The Folk Dancer

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CHRISTMAS AROUND THE WORLD

A Fusion of Cultures, this year's Christmas Around the World concert will be performed December 5th and 6th in the BYU Marriott Center.

The exotic sounds and movements of India, will open this year's program as we fuse and blend the cultures of the world in this unique concert. New choreography featuring the exciting traditions of flamenco dance and guitar will also be premiered. The new piece, choreographed by Katerina Tomas will be performed to the sounds of flamenco guitarist, Stephen Dick. Theatre Ballet will also be featured as our special guests as they perform with us in the new choreography, Celtic Encounters. And as a special treat, over 100 dancers from throughout the Wasatch Front will perform Absolutely Everybody, an energetic clog that is sure to make you smile. In addition, many of our own favorites from Bulgaria, Hungary, Israel, Mexico, Romania, and Ukraine will ignite the stage, promising to make this year a celebration not to be missed

We are once again offering a Saturday afternoon performance in addition to our evening performances on December 5th and 6th. Evening performances begin at 7:30 p.m. Saturday's matinee will begin at 2:00 p.m.

We extend a special invitation to each of you to attend a private reception for alumni, past tour leaders, and close friends of our program immediately following the Saturday matinee performance. It will be held in the Cougar Room located adjacent to the ticket office beginning at approximately 4:00 pm.

Tickets go on sale November 1st at 8:00 am for *A Fusion of Cultures*, this year's Christmas Around the World concert at the Marriott Center Ticket Office, 1-800-322-BYU1 or 378-BYU1. For the best possible seating, we suggest you order your tickets early.

NORMA PARDOE WRIGHT ANDERSON, 1915-2003

We would like you to be aware of the passing of Sister Norma Pardoe Wright Anderson. Sister Andersen has been a wonderful friend to the Folk Dance Ensemble, and her daughter and son in-law, Christine and Gary Hunter generously established a scholarship for our program in her mother's name, *The Norma Pardoe Anderson Performance Award* in 2000. While at BYU Sister Anderson taught tap and clog dance classes, and became one of the first women cheerleaders. We will miss her very much.

Her two granddaughters, Abby and Mindy, and Mindy's husband Gary Larsen have all been very active in our world dance program at BYU. Abby is currently a member of the Performing Arts Company.

SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS, 2003-2004

Congratulations to our students who were selected to receive scholarships for our current season. We thank each of you who have given generously to our program making these scholarships possible.

Mary Bee Jensen Endowment
Gregg Crockett, Orem, UT
Emilee Savage, Provo, UT

Excellence in Folk Arts
Bob Gardner, Albuquerque, NM
Hillary Boeing, Milwaukee, WI

Viltis Award
Willis Pueblo, Lindon, UT
Alex Beach, Sacramento, CA

Norma Purdoe Anderson
Performance Award
Morgan Busath, Sacramento, CA

Harmon Scholarship Ryan Davis, La Vegas, NV Peter Lamb, Pendleton, WA Lindsay Turner, Palos Verdes, CA

CELEBRATING 50 YEARS

The Fiftieth Anniversary of the founding of the folk dance program in 1956 by Mary Bee Jensen will be celebrated throughout 2006. We are now planning a variety of activities that will bring us all together. Our largest gathering is planned to take place during the summer so that you and your families might arrange your vacations to be in Utah. Keep July of 2006 open and we will keep you posted as we finalize the details. Please mark it on your calendars and plan to be with us!

FOLKDANCE BYU. EDU

The next time you get a chance, take a look at our new website. You will find information regarding concerts, alumni, recreational dancing, folk dance offerings at BYU and many other pieces of information that will keep us all linked together.

LOST ALUMNI

The following is a list of people who have moved and have <u>not</u> updated their new addresses. (We also lost some names in the computer crash of 2002.) Please help us locate any you may know so that we can keep them informed of our 50th anniversary celebration. We want to see as many of you as possible. Please send any information to: Vickie Austin, 259RB-BYU, Provo, Utah, 84602

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Christensen, Richard

Davis, Lorie Nicholes

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Cook, Kelly Jex

Colton, Paul

Dart, James

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Kimber, MaryAnn D. Kirkpatrick, Bill Knight, Troy Lancaster, April Larsen, Kenneth Larsen, Mark Laudie, Rick Lee, Donald Lee, Doug Lemon, Jason Lemmon, Lynell Patton Littlefield, Joseph Logozzo, Iris Lysy Lowder, G. Douglas Lunt, Joan Larsen Lynch, Lani Henderson Madsen, Andrew Madsen, Katrina Mangum, Gary Mann, Marilyn Blauer Martin, Janna Martin, Jay Martinez, Andy McCord, Larry McDaniel, Rena McGrew, John Metzger, Kurt Midgeley, Bruce Mikesell, Swen Molinera, Mike Molinero, Melanie Devos Mondale, Carrie Moen Montegue-Judd, Danielle Mortensen, Bartley Nakamura, Michiko Nelson, David Nelson, Kayleen Penrod Newby, Rand D. Nicolayson, Don Nielsen, Becky Bradford Nielsen, Daniel Nielsen, Heather Nielsen, Kirk Oliver, Julie Johnson Olsen, Byrl Olsen, Lucille Davies

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Paxman, Isaac Peterson, Jack Randall, Trigg Randall, Kathryn Burgener Rasmussen, Mark Rasmussen, Scott Reber, Keith Reynolds, Melissa Rhodes, Peggy Rice, Chris Richardson, Melvin Roberts, Cynthia Robins, Tanya Lee Rock, Janet Barainea Rosenberg, Shane Rucker, Justin Russell, Gordon Rutherford, Diane Schultz, Donna Secrist, Kristen Sinclair, Robin Snow, Mike Spencer, Jack Stapley, Caprice Nielson Stapley, Chris Stevens, Julie Stoddard, Evan Stowell, Jeffrey Taylor, Claudia Smith Taylor, Troy Thomas, Annette Thornton, Richard Thornton, Jodi Tolman, Vince Triplett, Teresa VanSlooten, Michael Wahlquist, Ralph Walker, Cam Walker, Chris Walton, Mary Polley Warcup, Joanne Callister Wardle, Mark Wells, Anne Butler Westenskow, Glora B. Williams, Heather monoson Woolley, Phillip