

# This Week in Princeton (July 25 - August 4, 2017)

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**This Friday, July 28, 2017** at 8 PM **Albena** will be programming an **all-dance night**.

**Next Friday, August 4, 2017** at 8 PM **Ron** will be teaching. **Teymour & Susan** will be programming.

**Reminder:** Free admission on first Fridays!

We usually dance on Friday nights from 8-11 PM at the Suzanne Patterson Center, 45 Stockton Street (aka 1 Monument Drive), off Rte. 206/Stockton Street and behind the former Police Station/Borough Hall in Princeton, NJ. Regular admission is \$5, except for special programs which are usually \$10. The first Friday of each month is a free dance for all unless a special event happens on that night! The first four times are free for newcomers. In consideration of dancers with sensitivities, please do not wear FRAGRANCES. Thanks!

If bad weather and potentially dangerous driving conditions are forecast and a decision is made to cancel the dance, you will be sent an email with that information. Please check your email on those nights to see if there is a folk dance message.

**Tuesday International Folk Dancing** for all ages. From 7:30 - 9:30 PM every Tuesday. Ethnic dances of many countries using original music. Lines and circles, no partner needed. Beginners welcome. Lesson followed by dance. Admission: \$5. Venue: YWCA (Multipurpose room), 59 Paul Robeson Place, Princeton (corner of Paul Robeson Place and Rt. 206). For further information call (732) 230-3755 or visit [www.princetonfolkdance.org](http://www.princetonfolkdance.org). In case of inclement weather, please call the YWCA Emergency Closing number, [609 497-2100, ext. 9](tel:6094972100) or check online at [www.ywcaprinceton.org](http://www.ywcaprinceton.org).

**For details about the following events and for more folk dance related events, please see p. 2 below.**

## **New posts this week:**

>> Rick Speer has posted **Kabile's** full tour schedule at <http://balkandance.net/Kabile2017/>. Just a reminder: They will be appearing in Princeton on Friday, August 25th.

## **Reminders:**

>> **August 5 - 12, 2017 2017 East Coast Balkan Music & Dance Workshop** Venue: Iroquois Springs; Rock Hill, New York. For details, visit <https://eefc.org/balkan-camp/east-coast-balkan-music-dance-workshop/>. Scholarships available. Visit <https://eefc.org/balkan-camp/scholarships/>.

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# International Folk Dance and Related Events

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## NEW YORK- NEW JERSEY

**August 6, 2017** at 1 PM **Heritage Sunday: Echoes of the Revolution**. Exploring the transformation of music and dance traditions under socialist states and how leading contemporary artists are working to reclaim & reinvigorate these genres. Featured: Albanian superstars Merita Halili & Raif Hyseni (Steve Kotansky dance leader), Dancing Crane Georgian Dance, Cheres Ukrainian Folk Ensemble and Central Asian dancer (& USSR People's Artist) Malika Kalontarova. Venue: Hearst Plaza, Lincoln Center Out of Doors. Info: <http://www.ctmd.org/events.htm>.

**August 18, 2017** at 7 PM An evening of dancing, singing, eating and drinking with **Demiran Cerimovic** from Vranje Serbia, **Kabile** band on tour from Bulgaria and **Zlatne Uste Balkan Brass Band!** Cash bar and delicious Bulgarian food prepared by Ma Mma Mila will be available for sale. Venue: Hungarian House; 213 E. 82nd St.; New York, NY. For details, visit <https://tinyurl.com/ya7xu7kl>. Info: 646-831-8720.

**August 25, 2017** at 8 PM Princeton Friday Night Folk Dance presents an evening of Bulgarian music and dance featuring the traditional wedding band, **Kabile**. Venue: Suzanne Patterson Center; 45 Stockton St., Princeton, NJ. Admission: \$10. Please bring a snack to share. For more information, write to Susan at <pfdfd1@gmail.com>

**August 26, 2017** at 3 PM Join the **Princeton Country Dancers** for a **special dance** featuring **Gaye Fifer and Hot Coffee Breakdown** (Tom Cunningham, Luis deLeon and Kate Sanders). Venue: Suzanne Patterson Center; 45 Stockton St., Princeton, NJ. Admission: Afternoon only: \$13 (reduced \$8-13); Evening only: \$17 (reduced \$12-17); All day: \$27 (reduced \$16-27) Note: 'Reduced' rate is for students & those with limited incomes. For more information, visit [www.princetoncountrydancers.org](http://www.princetoncountrydancers.org) or call Larry 908-359-4837. For a copy of the event flyer, write to Susan at <pfdfd1@gmail.com>.

- 3-6 PM For Experienced Dancers: Unusual Dances & Treats
- 6-7:30 PM Potluck at the Hall for everybody (Bring a dish to share with other hungry dancers!)  
For Everybody:
- 7:30 PM Contra Basics & warm-up session
- 8-11 PM Contra Dance for All

**August 31, 2017** at 6:30 PM A program dedicated to the memory of **Vassil Bebelev** (1960-2016), a Bulgarian bagpipe (gaida) virtuoso. The program will include the screening of a documentary followed by listening to and dancing to traditional Bulgarian music recorded by Vassil Bebelev. Venue: The Lawrence Headquarters Branch of the Mercer County Library; 2751 Brunswick Pike; Lawrenceville, NJ 08648. Registration is suggested. Call 609-989-6920 or email <lawprogs@mcl.org>. For more information, visit <https://tinyurl.com/ycrvocqr>. For a copy of the event flyer, write to Susan at <pfdfd1@gmail.com>.

**September 22, 2017** at 7 PM (N.B. Date change from 9/8) An evening of Bulgarian music and dance featuring the traditional wedding band, **Kabile**. Delicious Bulgarian food prepared by Ma Mma Mila will be available for sale. Venue: Hungarian House; 213 E. 82nd St.; New York, NY. For details, visit <https://tinyurl.com/y8mnp89x>. Info: 646-831-8720.

**September 23, 2017** at 4 PM **The Tamburitzans** in concert. <<http://www.thetamburitzans.org/>> Sponsored by Holy Apostles Eastern Orthodox Church in Saddle Brook, NJ. Venue: Clifton High School Auditorium; 333 Colfax Ave.; Clifton, NJ. Tickets \$35 in advance/\$40 at the door. They may be purchased online at <https://talentshadows.events/category/Tamburitzans>, by emailing Rebecca Fiorini at <rebeccabogo@yahoo.com>, or by calling her at (908) 391-1436. For a copy of the event flyer, write to Susan at <pfdfd1@gmail.com>.

**September 24, 2017 Mostly Waltz** will be in Princeton with Nobody's Bizness (Bob Pasquarello, Mat Clark, John Krumm, Rory Cohen, Daniel Beerbohm). Venue: Suzanne Patterson Center; 45 Stockton St.; Princeton, NJ. More details to follow. To learn more about Mostly Waltz, visit [www.mostlywaltz.com](http://www.mostlywaltz.com) or call 215-643-4397 or 215-512-5051.

**October 22, 2017** at 5:30 PM Save the Date! **Sukhishvili**, the Georgian National Ballet, will appear at Lincoln Center in Manhattan. Details TBA. To view the trailer, visit <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ltdKM3Q4eoY>.

**January 12 + 13, 2018** at 7 PM **The Golden Festival**. Two nights of Balkan border-crossing celebration. Venue: Grand Prospect Hall; 263 Prospect Ave.; Brooklyn, NY. For more information, visit [www.goldenfest.org](http://www.goldenfest.org). This is the 2017 website which will be updated as the date gets closer.

**May 11-13, 2018 International Folk Dance Camp (IFC)** returns featuring guest teachers Sonia Dion & Cristian Florescu, Maurits van Geel, and Moshe Eskayo. Venue: Circle Lodge, Hopewell Junction, NY. For more information, write to Joan Hantman at <jehdance@gmail.com>. For a copy of the "Save the Date" flyer, write to Susan at <pfdfd1@gmail.com>.

## PENNSYLVANIA

**September 13, 2017** at 7:30 **Save the Date!** Bulgarian folk dance party with **Kabile!** Sponsored by Beaver Folk Dancing. Venue: Or Hadash; 190 Camp Hill Rd.; Fort Washington, PA. Further details TBA.

**October 27-29, 2017 International Folk Dance Weekend in Pennsylvania's Pocono Mountains.** Featuring **Yves & France Moreau** and **Steve & Susan Kotansky**. Venue: The Inn at Pocono Manor; Route 314; One Manor Drive, Pocono Manor, PA. The weekend is sponsored by: The Folk Dance Council of the Delaware Valley, the Kimberton Folk Dancers, Folk Dance on Fridays, Beaver Folk Dancing, and the Roberson International Folk Dancers of Binghamton, NY. For more information: John Pittcock at [rninercsp@hotmail.com](mailto:rninercsp@hotmail.com) and 610-827-1486 or Richard Fried at [richardfriedmd@gmail.com](mailto:richardfriedmd@gmail.com). To obtain an event flyer, write to Susan at <pfdfd1@gmail.com>.

## Camps, Tours, Seminars, etc.

**July 28-August 7, 2017 10th Folkdance Seminar** led by Prof. Nikolay Tsvetkov. Venue: Blagoevgrad, Bulgaria. For more information and registration, please contact [balkanbrugge@telenet.be](mailto:balkanbrugge@telenet.be).

**July 30 - August 5, 2017 Kaba Gaida Workshop** Venue: Slow Tech Campus; Rahovitza, Bulgaria. For details, visit <https://www.facebook.com/events/999085263555842/> or [http://www.kabagaida.com/up/Kaba\\_Gaida\\_Workshop\\_2017.pdf](http://www.kabagaida.com/up/Kaba_Gaida_Workshop_2017.pdf).

**August 5 - 12, 2017 2017 East Coast Balkan Music & Dance Workshop** Venue: Iroquois Springs; Rock Hill, New York. For details, visit <https://eefc.org/balkan-camp/east-coast-balkan-music-dance-workshop/>. Scholarships available. Visit <https://eefc.org/balkan-camp/scholarships/>.

**August 8-21, 2017 7th Annual Dos Aguas Cuba Tour** with Oyu Oro, led by Oyu Oro's founder and native of Cuba, Danys "La Mora" Pérez. Visitors will experience dance, music, theater classes, performances by prestigious companies, jazz concerts, the beautiful beaches of Cuba and much more. For more information, visit <https://tinyurl.com/y9tqsf2z>.

**August 13–19, 2017 Session One of Mainewoods Dance Camp. August 20–28, 2017 Session Two.** The teachers and musicians for this year's camp have been posted on the website. Registration is now open for 2016 Mainewoods members. General registration begins January 25. For details, visit <http://www.mainewoodsdancecamp.org/>.

**August 18-21, 2017 Hora Eclipse** dance camp at YMCA Camp Lakewood, in the Mark Twain National Forest, about 75 miles from St. Louis, MO. A once-in-a-lifetime event combining a dance camp with viewing the total eclipse of the sun on Monday, August 21, 2017! Classic Israeli dancing, international folk dancing and possibly some contra, ballroom, or swing. Transportation will be coordinated from the St. Louis Airport to the camp, and from the camp to the best eclipse viewing location. For more information and to register, visit [www.hora-eclipse.com](http://www.hora-eclipse.com). For information about Camp Lakewood, visit <http://www.ymcaoftheozarks.org>

**September 1-4, 2017 World Village Music & Dance Camp** (formerly known as Buffalo on the Danube). Venue: Timber Ridge Camp; High View, WV. For details and registration information, visit <http://www.dancingplanetproductions.com/dancecamp.htm>.

**September 1-4, 2017 Balkanalia!** A festival celebrating Balkan music and dance. Venue: Camp Angelos; 32149 SE Stevens Rd.; Corbett, OR. For more information, visit [www.balkanalia.org](http://www.balkanalia.org).

**September 15 - 17, 2017 Enon Valley Fall Folk Dance Camp** featuring **Roberto Bagnoli** (International Folk Dances) and **Marcie van Cleave** (Czech and Slovak Dances). Sponsored by the Tuesday Night Folk Dance Group of Pittsburgh. Venue: The SNPJ Recreation Center; 270 Martin Rd.; Enon Valley, PA. For a copy of the flyer, write to Susan at <pfnd1@gmail.com>.

**September 22-25, 2017 WorldCamp USA** Iroquois Springs, near Rock Hill, NY. For more information and to register, visit [www.worldcamp.us](http://www.worldcamp.us)

**October 5-17, 2017 Dance & Cultural Tour of Hungary** with Steve & Susan Kotansky and Zoltán (Batyu) Fárkás & Ildiko (Fecske) Toth. For details and to register, please visit [sskotansky.com](http://sskotansky.com) .

**October 6-8, 2017 Ellen Golann's International & Israeli Folk Dance Weekend** featuring **Yves Moreau** (Bulgarian) and **Danny Pollock** (Israeli). Venue: Circle Lodge; Sylvan Lake; Hopewell Junction, NY. For information, contact Ellen Golann (516) 921-0003 or [egolann@verizon.net](mailto:egolann@verizon.net). To obtain a copy of the flyer, write to Susan at [pfnd1@gmail.com](mailto:pfnd1@gmail.com).

**October 6-8, 2017 Midwest Hellenic Dance Festival 2017** featuring workshops and a Glendi on Saturday night. Venue: St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church; 10301 S. Kolmar Ave.; Oak Lawn, IL. For details, visit <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/midwest-hellenic-dance-festival-2017-registration-33179536888>.

**June 1-12, 2018 Bulgaria Folk Dance Festival Tour** led by Ira Weisburd and Mitko Petrov. For more information, send an email request for a flyer to: [dancewithira@comcast.net](mailto:dancewithira@comcast.net).

#### **HELPFUL WEBSITES**

For additional information, check out these **websites**.

- **Princeton:** [www.princetonfolkdance.org](http://www.princetonfolkdance.org).
- **Philadelphia and beyond:** [www.phillydance.com](http://www.phillydance.com).
- **NJ/NY and beyond:** <http://njfolkdance.tripod.com/> and <http://BobRadcliffe.net/Events/>.
- **Balkan events:** <http://balkandance.net/2017BalkanEvents/>

## Regularly Scheduled Folk Dance Groups

### Tuesday International Folk Dancing (Princeton)

Tuesday International Folk Dancing takes place every Tuesday from 7:30-9:30 PM at the YWCA (Multipurpose room), 59 Paul Robeson Place, Princeton (corner of Paul Robeson Place and Rt. 206). Ethnic dances of many countries using original music. Lines and circles, no partner needed. Beginners welcome. Lesson followed by dance. Admission \$5. First time free. For further information call [732 230-3755](tel:7322303755) or visit [www.princetonfolkdance.org](http://www.princetonfolkdance.org). In case of inclement weather, please call the YWCA Emergency Closing number, (609) 497-2100, ext. 9 or check online at [www.ywcaprinceton.org](http://www.ywcaprinceton.org).

### Highland Park Folkdance Circle

Highland Park Folkdancers meet every Thursday from 7:00 to 8:30 PM at the Highland Park Senior Center; 220 S. 6th Ave; Highland Park, NJ. Warm, welcoming group. Dinner afterward. For information visit <http://www.highlandparkfolkdancecircle.org/> or call [semmlow@gmail.com](mailto:semmlow@gmail.com) or 723-249-6999.

### Princeton Country Dancers (PCD)

Contra and English country dances, as well as Morris, Longsword, Rapper Sword, Molly, Garland, and May Pole dance teams, and a house Pick-Up Band. All events are open to the public. Live music always  
When: Every Wednesday evening (8-10:30pm); Contra dance - 2nd Saturday of each month (8-11PM); English country dance - 4th Saturday of each month (8-11pm); Contra dance - selected Sundays (3-5pm) – Family dances. Children welcomed and encouraged to dance and/or play in the Mixed Age Dance (MAD) Band! All \*Fifth\* Wednesday dances **free** for those 35 and younger.

Where: Suzanne Patterson Center; 45 Stockton St., Princeton, NJ. Admission: Regular Wednesday dance: \$10 regular admission; Limited Income Rate: \$5-10 (for students, seniors, and anyone in between with a limited income.) Saturday Dances: \$11 regular admission; Limited Income Rate: \$5-11 (for students, seniors, and anyone in between with a limited income.). \* Special events may have a different admission charge. Beginners are welcome! An Introduction to Basics workshop is offered before each dance (starts at 7:30pm for regularly scheduled dances).

First-time contra or English dancers will get free admission to their first regular Wed. or Sat dance. They will also get a coupon to come back to their second dance for free. In addition, any regular dancer who brings a first-time contra or English dancer to the dance will get half-price admission to the dance that night. For more information, visit <http://www.princetoncountrydancers.org/>.

- **July 26, 2017 Contra dance** with Sue Gola/Desiree Melegrito-Halcomb and ACED (Adlai Waksman, Carol Carpenter, Enid Diamante, and Doug Healy)
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### **Balkan Cafe Wednesdays -- On summer hiatus.**

Every Wednesday 7:15 - 9:15 PM through June 14, 2017. Live music every week with a variety of musicians mostly from the New York area. There will be brief instruction or "quick teaches" of the dances that will be played by the musicians by Michael Ginsburg. Fingerfood and drinks (beer and/or wine) will be available for purchase. Venue: 455 W. 56th Street; New York, NY. \$15 per class; subscription rate available. For details, visit <https://www.facebook.com/pg/BalkanCafeNYC/events/>. Info: 646-831-8720.

### **Young Bulgarian Voices New York**

Every Sunday, classes in Bulgarian dance, gaida, and tupan. Venue: 525 W. 50th St.; New York, NY (1st Floor). Suggested donation \$10. For information, visit <https://www.facebook.com/ybvny?fref=ts>.

- 11-2 PM Bulgarian Language and Singing (for kids and young people)
- 11-1 PM Kaba Gaida
- 11-1 PM Tupan
- 12-1 PM Bulgarian Folk Dance
- 1 PM Horo Na Megdana with live music - Kaba Gaida, Tupan, Gadulka.

### **Central Park Folk Dancing**

Every Sunday from 1-6 PM. Dances from around the world! Beginner informal teaching at 1 PM, occasional instruction as the session progresses. Partners not necessary. Venue: The Dancers' Circle, between Turtle Pond and the statue of King Jagiello, mid-park between 79th and 80th Sts. in Central Park, Manhattan. Suggested donation: \$5. Visit <https://www.facebook.com/Central-Park-Folkdancers-597473633706425/>. For more info or cancellations, please call Walter at: 212-206-1351 or 917-873-2026.

### **Summer Dancing at Phipps Plaza!**

Every Monday evening from 7 PM till whenever! Dancing for everyone with lots of teaching! No partner needed! Location: 485 1st Ave. between 28th & 29th Sts. in Manhattan. Go to the lobby and tell Security you are here for Folk Dancing. Questions? Call Walter at 917-873-2026. **Important new detail:** If you are going to attend, please email Walter at [wftenerife@yahoo.com](mailto:wftenerife@yahoo.com).

### **Scandia New York -- On summer hiatus until September 13, 2017**

Most Wednesdays from 7:00 - 10:00 PM. Venue: Town and Village Synagogue; 334 E. 14th Street; New York, NY. Enter at the door to the right of the main entrance. All levels welcome. No partner needed. Wear hard soled shoes with a low heel, best for turning, if possible. Snacks will be provided. You may bring kosher goodies to share if inspired to do so. Suggested donation: \$10.00. For more information, visit <https://sites.google.com/site/scandianewyork/>.

- **August 12, 2017** at 5 PM Ilija and Nancy invite the group to a pool/dance/dinner party. Location: 1285 Martine Ave.; Scotch Plains, NJ. Contact: 908 889 1969.

### **NY Klezmer Series**

Every Thursday from 6:30-11 PM, starting September 8, 2016. Venue: The Jalopy Theater; 315 Columbia St.; Brooklyn, NY 6:30-8 PM. For a schedule of bands & dance leaders, visit

<http://aaronalexander.com/wp/concert-schedule>. Don't forget the City Winery Sunday **Klezmer Brunch**. Info: [http://www.citywinery.com/newyork/tickets.html?event\\_genre=620](http://www.citywinery.com/newyork/tickets.html?event_genre=620)

### Tuesday Night Folk Dance (NYC)

Every Tuesday Night, 7-10 PM. Venue: 3929 Studios, 39 West 29th Street, between 6th Ave. & Broadway; 2nd floor (press 2 in elevator). If the street door is locked, press "2" on the intercom Admission: \$15 at the door or \$10 per session with a 5-week subscription. Free parking is available after 7 pm on 29th and 28th Streets. There may be parking after 6 pm in the area but please read signs carefully!  
Studio Phone: [646-727-7032](tel:646-727-7032); Walter's Phone: [917-873-2026](tel:917-873-2026)

### Tuesday International Folk Dancing (Philadelphia)

Every Tuesday night, from 8:20 to 10:05 PM. Venue: **Allens Lane Art Center**; 601 West Allens Lane; Philadelphia, PA.. All are welcome; no experience or partners needed. Please wear soft-soled, non-marking shoes. On-site parking available. Suggested donation: \$5 -- to support Tuesday Folk Dancing. Sponsored by the Folk Dance Council of the Delaware Valley, [www.folkdancecouncil.org](http://www.folkdancecouncil.org). For information, contact Steve at 610-359-0926 or [steveclarkeb@gmail.com](mailto:steveclarkeb@gmail.com). GPS users: "601 Allens Lane" may take you to 601 East Allens Lane, but that's not where you want to go. If your GPS (like mine) doesn't accept "601 W Allens Lane," try "614 W Allens Lane" which is across the street from our location.

- **July 25, 2017** Rita and Peter will be leading.

### Beaver Folk Dancing

Every Wednesday night year-round from 7:30-9:30 PM Venue: Or Hadash; 190 Camp Hill Rd.; Fort Washington, PA. Admission: \$7.00, or \$5.00 for Or Hadash members Free trial! No charge your first time. Recreational, international folk dance group open to everyone. Lines, circles, couples... Teaching and requests at all levels. For more information: <http://beaverfolkdance.org/>

Also, monthly **Israeli dance sessions** from the First Generation repertoire. Dates for each month will be announced. The cost is \$5 per person. For more information, contact Amy Gross at [amybaby18@msn.com](mailto:amybaby18@msn.com).

- **September 13, 2017** at 7:30 **Save the Date!** Bulgarian folk dance party with **Kabile!** Further details TBA.

### Cinnaminson NJ -- On summer hiatus

#### International Folk Dance Parties

Generally the **first Saturday of the month**; 8pm to 10:30pm. Mostly requests, oldies, and non-couple dances with an emphasis on dances from eastern Europe and the Middle East.  
Venue: Unmarked gymnasium of Westfield Friends School; 2201 Riverton Road, Cinnaminson, NJ 08077 (0.1 miles east of Route 130) Suggested donation \$8 per adult. Children accompanied by an adult are admitted free. Please bring snacks to share. Please no alcohol.

Directions: From Route 130 take Riverton Road (Route 603) southeast toward Moorestown. Turn right into the second driveway on the right. The driveway is not well marked but is bordered by two short brick pillars. After a few feet the driveway curves left to run parallel to the road. Follow to 20-space parking lot between the street and the gym. If you go more than 0.1 miles east from Route 130 then you have gone too far. For more information please contact Clark Loveridge at (267) 939-8137 or [cloveri@juno.com](mailto:cloveri@juno.com).

- **September 2, 2017** program by Rita Coleman

- **October 7, 2017** program by Hannah Chervitz

## Folk Dance on Fridays

Every Friday year round, 1-2:30 (with a few scheduled cancellations announced in advance). Location: the Center on the Hill (in the Presbyterian Church of Chestnut Hill), 8855 Germantown Ave., Chestnut Hill, Philadelphia, PA. Admission: first time free, \$7/session, or \$60 for block of 10. International Folk Dance; all levels welcome. Special 12:30 - 1pm "pre-session teaching" weekly. **Bill Wadlinger** leads the sessions. Occasional free events (dance parties with live music, film screenings of interest to dancers and lovers of world music. Weekly email newsletter after every session. Occasional guest teachers. Details and contact info: see <http://www.folkdancefridays.org>.

## Friday Folk Dance

International folk dance every 2nd & 4th Friday from 8 to 10 PM. Location: Palmyra Community Center; 30 W. Broad St.; Palmyra, NJ. Suggested donation: \$5. For more information, write to South Jersey Folk Dancers at njfolkdance@gmail.com.

## Jim Gold Folk Dance Classes!

Fun! Excitement! Exhilaration! Growth! Expansion! Friendly people! No partners needed! Beautiful music to fill your ears and fire your soles! Learn to soar, while others merely waddle!

- **Every Monday** from 7-9 PM. Venue: St. Paul's Church; 113 Engle Street; Englewood, NJ.
- **First Friday** of every month from 8-10 PM. Venue: First Congregational Church; 14 Brookside Drive; Darien, CT.

For information, Jim Gold: 497 Cumberland Ave.; Teaneck, NJ 07666; (201) 836-0362; [www.jimgold.com](http://www.jimgold.com); <http://www.jimgold.com>; email: [jimgold@jimgold.com](mailto:jimgold@jimgold.com).

## International Folk Dancing with Betty Ciallella

Thursday nights from 7:30-10:00 P.M. Intermediate level with emphasis on Balkan, Romanian and Israeli. Great group of people. Beautiful room with sprung-wood floor. Refreshments served. Venue: The Riverside Community Church; 100 Gilbert Ave.; Elmwood Park, NJ. Fee: \$10.00

## Maplewood Folkdancers

Dancing every Thursday at 8:00 PM with Ron Weston. Venue: The Burgdorff Culture Center (across from Maplewood station) at 10 Durand Rd. in Maplewood, NJ. Air-conditioned comfort.

## Kimberton International Folk Dance Society -- On summer hiatus.

Some Friday nights from 8:00-10:30 P.M. in Kimberton, PA (Phoenixville area). (Schedule below) Beginners and experienced dancers are welcome. Partners are not necessary. Dances will be taught and requests will be taken. Venue: Beaver Run Farm community building; Seven Stars Rd. near the Kimberton Waldorf School; Kimberton, PA. Bring your requests and a snack to share. Please wear soft-soled, non-marking shoes- preferably no outside shoes, to protect the floor. Cost: \$5.00 per person. For more information, please call John and Nancy 610-827-1486 or Alison 610-942-4261. We will be taking a break from dancing during the summer.

## Germantown Country Dancers

**Every Wednesday**, English Country Dancing and allied dance forms in the greater Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, area. Unless otherwise noted, Wednesday night dances and events are held at the [Merion Friends Activity Building](#) in Merion, PA, from 8:00pm to 10:15pm. Beginners' orientation at 7:40.



New and inexperienced dancers and musicians actively welcomed. Admission \$7. First time attendees receive a free pass for next visit.

**First Saturdays:** Workshop 3:00-5:30 PM. Admission \$8. Dance 7:30-10:30 PM. Admission \$9. Both \$13. Venue: Summit Presbyterian Church; Greene & Westview Streets; Mount Airy, Philadelphia.

**Second Sundays** 3:00-4:30 PM. Old time fun for all ages. Admission \$5 for adults; \$2 for kids; \$15 max. Venue: Summit Presbyterian Church; Greene & Westview Streets; Mount Airy, Philadelphia.

For details: <http://www.germantowncountrydancers.org/>

## Mostly Waltz

**Fourth (sometimes fifth) Sunday** of every month. The program is weighted to waltzes; other couple dances make up the balance of the program. Refreshments served at the break. Your kosher snacks to share are welcome. Venue: Felinton Hall; Beth El-Ner Tamid; 715 Paxon Hollow Rd.; Broomall, PA 19008. For details, visit their excellent and informative website: <http://www.mostlywaltz.com/> or call 215.643.4397 or 215-512-5051.

## International Music Jams

The **International Folk Sounds** band hosts a monthly jam for musicians and singers who want to play and sing international dance music. The repertoire draws from many different areas including the Balkans, Russia, Scandinavia, Armenia, Israel, Turkey, U.S. and many others. We've had bagpipes to washboards plus traditional instruments! All are welcome!

When: Third Monday of each month. 8:00 - 9:30 p.m. (Come a little early to set up.)\*

Where: Susan and Don Anderson's; 655 Crestwood Road, Wayne, PA 19087-2356

What to Bring: Instrument or voice and a music stand. Music is provided (including b flat) or bring enough to share. Refreshments are provided too! Yummy!

For more information, visit [http://www.internationalfolksounds.org/?page\\_id=577](http://www.internationalfolksounds.org/?page_id=577)

- Schedule of the next International Music Jams: August 14, September 18, October 16, November 20, December 18.

## Arden Folk Dance Guild

All dances are held at the Arden Gild Hall; 2126 The Highway; Arden, DE, 7:30-9:30 PM. For information, call 302 478 7257 or 610 277 0844, visit [www.ardenclub.org](http://www.ardenclub.org), or see us on Facebook on Arden Folk Guild.

- June 25 from 3-5 PM, Sunday Arden In Motion, sponsored by the Folk Guild, will be stretching, moving, and exploring dance and movement improvisation to live music each month. Open to all, no prior experience needed. Followed by an informal potluck and get-together, feel free to bring food and refreshments. Fee: \$15 adults, \$12 Club Members, children under age 16 free with an adult. Dates: July 23, Sept. 24, Oct. 29, Nov. 19, Dec. 10.
- September 2 Volunteer for the 111th Arden Fair selling lemonade 10 AM - 6 PM for 1 hour slots, also participate in dancing 1-3 PM. Call June: 610 277 0844.

## Edison International Folk Dance Group

Tuesdays: 8:00 pm-9:45 pm; Saturdays (for beginners): 3:00pm-4:45pm

Location: Edison M.B.V Community Center, 1070 Grove Ave., Edison, NJ 08820

Website: <https://sites.google.com/site/eifdg2008/>

Email: [eifdg\\_whr@yahoo.com](mailto:eifdg_whr@yahoo.com)

## Palisades Folk Dancers, Tenafly, NJ -- On summer hiatus

The Palisades Folk Dancers, a recreational dance group, continues its fall season This 30 year-old organization teaches international folk dancing at all levels from Greece, Turkey, Bulgaria, Romania,

Serbia, Macedonia, Albania, Israel, Russia, Armenia, Scotland, Holland, Brittany, Czech Republic and Slovakia.

Classes are held from 3-5:30 p.m. two Sundays a month, September through early June, at The Church of the Atonement, 97 Highwood Ave., at Engle St, Tenafly, NJ. Suggested donation \$10. Everyone welcome. No experience or partner needed. No enrollment. Spacious, well-lit room with wood floor. Casual dress. Soft-sole shoes. Free refreshments. Easy street parking 10 minutes from George Washington Bridge.

The Palisades Folk Dancers event schedule is at: <https://www.nj.com/events/event/palisades-folk-dancers/440704/>

By Car: Palisades Parkway Exit 1 to light. Turn right onto 9W North for 1.7 miles. Left onto E. Clinton Ave. (sign for Tenafly); 1.7 miles to traffic light on Engle St. Right onto Engle St. for 0.4 miles to next traffic light, which is Highwood Ave. Entrance for dancing is on Engle St. Police permit parking only on the street, not in the driveway.

By Bus: NJ Transit ([973-762-5100](tel:973-762-5100)) #166 from Port Authority; Red & Tan ([201-384-2400](tel:201-384-2400)) #84 or #14 from GWB to Tenafly Railroad Station, 1 1/2 blocks East (up the hill) to church. Port Authority Bus Information Center ([212-564-8484](tel:212-564-8484)).

For additional information, call Ginny Brandmaier at [201-768-4268](tel:201-768-4268) Donation: \$10 except for special events.

## **Morristown Folk Dancers, Mountain Lakes, NJ**

MFD Session Schedule: Every Wednesday evening

Basics teaching at 7:30 / Intermediate-Advanced: 8:00; Regular dancing begins at 8:30. (**Suspended during the summer.**)

Admission: Supporters: \$5, others \$6 (First-timers get their 1st visit free during regular dance evenings.)

Party nights take place on the first Friday of the month.

\*\*\*\* **Summer schedule thru Labor Day:** No Basics sessions: \*\*\*\* Dancing starts at 8:00, except for special early sessions.

Directions to Mtn Lakes & other info about our group:

[http://njfolkdance.tripod.com/fd\\_morristown.html](http://njfolkdance.tripod.com/fd_morristown.html)

Meetup page (join the group!) [www.meetup.com/morristownfolkdance](http://www.meetup.com/morristownfolkdance)

MFD dance videos / All of Loretta's videos:

<http://vimeo.com/user5573587/videos/sort:alphabetical>

Or click "show all" on right of any video to see all of Loretta's videos. (To improve sound+video synchrony, click blue HD letters - TURNS OFF Hi Def)

MFD's party pictures: <http://picasaweb.google.com/robproper28> (Thanks Robert!)

## **Folk Dance Unltd.**

Tuesdays, 7:30-10:00 PM @ Green Brook Middle School  
132 Jefferson Ave.

Green Brook, N.J. 08812

More info.: Elizabeth at [908-753-8929](tel:908-753-8929)

## **Israeli Dance in Cherry Hill**

Tuesday nights -- Temple Beth Sholom, 1901 Kresson Rd, Cherry Hill, NJ 08003.

7:00-7:45: beginners; 7:45-9:30: intermediate and advanced

\$7 per session; \$3 for students under 21 and first time dancers

For more information, contact Sharon Polsky: [cherryhilldance-owner@yahoogroups.com](mailto:cherryhilldance-owner@yahoogroups.com)

## Israeli Dancing in Hillsborough

Temple Beth El, 67 US Hwy 206 No, Hillsborough, NJ 08844

Thursday Nights, Time: 7:30 - 9 PM; beginners, please contact instructor (908-327-0503) for pre-7:30 instruction. For more information, please call 908-327-0503 or email [dancesfromtheheart@gmail.com](mailto:dancesfromtheheart@gmail.com)  
Cost: \$10

## Israeli Dancing with Miriam

Every Thursday evening; 246 North Avenue, Garwood NJ. From 7-8, beginner Israeli couple dancing followed by circles and couples for intermediate/advanced dancers. For information, directions etc. contact Miriam Handler at [732-306-5407](tel:732-306-5407) or [handlermiriam@gmail.com](mailto:handlermiriam@gmail.com)

## International Folk Dancing with Christine -- On hiatus for the summer

**First and third Sundays** - Request parties from 1:30-4:30 PM. Contribution: \$15.

**Every Tuesday** – Classes teaching old and new dances from 1:30-3:30 PM. Contribution: \$12.

Everyone is welcome!

For more Information: Call Christine@1-212-505-1961 or email [cam39@earthlink.net](mailto:cam39@earthlink.net)

Venue: Chelsea Studios, 151 West 26<sup>th</sup> St. (between 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> Aves) in Manhattan - an inviting space with a wooden dance floor, air conditioning, and an excellent location close to buses, subways, Penn Station, Port Authority and street parking!

Bring a friend, bring a smile, bring a nosh, bring requests! Join us!

In case of bad weather or for more information call Christine at 212-505-1961 or email [cam39@earthlink.net](mailto:cam39@earthlink.net) – Chelsea Studios: 212-924-5877

## Ellen Golann's Folk Dance Classes

Monday Morning 9am-12:30pm Israeli - American Legion Hall, 115 Southern Pkway, Plainview, NY.

Thursday Night- 7pm-8pm Beginner Class - Israeli; 8pm-10pm - Intermediate Balkan Class - American Legion Hall, 115 Southern Pkway, Plainview, NY

For more info call Ellen at 516-921-0003; email: [egolann@verizon.net](mailto:egolann@verizon.net)

- **October 6-8, 2017 Ellen Golann's International & Israeli Folk Dance Weekend** featuring **Yves Moreau** (Bulgarian) and **Danny Pollock** (Israeli). Venue: Circle Lodge; Sylvan Lake; Hopewell Junction, NY. For information, contact Ellen Golann (516) 921-0003 or [egolann@verizon.net](mailto:egolann@verizon.net). To obtain a copy of the flyer, write to Susan at [pfdfd1@gmail.com](mailto:pfdfd1@gmail.com).

## Metro DC Area - Greenbelt International Folk Dance -- On hiatus in August through Labor Day weekend.

**Every Friday night 8:30-10:45 PM International Folk Dancing.** Line, Circle, and Couple Dancing from the Balkans, Europe, Scandinavia & Other Places. Dance teaching until approximately 9:00 or 9:15 then request dancing until 10:45. \$7 Admission (Students and seniors half price.)

**Venue:** Greenbelt Community Center - Dance Studio; 15 Crescent Rd.; Greenbelt, MD

(In case of inclement weather, call 301-474-0646 or 301-397-2208)

Newcomers and beginners are welcome. For information, contact Larry Weiner (301) 565-0539 / [larry@larryweiner.com](mailto:larry@larryweiner.com) and John & Sheila Robinson (410) 715-9210.

## Dance Tours and Vacations

Jim Gold International, Inc:

2017 Tours

**ROMANIA!** . . . August 5-17: Led by Jim Gold

**SCOTLAND!** . . . August 7-20: Led by Richard Schmidt

**CULINARY TOUR of BULGARIA!** . . . July 4-July 15 and September 4-15: Led by George Vishegonov  
<<http://bit.ly/2kGpSA2><http://bit.ly/2kPbQyQ>> \$3995

**BULGARIA WINE TASTING TOUR!** . . . July 13-21, 2017, Sept 15-23: Led by George Vishegonov

**BALKAN SPLENDOR!** . . . October 15-29: Led by Jim Gold and Lee Otterholt. (Serbia, Croatia, Bosnia/Herzegovina, Montenegro)

#### **Looking Ahead: 2018-2019**

**ISRAEL!** . . . March 11-22, 2018. Led by Jim Gold and Joe Freedman \$3995

**JAPAN!** . . . April 15-28, 2018 Led by Richard Schmidt. \$5595

**NORWAY/DENMARK/SWEDEN!** . . . June 12-25. Led by Lee Otterholt \$3495

**POLAND!** . . . June 11-25. Led by Richard Schmidt

**5-COUNTRY BALKAN ADVENTURE!** . . . July 29-August 12, 2018. Led by Jim Gold

**SPAIN!** . . . October, 2018. Led by Jim and Lee Friedman

**GREEK ISLAND TOUR!** . . . October, 2019 Crete/Santorini: Led by Jim Gold and Lee Otterholt \$3795 (app)

**ARGENTINA!** . . . February, 2019. Led by Jim and TBA

Visit [www.jimgold.com](http://www.jimgold.com) for itineraries, details, YouTube videos. Flyers are available on request by writing to Susan at [pfdfd1@gmail.com](mailto:pfdfd1@gmail.com).

#### **INTERESTING**

- Rick Speer has posted **Kabile's** full tour schedule at <http://balkandance.net/Kabile2017/>.
- The 70th annual **Llangollen International Musical Eisteddfod** was held this year from July 3rd to 9th. The festival features performances of music and folk dance from around the world. Highlight videos from this year's competition can now be viewed on YouTube at <[llangollen.tv](http://llangollen.tv)>. (Note: The site opens up in Welsh, but you can switch over to English by clicking on the link in the upper right hand corner.) Thanks to Kathy and Mike Protenic for the heads-up!