# New Mexico FolkMADness 2014

May 23-26, 2014 - Socorro, NM

Sponsored by New Mexico Folk Music & Dance Society, FolkMADness is a fun-filled weekend of music and dancing! Join us for contra dancing, morning English Country dances, singing, music workshops, jamming, fun parties and more!



Elixir is a high-energy dance band and caller combination that blends superb calling, driving fiddle and guitar playing, and the rich texture and rhythmic excitement of a full horn section. Elegant melodies evolve into raucous Dixieland horn riffs; transcendent harmonies, playful improvisations, and rock, swing and reggaeinspired rhythms weave in and out of traditional and original Irish, French Canadian and New England tunes. Elixir is Nils Fredland – calling, trombone & vocals; Ethan Hazzard-Watkins – fiddle; Jesse Readlynn – trumpet/flugelhorn; Anna Patton – clarinet & vocals; and Owen Morrison – guitar & feet.

# **ELIXIR**

The Privy Tippers are a rock-solid dance band steeped in the Southern string band tradition. They keep one foot in the South while they step into French Canadian, New England and music of the Southwestern Borderlands. Jacquie Wohl leads the band with her driving melodic fiddling. Dave Firestine is an exceptional lead and back-up mandolin player who adds a danceable punch to each and every note. On string bass, Jerry Ray Weinert lays the rhythmic foundation for the musical dance of the fiddle and mandolin. Jesse Jacob Anderson's guitar playing propels dancers into contra bliss and he also plays clawhammer banjo.

## THE PRIVY TIPPERS



## WILL MENTOR



**Will Mentor** is a contra and square dance caller from Northern Vermont known for his clear teaching, upbeat wit, and relaxed stage presence. He loves to choreograph evenings with a variety of dances and tempos that at times surprise and always delight, all the while keeping intact his guiding principle as a caller: "It's about the dancers!"

**Chris Sanders** is a Minnesota transplant to NM. She grew up in a musical home and inherited her grandmother's talent for playing by ear and her mother's life-long passion for music. She toured with the Concordia Choir and has a master's degree in vocal performance. She has taught at NM State, directing and arranging the vocal group Cider Jazz, and at University of Texas, El Paso where she directed the UTEP Jazz Singers.



CHRIS SANDERS





In addition to the above artists, look who else will be at FolkMADness! KARINA WILSON, fiddler extraordinaire; LARRY UNGER, guitar, banjo & songwriting genius; STEVE HICKMAN, fiddler, amazing hambone artist and just plain fun; ERIC ANDERSON, piano for English & contra; SANDE GILLETTE, gorgeous contra & English Country music on violin; ERIK ERHARDT, waltz wizard and our techno contra caller & DJ; NORALYN PARSONS, guest caller for English; and guest callers ERIC BLACK, DELAURA PADOVAN and MERRI RUDD.

Sound magician, **ALAN ROBERTS**, with assistance from **KRISTEN "GUMBY" FALK** will make all the music sound fabulous.





#### INFORMATION ABOUT FOLKMADNESS

FolkMADness is held at New Mexico Tech University, located about 75 miles south of Albuquerque at an elevation of 4,579 feet at the base of the Chupadera Mountains. The campus has sweeping lawns, large shade trees and plenty of outdoor space to jam. The main gym (dance hall) has a sprung wood floor. All meals are included and provided by the campus food service. Vegetarian and non-dairy options are available.

The weekend begins on Friday with registration at 4 p.m. followed by dinner and an Artists' Showcase and continues throughout the weekend with workshops, dances, concerts, jam sessions, themed evening dances (including the infamous Thrift Store Prom—outrageous outfits encouraged!), and a talent show. Festivities end on Monday with lunch after the farewell dance.

#### **FACILITIES**

Dorm rooms have two twin beds and shared bathrooms, some of which are "down the hall". Bring your own bedding, pillows, towels and bathrobe. If you are unable to bring these items, you can rent linens (sheets, blankets, pillow and towels) for \$15 per person. Single rooms with shared bath are available for an additional fee. Bring an extra towel for the outdoor swimming pool.

#### **CHILDREN**

FolkMADness is a child-friendly event. Children's activities are offered throughout the day. Evening care is organized by the parents. All parents are expected to assist with one children's activity and take a turn at childcare. Older children are encouraged to join us at the dances and workshops.

### **WORK-TRADE POSITIONS**

If you are interested in financial assistance in return for help with essential tasks, please contact Marina Bertelli (mjbertelli@gmail.com) **before April 1, 2014** to see if an appropriate position is available. The number of positions is limited. Work-trade participants receive a \$100 discount on adult registration or \$80 discount on young adult registration.

## **VOLUNTEERING AND SNACKS**

All participants are asked to sign up during registration for a 1 hour chore and to bring something for the snack table.

### **FINANCIAL AID RAFFLE DONATIONS**

Please bring arts and crafts, musical instruments, CDs, dance wear, costumes and other fun items to support our financial aid program.

## **DONATIONS**

Your help in providing financial assistance is greatly appreciated and is fully tax-deductible.

#### PETS

Sorry, furry friends are not permitted on the New Mexico Tech campus.

### **CANCELLATIONS**

Your fee, less \$35, will be refunded if you cancel by May 10. After May 10, your full fee will be retained if we cannot find a replacement attendee.

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Contact Registrar, Melissa Wilson, at 505-247-2032 or melissarwilson@comcast.net
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