^{23rd} FolkMADness Music and Dance Weekend

Memorial Day Weekend – May 22-25, 2015 New Mexico Tech, Socorro, New Mexico

Nor'easter Cedar Stanistreet, Max Newman, Julie Vallimont
Ladies at Play Shanda McDonald, Kathy Dagg, Miranda Arana

Callers Nils Fredland, Anna Rain

Singing Leaders Rebekka Goldsmith, Amy Lindquist

And more! Karina Wilson, Sande Gillette, Erik Erhardt

Workshops & More! Morning Yoga, Dance Workshops, Singing Workshops, Instrument

Workshops, Music Jams!

PLEASE KEEP THIS INFORMATION!

Thank you for registering for FolkMADness 2015.

Registration

FolkMADness check-in starts at 4:00 p.m. on Friday, May 22, followed by dinner from 5:30-7:00 p.m. Park on Campus Drive and walk to the grassy area between the dorms (see map at the end of this letter) to the gym. Registration will be set up in the West Gym. Registrants who arrive after dinner can pick up their packets in the main gym.

Volunteer Chore Sign Up

When you pick up your registration packet, please remember to sign up for one chore over the weekend.

Schedule

Each day has a full schedule of music, dance, and song workshops, with evening dancing and jamming. Friday evening begins with an Artists' Showcase at 7:00 pm, with introductions by Nils Fredland. Dance following at 8:00 pm. Check the FoldMADS website for our schedule. Any changes once the weekend starts will be posted on the large schedule in the dance hall.

Saturday Night Thrift Store Prom

Wear an outrageous outfit or elegant "prom" attire – whatever you prefer! But expect the unexpected!

The weekend will end with lunch on Monday, May 25. Check the FolkMADS Web site for late-breaking details: www.folkmads.org.

Pool hours (tentative) are Friday & Monday 11 a.m.-6:30 p.m. and Saturday & Sunday 10-5 (lap swim from 12-1:30).

Snacks, Snacks—Select from one of the "Teams" listed below. Please bring as much as you (or your kids, if you choose the Kids Snack Team) would eat in three days and three nights of dancing (or playing).

Please e-mail your choice to candeepearson@hotmail.com, or call Candee Pearson at 970-764-5615.

- Veggies with Dip Team: Bring pre-cut veggies in a plastic bag along with some kind of related dip.
- Watermelon Team: Bring one BIG juicy watermelon -- your choice of variety (if there is one.)
- Beverage Team: Herbal tea, black tea, or instant hot chocolate, in individual envelopes, coffee, cream, sugar, honey or other powdered drink mix.
- Ready-to-Eat Team: Bring something from the following list: chips, cheese & crackers, pretzels, nuts, or popcorn.
- 1st Fruit Team: Bring something from the following list: Oranges, pineapples, or strawberries (no apples).
- 2nd Fruit Team: Bring something from the following list: Bananas, kiwis, and/or seedless grapes or cherries.
- Baked Goods Team: Homemade cookies, bars, sweet breads (e.g. zucchini bread) or brownies.
- Chocolate Team: Bring some chocolate M&Ms, mini candy bars, chocolate covered raisins etc.
- Kids Snack Team: Cheese and crackers, chips or pretzels, granola bars, and/or fruit rollups -- or other healthy snacks
- Supplies Team: Paper towels, paper plates (smallest variety), hot cups, napkins, small cups for nuts, plastic utensils.

THE RAFFLE! Proceeds support the financial assistance fund. Please bring items (gift baskets, hand crafted items, musical instruments, jewelry and any other special "treasures") to donate to the raffle. New and gently used items are welcome (it can be that re-gifting opportunity you were waiting for!) Also bring used dance clothing, books and CDs to be "sold" by donation. Bring items directly to the West Gym as early as possible. Raffle tickets sales start Friday at

registration and end Sunday at 3 pm. The winners are posted after the talent show Sunday. For any questions or special arrangements, contact Angela Welford at awelford1017@gmail.com (phone: 505-281-1198).

Have We Forgotten Anything?

We try to remember everything, but we've probably forgotten something vital. Contact these folks if you have questions:

General Information & Schedule: Lisa Bertelli, (505) 660-1421, lbertellisantafe@gmail.com

Registration: Deb Brunt, (505) 220-1394, <u>bruntdeb@gmail.com</u> and Nancy Ford, (505) 281-7837, <u>nancford@nmia.com</u> Work/Trade Coordinator: Marina Bertelli, (505) 983-5832, <u>mibertelli@gmail.com</u>

Children's Activities—Childcare will be provided for children ages one to thirteen during workshops on Saturday and Sunday. Children will need to be picked up before lunches, dinners, and the talent show. Each family with a young child in childcare is expected to assist the childcare providers for their volunteer chore. Additional evening childcare is not provided but can be arranged with other parents at camp.

For Your Comfort

Accommodations—Dorm rooms are air-conditioned and have desks, chairs, dressers, closet space, a sink, telephone, and comfortable single beds. Bring your own linens: sheets (some fitted twin sheets are too short – bring flat sheets), blankets, pillows, and towels) OR rent them (\$15 on the registration form). Bathrooms are down the hall or shared with another room, depending on the dorm. Feel free to bring a reading light, alarm clock, and Ethernet cable for your laptop (wireless not available), extension cord, hangers for your clothes, etc. Please note that camping (in a tent, RV, camper, etc.) is **NOT** allowed.

Weather—In May the weather at 4,500 feet in New Mexico is unpredictable. We will be in relative comfort with short distances to walk between locations. Expect it to be warm on the dance floor and cool during the evenings. Bring a light sweater and an umbrella or rain jacket in the hopeful case that it rains.

Also Bring—Besides the items in "Accommodations" above, bring towels for the pool, bathrobe, bathroom amenities, electric shavers/hairdryers, and tennis or golf supplies if you are so inclined, water bottle, mug for a hot beverage, and an outfit for our Thrift Store Prom. To help keep the dance floor clean, bring at least two pairs of shoes (one for walking, one for dancing).

Pets—Please, **no** pets.

Meals—Our meals will be in the Student Union Cafeteria with their standard menus. A salad bar, vegetarian entrees and some gluten-free options will be offered daily. If you have a special diet, please bring what you need with you.

Volunteer/Work-Trade Coordinator is Marina Bertelli, (505) 983-5832, <u>mjbertelli@gmail.com</u>. If you have been approved for a work-trade position, you will be contacted regarding your duties.

Lost and Found—In the past, a monumental assortment of lost items has been collected at the end of the weekend. Please mark your valuables (especially instruments) to assist us in returning them to you. The items will be available at several dances following camp, but unclaimed items will be donated to a charity shortly thereafter.

Be a Host

We need hosts to pick up our wonderful guest artists from the airport. If you have space in your car and would like to spend some quality time with one of our artists, please let Lisa know.

Directions

From Albuquerque drive south 74 miles on Interstate 25. Take the US 60 West exit (#150) to Socorro/Magdalena. Merge onto I-25 Boulevard (South/US 60 West) and go ½ mile. Turn west onto Bullock Avenue. On campus, Bullock becomes Olive Lane. Park in the lot at Campus Drive (see yellow sun on map below) and follow the signs to registration in the gym (red star on map below).

NEW MEXICO TECH CAMPUS MAP

Note: Park in lot between South Hall & tennis courts (yellow sun on map below). Registration in gym (red star on map)

