

2014 FolkMADness Camp Information

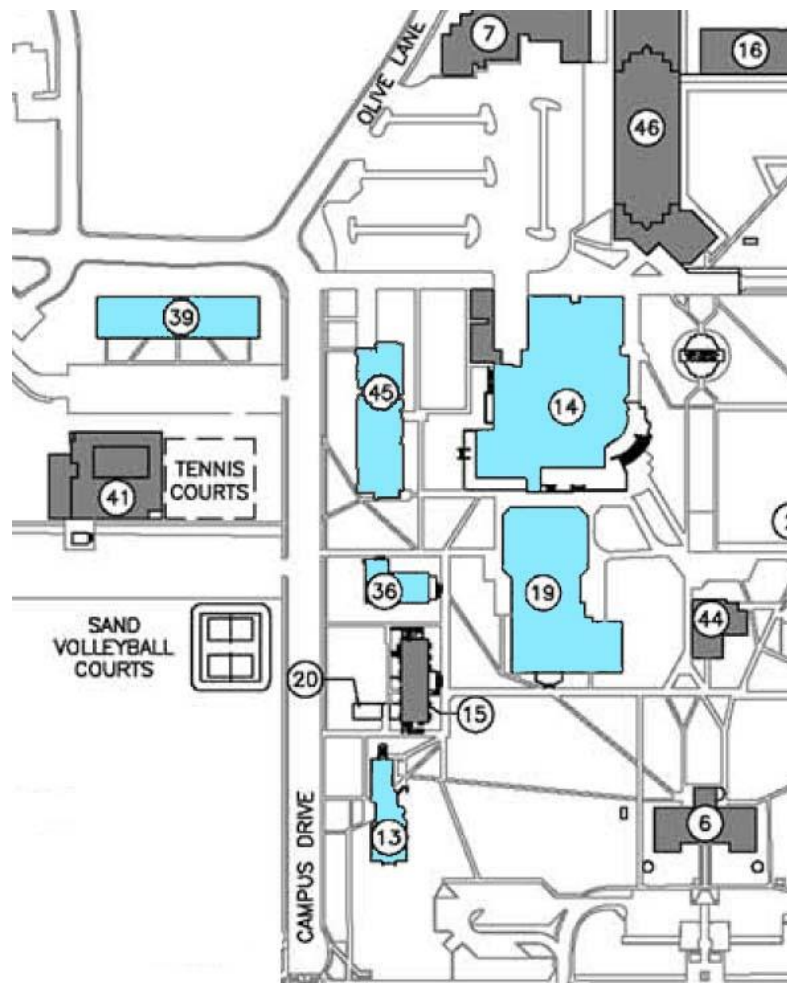
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Camp Facilities

The Tech campus features a wonderful student center and dining hall, two gymnasiums, and comfortable dorms, set among plenty of shade trees. Our workshops and dances take place mainly in the gyms, which occupy the same building. See the Map & Directions page for a full map.

Here is a map view of the buildings we will use at FolkMADness:



- 39. South Hall
- 45. West Hall
- 36. President's Hall
- 13. Driscoll Hall (not in use this year due to renovations)
- 14. Fidel Center (student center and dining hall)
- 19. Gymnasium

The campus swimming pool is available to our camp participants. Check here for hours: [Tech Swim Center](#).

NM Tech also has lovely golf course, described as "an uncrowded 18-hole, championship layout of rolling hills, dramatic elevation changes, and dynamic views of the Rio Grande valley." There is a driving range, as well as chipping and putting greens. [See their website](#) for hours and fees.

Maps and Directions

Where the heck is Socorro?



Socorro is located about 75 miles south of Albuquerque, at an elevation of just over 4500 feet. New Mexico Tech is on the west side of town, at the base of "M" Mountain. The campus has sweeping lawns, large shade trees, and plenty of outdoor spaces to jam. The main gym has a sprung wood floor that's great for dancing.

[Click here for driving directions from ABQ Airport using google maps.](#)

[Directions from Las Cruces here.](#)

[Here's a map of the Tech campus.](#)

[This map shows the buildings we use for FolkMADness.](#)

[And here's an elevation map for those who like the real-world view.](#)

There are lots of things to see and do in the area, but be sure to find a little time to visit a true gem on campus: the [Mineral Museum!](#)

Other local and nearby attractions:

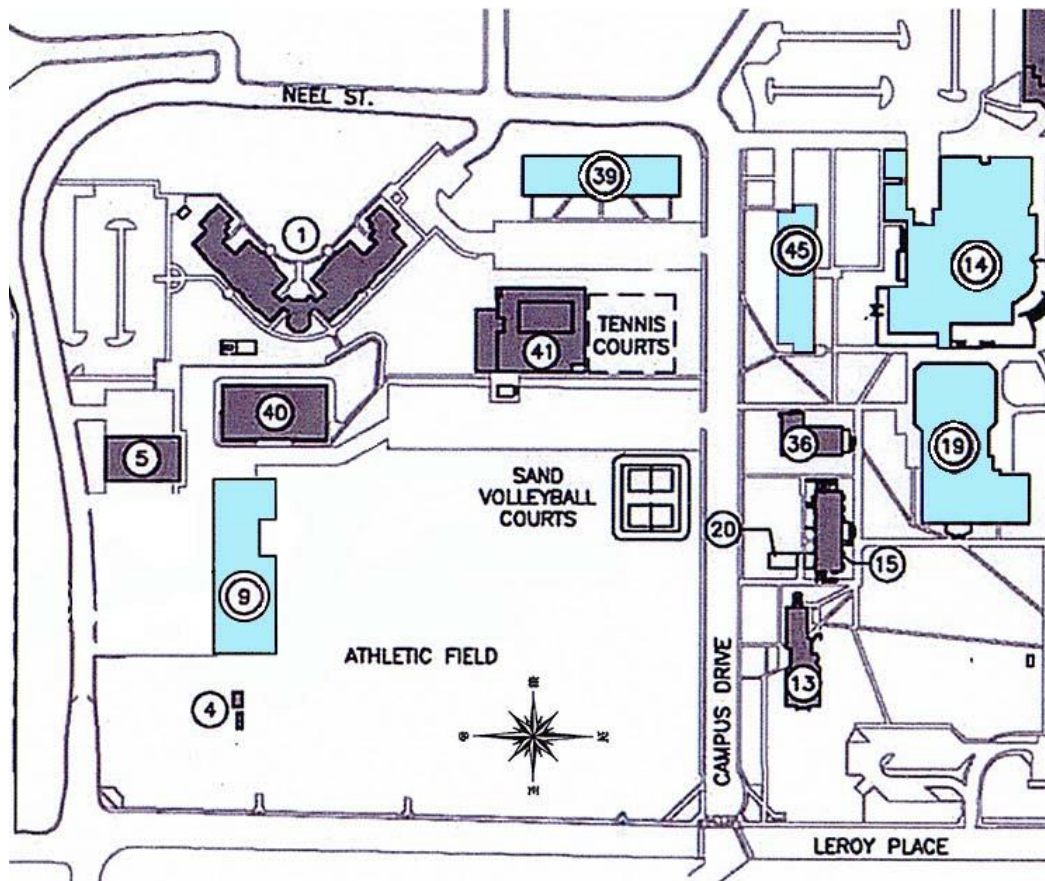
[Bosque del Apache Wildlife Refuge](#)

[National Radio Astronomy Observatory \(Very Large Array\)](#)

[El Camino Real International Heritage Center](#)

Lodging

Map: Lodging for FolkMADness is in various dorms on campus. Here's an overview of the area, with "our" buildings in blue:



NEW MEXICO FOLK MUSIC AND DANCE SOCIETY
FolkMADness 2014 SITE MAP

- 9. [Torres Hall](#) (dorm)
- 39. [South Hall](#) (dorm)
- 45. [West Hall](#) (dorm)
- 14. Fidel Center (student center and dining hall)
- 19. Gymnasium

Click the dorm names for room layouts and other info.

General dorm info and what to bring

Dorm rooms are air conditioned and have desks, chairs, dressers, closet space, a sink, telephone, and comfortable single beds.

Things to bring along with you for your stay:

Linens (you may choose to rent linens when you register):

Your own sheets (note: some fitted twin sheets are too short – bring flat sheets or X-Long-Twin sheets)

Blankets

Pillows

Towels

Optional:

Reading light

Alarm clock

Ethernet cable for your laptop (wireless not available in all rooms)

Hangers for your clothes

Towels for the pool

Bathrobe

Bathroom amenities

Electric shavers/hairdryers

Also Bring:

Water bottle

Mug for a hot beverage

An outfit for our Thrift Store Prom (now on Saturday night)

Tennis or golf supplies if you are so inclined

To help keep the dance floor clean, bring at least two pairs of shoes (one for walking, one for dancing).

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.

Please note that camping (in a tent, RV, camper, etc.) is NOT allowed.

No pets, please.

Meals and Snacks

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

When you register for FolkMADness you will have an opportunity to sign up for the Snack Team of your choice. Each team will be assigned to bring a particular kind of food or beverage, either healthy (fruit) or necessary (chocolate!). The snack table is always well stocked and inviting!

Bands and Callers

FolkMADness 2014 features music by:

Elixir • Privy Tippers

Calling by:

Will Mentor

Singing leader **Chris Sanders**

With guest artists Karina Wilson • Larry Unger • Steve Hickman •
Eric Anderson • Sande Gillette

and guest callers Erik Erhardt • Noralyn Parsons • Eric Black •
DeLaura Padovan • Merri Rudd

Raffle!

The raffle has become one of the highlights of the weekend.

*What's in it for you: It's like being a kid in a candy store. You get to find great items at great prices.

*What else is in it for you: By bringing items, you get to clear your home of unwanted holiday gifts, or other things you no longer need, while supporting a good cause. (**contributions are tax deductible**)

*What's in it for us: It helps support our scholarship fund that allows us to help folks get to camp who otherwise would not be able to come.

So it's a win-win-win.

We would be thrilled if everyone plans to buy at least \$10 worth of tickets (\$10 gets you 13 tickets). There are over 200 people coming to camp this year and if everyone spent \$10 on tickets we would raise over \$2,000!! So remember your money and look for the volunteer selling tickets during breaks and mealtimes.

Reminders:

- clothing items are NOT placed in the raffle (unless they are exceptional items). Clothing will be sold by donation.
- books, CD's and DVD's are sold by donation.
- we ARE accepting nearly-new specialty items, such as dance shoes and outdoor gear
- we ARE accepting jewelry, hand-made items and other gently used accessories
- we ARE accepting gift baskets of goodies (chocolate is always a winner)

Volunteering

FolkMADness runs on volunteer energy. During check in, please sign up for one chore assignment over the weekend.

If you would like to get more involved in the many aspects of the event, talk to any of the folks listed on the contacts page.

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.

Children's Programs

FolkMADness is a child-friendly camp. Activities are offered throughout the day, led by Laurel and Lily Wilson, and parents are encouraged to assist. Evening care is organized by the parents. All parents are expected to take a turn at childcare. Older children are encouraged to join us at the dances and workshops.

T-Shirts

2014 T-Shirt design by Tom Leith



Thrift Store Prom

Wow your fellow dancers with your fancy duds at Saturday night's **Thrift Store Prom and Junk Jewelry Fandango!**