \$15 for 2 people or \$20/whole family (3 or more people from the same family)

Tickets/Info: www.familydanceplanet.com

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SPECIAL EVENTS



Come Celebrate!

SODAL HALL GRAND OPENING

Grand Opening & Dedication of The Sodal Hall at The Avalon

DATE: Coming soon in the near future! 6-7 pm Social Hour with light snacks 7-11 Easy dancing of many varieties & Dedication ~ Donations Welcome ~





· · · PLANINA 25TH ANNIVERSARY REUNION · · ·

Balkan Bash: Dinner, Concert & Dance Party

Saturday, October 26th • Avalon Ballroom 6 pm Dinner • 6:30-7:15 Planina Concert • 8-11 Dance Party

Enjoy a light Mediterranean dinner catered by Donald Vukovic (The Baklava Guy) while listening to a concert by current and former Planina members, followed by a folk dance party featuring Planina and guest instrumentalists. Music from Albania, Bulgaria,

Greece, Hungary, Macedonia, Russia, Serbia, Turkey, and Roma (Gypsy) traditions. Dances are mostly circle and line dances (plus a few waltzes and individual dances). Come celebrate Planina's 25 years of bringing folk music of Eastern Europe to Colorado!

TICKETS: http://vw.ticketleap.com/planina-balkan-bash/ or call Jim at 303.329.6242 **ADVANCE PURCHASE:** Dinner, Concert & Dance Party \$25 (\$21 students/seniors); Dance Party only (no dinner) \$16 (\$12 students/seniors).

AT DOOR: Dinner, Concert & Dance Party \$30 (\$26 s/s); Dance Party only \$18 (\$14 s/s).

Info: venturewestjim@gmail.com or 303.329.6242

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