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from the Editor.

As you can see we now have a printer with the incredible ability to print photos so they look like photos. I feel we should make use of that talent and at the same time show off some of our folk dance photo buffs.

Many of us take pictures of folk dance events, costumes, places of interest and sometimes just our fellow folk dance friends. Why not let SCENE readers share those memories with you? Unfortunately no one here at the SCENE gets paid so there is no money in it for you but you will get a credit line.

We can use black and white or color, prints or slides.

If possible please send copies or originals that you don't want returned. Send the pertinent information such as who, what, when, and where about the photos.

I haven't seen many of you coffee-house orphans since the Intersection closed. It was always such a great way to keep in touch. Let's continue to keep in touch. Where are you dancing? What has replaced the "I" for you.

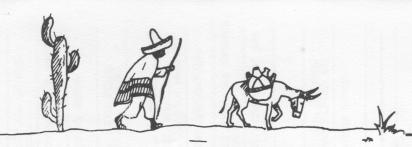
Ruth Roberts, Rick Wilson and Nancy Tamarin have been working hard to find a nest for us. I would personnelly like to thank them for their tireless efforts.

Does anyone know anything about a place in the marina where you can do Greek dancing- I heard that many of you have started going to ethnic find out about them?

Marvin Smith

COVER: CUICACALLI DANCE TROUPE

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On Saturday, September 7 at the Santa Monica College Amphitheatre (1900 Pico Blvd., Santa Monica), the new, second edition of BLACK BALLET JAZZ U.S.A. will be presented. Show starts at 8:30 p.m.

Conceived by Irwin Parnes and choreographed by Chester Whitmore ("the tap dance phenom''), dances will be performed to jazz classics by Scott Joplin, Jelly Roll Morton, Earl "Fatha" Hines and Duke Ellington. The program takes you on a jaunt through two centuries of Black dance in America, from African Drum rituals in New Orleans' Congo Square thru Dixieland, Blues, Ragtime, the fad dances of the Cotton Club era and World War II to

today's renaissance on Broadway, in films and in street dancing.

All seats are \$12.50 and can be purchased at the Department of Community Services, Santa Monica College, or at any Ticketmaster outlet.

The Folk Dance Federation has just received a letter from Ali Serdaroglu, President of the International Marmara Folklor Festival, Istanbul, Turkey, giving us the dates for the 9th International Festival. These are June 10-15, 1986.

Mr. Serdaroglu writes, "we like to exhibit authentic and vivid dances, joyful music, colorful costumes, and of course, traditional hos-

He would like pitality. to have photos, posters, casettes, books, pamphlets and other sorts of information concerning interested groups for their use in advertising and for other arrangements. He would need all of the above information with regard to participation in their testival by September 30, 1985. Letters written in English are acceptable and can be sent to:

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The NORDISKA NEWS, a quarterly publication, has been newly revived. The new editor, Julie Normand, says, "interest in traditional

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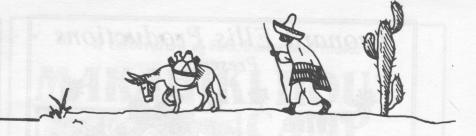
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Scandinavian music and dance has been growing steadily in the United States in recent years. There is great activity in various cities, but often the people from one area don't know what's going on in the next state. Also, people planning trips to Scandinavia need practical information--in Englishabout testivals and events there."

Articles and interviews will spotlight individuals active in promoting traditional Scandinavian dance and music. Regular features will include special events in the U.S., festivals and events in Scandinavia, and a regularly updated directory of Scheduled Classes and Parties in the U.S. Also included will be intormation on helpful organizations in this country and abroad, as well as suppliers of records and costumes.

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The Department of Dance at San Francisco State University has announced a new class, 'ETHNOLOGY OF DANCE', to be offered on Tuesday nights in the Fall, 1985 semester.

According to Associate Professor Dr. Jerry Duke, the class will cover anthropological, folkloristic, and sociological theories that apply to the study of the function and relationship that folk and ethnic dances have within a culture. Stu-

dents will be encouraged to apply these theories to the particular dance form that most interests them.

The class is part of a newly approved concentration of studies through the Dance Department designed and directed by Dr. Duke. Prospective students not enrolled in a degree program may register for the class thru Extended Education. For information, write or call Dr. Jerry Duke, SFSU - Dance Department, 1600 Holloway Ave., San Francisco, CA., 94131, (415) 469-2244.

News from the MENDUCINU WOODLANDS CAMP ASSOCIATION.

Thanks to the petitions and letters and postcards sent by folkdancers to legislators, urging that the Mendocino Woodlands be retained as an educational/recreational and conservation center (off-limits to logging), the lease has been granted to this group.

Now, there is a Work Weekend scheduled by the Friends of the Woodlands on September 28-29th. This will be a good time to contribute directly to the health of the camps, and have a great time doing it. Contact Dean or Nancy Linscott, 40 Glen Drive, Mill Valley, CA 94941 (phone (415) 383-1041) for details.

### UUPS!

In the July/August issue of the Scene, we omitted a very important new officer from the list of new Federation officers. She is Laura Sauter, Director of Extension. To contact her, either write to 12221 Beach Blvd., #30, Garden Grove, CA 92641, or telephone at (714) 892-9/66.

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By Preston Ashbourne

Leonard Ellis is a long-time folkdancer and musician who is currently active with Skandia. He's produced folk music shows seen on cable TV and is currently expanding this business to include cassette production. This is the first.

This tape is not really meant to be dance music. The title, Circle of Dreams, means what it says; this is dreamy, sit-by-the-fire music. But much of it IS danceable. The pieces include 7 waltzes, 4 schottishes, 2 foxtrots and a jig.

The entire contents of the tape seem to be paced the same; perhaps deliberately to mesmérize the listener into the desired 'dream state'! It's romantic, lyrical, melodic and undemanding. The tunes have some very interesting melodic lines and make you believe that this was material written by some great 'name' composer instead of a fellow folkdancer!



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# DICK & DAVE TO HOLD TEACHING SEMINAR

With the blessing and sponsorship of the Folk Dance Federation, Dick Dakes and Dave Slater will hold a seminar for would-be folk dance teachers. The idea was born because of a widespread need for more folk dance teachers, classes, and clubs.

They have agreed to teach a couple of day-long seminars, with classes <a href="limited">limited</a> at each session to 20 people. The first session will be held:

# Saturday, October 19, 1985 - 10am to 4pm - COST \$10.00

Are you the right person for this class, or do you know someone who fits the following description?

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Dick and Dave would like each group to <u>select</u> and <u>sponsor</u> at least one candidate with the above attributes.

Due to limitations of teacher-student ratio they will select participants from the application (see below). If you are not a member of a group and would like to participate, complete the bottom half and send the form in with your own supportive material and letters of recommendation. Participants selected will be notified by mail. The fee will be collected at the seminar.

A large repertoire of dances is <u>not</u> necessary, nor does one need to be a leader <u>now</u>. The session will emphasize participation. Individual efforts will be evaluated not only by the instructors, but by the group as a whole.

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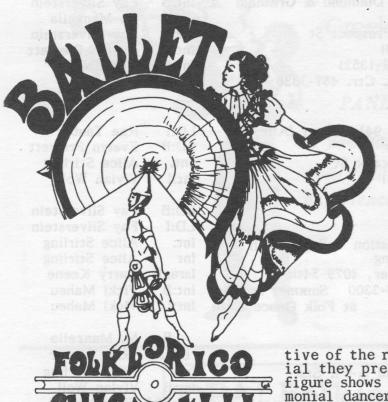
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Cuicacalli is a Nahuatl word meaning "house or school of song and dance". It is an appropriate term to define this group. Founded in the San Fernando Valley in 1974, it's main purpose was to cultivate community interest in the folkloric traditions of Mexico, including those of dance, music and costuming.

According to Alfredo Calderon, general director of the group, there has been a cultural crisis in the Los Angeles area for the Mexican peoples. "Just listening to Mariachi music and eating tacos does not give one the needed cultural identity base. You must understand your grass roots to understand yourself."

One aspect of this "school" has been the formation of a performing group. The emblem of the group is representa-

tive of the range of material they present. The male figure shows a Quetzal ceremonial dancer and conceptualizes the pre-Hispanic foundation of Mexican culture. The female represents the more contemporary folkloric dance. In unison, they form a unit in which both forms of dance blend in harmony.

An interview with Alfredo Calderon gave us a bit more insight into the characterer of this group.

The people of the group are what Alfredo terms "community dancers". "one have had previous professional training. 'nce in the group, members are immersed in the history and background of various regions of Mexico. They are trained to master the style of these regions and to absorb the essential character of the people. The members must "feel" and present character "as true to life as possible". For example, the people of the Jalisco region are generally very open, bold and flirtatious. On the other hand, those of the Michoacan area

tend to be more humble and earthy in character. These differences in outlook must be projected by the performers to make the dances seem authentic.

This brings up the question of authenticity. If a dance is staged, is it still a "folk" dance? How much tradition is retained and how do you do it?

Alfredo had interesting answers to these questions. He feels there are many aspects to "folksiness".

One relates to the environment in which dances were originally done. The dance and the surroundings were often so tightly interwoven that they became one unit. To maintain this interrelationship, he tries to create the appropriate stage "environment" for his dancers. 'Remember that we are 'theatre'. That means creating an 'illusion of reality". He employs scenery and lighting to immerse the performers and audience in the appropriate atmosphere. In one suite, incense is burnt on stage, adding to sensory illusion.

Costuming adds to the scene. Unfortunately, 'real' costumes are very expensive, so the group can rarely afford to buy them. Instead, one is purchased and used as a template for copies.

What about the dances themselves? How "real" are they? How much choreography enters into the picture?

into the picture? According to Alfredo, they are carefully researched and kept as authentic as possible. He and Emilio Rivas, the artistic director of the group, return to Mexico on the average of once every 3 years, to do research. Often they corroborate with ethnographers and choreographers from the University of Guadelajara to reconstruct materials for the dances. Many of the Mayan dances have been choreographed based on descriptions left by friars. They have also used anthropological pieces, such as bark paper books, sculptures and wall paintings, to give clues to movements used. In this manner, many similarities between Mayan dance and Indian dance of the Mudrah group have been found. Many of the pre-Hispanic dances were part of religious ceremonies. Dancing was a way of communicating with the Gods. Unfortunately, many of these dances have disappeared. The Old Man's Dance, in which young men dance in old man masks, to the God of Fire, is one which has survived. Another is the Voladores dance. This one is a spring dance to the fertility Gods.

In their original form, many of these ceremonial dances would last for hours. On

these,"we explain the context and length of the original to the audience and shorten the dance, retaining the essential elements."

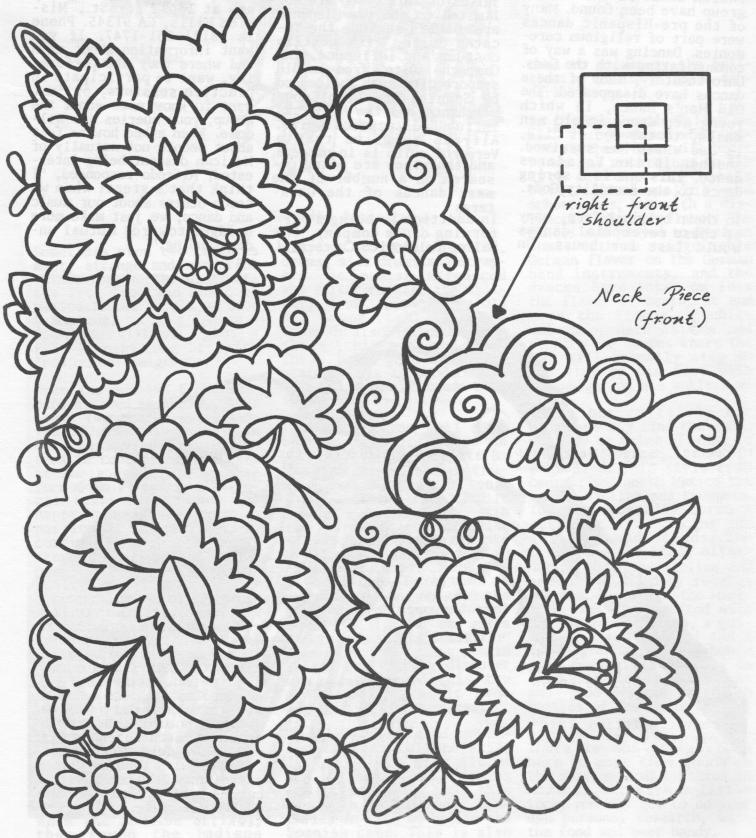
As the woman on the group's emblem indicates, the dance suites of this group are not limited to the pre-Hispanic era. Others include the Yucatan Suite, with mestizo costume and influence, the Campeche suite, from an old seaport city much influenced by Spanish and Afro-Cuban merchants, and the Europeaninfluenced Zacateca suite. Alfredo tells us that a Veracruz suite is in process and that they are doing re-search on a number of the mask dances of the Galateras

In addition to being a performing dance company, the Ballet Folklorico Cuicacalli functions as an information pool for interested people. They teach the history, origin, character and environment of dances, as well as scenery and theatre techniques.

Headquarters for the group are at 14651 Fox St., Mission Hills, CA 91345. Phone is (818) 361-1747. If you want information about when and where they are performing, want to participate in practice sessions, or just want to know more about the group, your queries are welcome. When asked how he felt about people not actually of Mexican descent being interested, Alfredo responded, "I think that's great! When we teach others about our music and dance, we just make more bridges towards mutual understanding."



# The Gala Dress



# of Yucatan... THE "TERNO YUCATECO"

Lupe De La Rosa, Ethnologist

Indian Dresses of Mexico

Mexico can boast of having a huge number of Indian groups within its boundaries---each one different and distinctive, and each one conscious and proud of its own characteristics. Despite external (1) efforts to obliterate native traditions, most Indian groups cling tenaciously to their own language, traditional forms of shelter, food and social organization. Moreover, they continue to adhere to their own aesthetic code, which includes crafts, music, dance and costume.

As a result, the number and variety of native costumes present in Mexico is staggering. Each group favors a different style of dress which characterizes it, despite losses the native cultures suffered as a result of the Spanish Conquest. One of the effects of this conquest was the introduction of new types of garments. As some of the old styles of clothing were lost, new ones were absorbed, resulting in a distinctive type of rural non-Indian costume. This emerged everywhere and acquired regional characteristics which made it as rich and varied as its Indian counterpart. This is known as Mestizo dress.

The characteristics which differentiate the Indian from the Mestizo dress can be divided into three main areas:

A) Manufacturing techniques
Most Indian dresses are
made of fabric woven on back
strap looms. Designs are

brocaded and/or embroidered on the cloth. Natural dyes are used to color the fibers (although more and more commercial yarn is being used by the weavers). The designs used as decorations on the garments encode some symbolic meaning and many times these designs have their own names; they are transmitted from one generation to the next from mother to daughter

Mestizo dresses, on the other hand, are mostly made of commercial fabrics of different types, depending on the region.

B) Style

For the most part, the female Indian dress of today is similar in shape to the styles preferred by their pre-Columbian ancestors, as the illustrations of many codices indicate. This is a sack-like garment called a "Huipil" (Wee-peel), or 'Hipil" (Ee-peel) as it is known in Yucatan. It is made by joining 2, 3, or even 5 strips of hand woven cloth to give it the desired width It is then folded in half and sewn on the sides, leaving two openings for the arms, and a slit or round hole for the head.

The Mestizo dress, in contrast, greatly resembles the European styles from which it evolved: full, long ruttled skirts worn over equally full and ruffled petticoats, tight-fitting bodices with full sleeves, and sometimes high, sometimes low necklines. The decorations consist of buttons, lace, ribbons and pleats.

C) Distribution

This refers to the specific population that uses each type of dress. We see that the "huipiles" are preferred by the most conservative Indian women; whereas the Mestizo dress is favored by the rural women who are in more and closer contact with the larger society.

The Dress in Yucatan

This dress has been selected for various reasons: it's simple, beautiful, and elegant. It offers a range of possibilities for its recreation. But mostly, it was chosen because it is unique in its genre: it is tradi-tional and contemporary at the same time, and it is perhaps the only dress in Mexico that cuts across social and ethnic lines, being used by both the Indian and Mestizo women of Yucatan. Finally, the dress itself includes symbolic as well as historical elements that enrich it beyond its utilitarian aspect.

According to Lechuga (1982: 53) archaeological evidence demonstrates that the Mayas of the Classic Period--between the IV and X centuries A.D.--wore the most lavish, elaborate and varied dress of Mesoamerica. The dresses were manufactured of cloth richly brocaded, embroidered or woven with feathers. It was also decorated with beads, shells, and/or precious stones. Their jewelry and head decorations were equally elaborate. But by the time the Spaniards arrived, this richness had given way

# GALA DRESS OF YUCATAN: THE ''TERNO YUCATECO''

to a more subdued style, apparently due to the influence exerted by the Mexica or Aztec. Lechuga notes that the archaeological evidence for this period is very sparse, but we have a brief commentary by Landa. For this time the female attire consisted of a wrap-around garment known as "pik" in Mayan. It was tied to the waist with a belt or "faja", no top, and a cloth covering the head. The latter served as a blanket at night. Landa noted that the women of Bacalar and Campeche also used a piece of cloth tied under the arms to cover the breasts and commented that these women were "truly modest". (Landa, 1978:54). The women of the elite used huipiles that were much shorter in the front than in back, and therefore, gave the appearance of a cape (Lechuga, 1982:58). The fine cloths used in the manufacture of these huipiles were woven in backstrap looms and their edges were finished in a round technique or in a step like fashion that was also prevalent in Peru. The designs that decorated the dresses of both men and women were "symbols related to the Mayan religion, as well as stylized representations of the planets, the calendar and the Gods" (Lechuga, 1982 :59).

As elsewhere in Mesoamerica, the elaborate dress identified its wearer, not only as a privileged member of the elite, but even as a member of a specific rank and/or particular association.

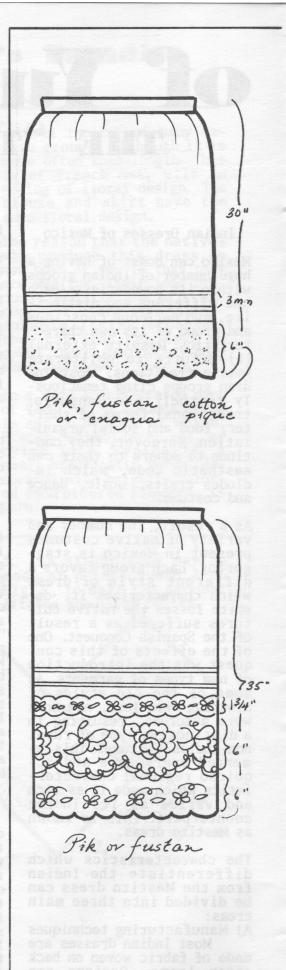
The Terno Yucateco

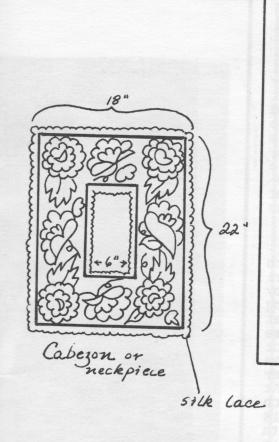
At present this complexity is gone, leaving a rather simple style that, paradoxically enough, is the very essence of its elegance.

"Terno yucateco" or "traje de gala de la mestiza yucateca" (gala dress of the Mestizo women of Yucatan),

not only designates the most elaborate of the Yucatan dresses, but also brings to mind the many festive occasions for which it is reserved: Vaquerias, Charlotadas, weddings, baptisms, etc. Terno is the Spanish derivative of the number 3, and may either reter to the three embroidered pieces that decorate the dress providing color contrast to an otherwise all-white background, or to the three separate which torm the dress. In the past these were the top or "hipil", a skirt or "pik" and a white "rebozo" (shawl) embroidered with the same motits as the dress. But since the embroidered rebozo has been replaced by the commercial type of ditterent colors, perhaps terno now refers to the hipil and the two "fustanes" the women wear: the outer one decorated in a manner similar to the top, and the inner one done in all white and used as a petticoat. Whatever the meaning of the name, this is the dress in which the typical dances of the regionthe "jaranas"- are performed. Though the association may be fortuitous--"jaranas" are played and danced at most festive occasions, and one wears one's "Sunday best" to attend festivities---it is also culturally determined: jaranas are the preterred type of music/dance in Yucatan and the "terno de lujo (gala dress) is the typical dress of the region. Inevitably music, dance and dress are joined together, each becoming a symbol for the other.

At such occasions, the women endeavor to wear the most lavish renditions of this dress. Each one is made of the best material the owner can afford: linen or cotton batiste or heavy satin (this being the most traditional choice) or even silk. The embroidery on the finest is done by hand. Though several techniques are used, the most appreciated is crossstitch, known as "xocbishuy" (shock-bee-shuy) in Mayan.





The most traditional motifs were grecas, animals, and naturalistic or geometrical designs; at present the most popular designs are flowers, in bouquets, garlands or individual. In the past embroidery was done in one of two favorite colors: red or purple. The latter was obtained from the secretion of the Murex snail. Now, motifs are embroidered in a multitude of colors.

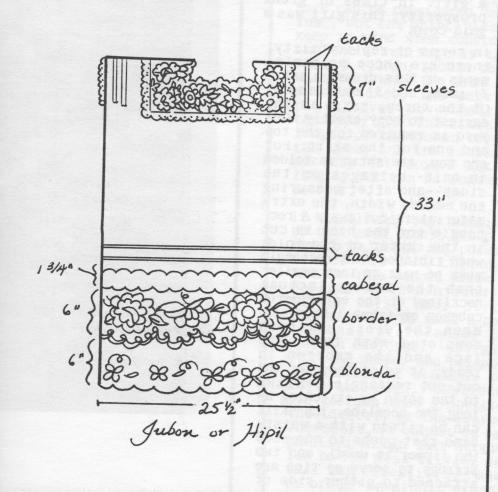
The Xocbishuy has a long history in Yucatan, going back to pre-Columbian times, as archaeological evidence indicates. Mayan women of today not only prize and favor this type of embroidery but believe like their ancestors that the source of talent and inspiration re-

sides in the Rattle Snake, the scales of which form highly individual and complex designs. Thus, in order to become a talented embroiderer, a woman must undergo a ceremony at the age of twelve; in this ceremony, she is made to touch a Rattle Snake for that purpose.

The Structure of the Dress

The terno yucateco consists of an hipil, a pik or fustan (skirt) and another pik tor a petticoat. The accessories include a silk shawl, a long rosary of gold or silver tiligree beads (used as a necklace and usually a tamily heirloom), gold tiligree earrings, and at each affair a brand new ribbon for the hair. Shoes in the past were traditionally pumps with low heels made of heavy satin and embroidered in gold or silver threads, or silk of different colors. One detail made these shoes ditferent and unique: the toes turned up in a point in the style of Arabian slippers. They are known as "zapatos morrongos" (Morrongo shoes). Unfortunately they have now disappeared and have been replaced by modern styles, preferrably white in color.

The top or jubon is made of a piece of white satin folded in halt (see diagram) and sewn on the sides allowing openings for the arms. A square is cut out in the center to create a neckline, and this is subsequently overlaid with a frame-like piece, heavily embroidered. The inner and outer edges of this frame, and the sleeve openings are decorated with silk lace l' wide. Two or three vertical tucks 3 mm wide emphasize the sleeve openings (see sketch). Additionally, two or three horizontal tucks also 3 mm wide outline the bottom of the satin portion of the dress. Lace 2" wide called "cabezal" is attached immediately below the tacks and separates the satin from the embroidered border. This by itself is called "cenefa"



(narrow strip). The ceneta is decorated with geometric, animal or thoral designs embroidered by hand or machine or even printed. The lower border is scalloped, perhaps symbolizing inverted pyramids, though in pre-Columbian times they seemed to have been stylized representations of snake rattles. Finally, attached to the scalloped edge of the cenefa is the 6" wide lace called "blonda". Both types of lace (the cabezal and the blonda) are manufactured specially for the Yucatan, Campeche, Quintana Roo and Oaxaca market; and because this lace is so characteristic of Yucatan dress, it deserves a brief explanation. The cabezal is tinished or scalloped on both sides--hence the name; whereas the blonda is only finished on the lower border, also scalloped. The diversity of thoral designs that decorate the lace can be mixed or matched.

The pik is made of the same material as the jubon, and is decorated in the same way; except for the bottom layer of lace, which in some dresses is double. The bottom layer is left slightly longer than the top one. The pik used as petticoat is of fine cotton and decorated with a cotton pique border.

There is no "true" front or back to this dress; therefore one may use either side No belt is used. It is customary to use a rosary of coral, gold or silver tiligree beads as a necklace. Each woman choses the color of her own rebozo and wears it draped over the shoulders except when dancing. Then it is placed on her back and the ends are wrapped around her arms, keeping it tense at the same time that she holds the jubon in front of her with the tips of her fingers. Hair is twisted into a bun and pinned at the base of the neck, using only a comb, then a large bow the same color as the rebozo is placed over the bun. Some women finish by placing some

tlowers on one side of the bun.

Women who have shown an unusual ability in the performance of the traditional jaranas indicate this by wearing a band of red silk ribbon over one shoulder and tied below the waist on the opposite side. Finally, to attend a traditional 'vaqueria' (social dance event), a woman uses a straw hat decorated with a mirror in front and flowers all around the crown.

According to an old tradition, a man who wishes to dance with a particular girl makes a symbolic request by approaching her and placing over her own another hat similarly decorated. Some girls collect a tower of them and must balance them while dancing, as a further proof of their ability. At the end of the party, each man comes to retrieve his hat presenting the girl with a gift. In times of great prosperity, this gift was a gold coin.

In terms of replicability, there are three main elements of this dress: 1)satin 2) lace, and 3) embroidery. Of the three, satin is the easiest to copy exactly. One yard is required for the top and one for the skirt. For the top, the satin is folded in half--selvages on the sides -- and after measuring the needed width, the extra material is cut away. A rectangle for the head is cut in the center of the fold; when tinished this rectangle must be half an inch smaller than the inside (actual neckline) of the embroidered cabezon or frame-like piece. When the dress has been completed with tacks and lace and the cabezon is ready, it is pinned over the cut-out rectangle and sewn to the satin by stitching along the neckline. The skirt can be fitted with a waistband that opens to one side (no zipper is used), and two strings to serve as ties are attached to either side of the band.





The lace is difficult to replicate. If some cannot be sent from Yucatan, whatever lace is available may be used as a substitute, being careful only to scallop the lower border.

The embroidered cenefa can be made as narrow or wide as desired. The sketches enclosed here originally measured 13.5 cm or 5" (cabezon) and 15 cm or 6" (lower border), but can be sized at will. Motifs can be machine or hand embroidered (satin stitch). It an embroidered ceneta is not teasible and the chosen alternative is a printed border, upholstery material may provide a good garland design to use as a substitute.

Because this is a loose-titting outtit, the same dress may be used by women of ditferent sizes. A dress made with the measurements given here can be considered 'medium", but the principles to keep in mind when considering one's own size is that the top (jubon) should be so wide that when the arms are outstretched, the edge of the 'sleeves' cover half of the upper arm. The finished length of the jubon covers the knee; and the finished pik may not exceed anklelength, but can be somewhat shorter.

It has already been mentioned that each ethnic group in Mexico is proud and posessive of its own cultural traits. This ethnic pride is manifested in a myriad of subtle ways: hair style, type of folds to make a bow, regional preferences tor certain embroidery designs, etc. The proper and balanced combination of elements results in a highly distinctive costume that symbolizes the identity of the wearer. Therefore, it cannot be emphasized enough that attention to the most trivial detail can effectively "make or break" an ethnic dress's claim to "authenticity".

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# MEXICO: A Costume-Lover's Paradise

Mildred H. Walter

In 1946, I made my first trip to Mexico.

In 1985, I made my 'ump-teenth'.

On early trips, the "loot" I brought back consisted mostly of jewelry, but that soon changed. I began to buy costumes: the daily clothing of city and small town Mexican people, as well as their festival costumes.

Hand-woven cloth--often hand embroidered as well--is used by many native groups of Oa-xaca. The loom used may be a discarded one from Europe, driven by foot, or it may be a stationary hand model. In the native market of Oaxaca, Oax., many weavers sit on a small rug on the floor, with their warp attached to a nearby stationary object. An adjunct is the heavy object

which is used to tighten the weaving. Other Oaxacan dresses are made of white or black net bought by the dressmaker and embroidered with large, colorful floral designs, done as a cottage industry.

As a 'collector', I bought a number of these Oaxacan dresses in the 50's and 60's at the unbelieveably low price of \$25-30. Since then, the prices have at least doubled.

Another region known for its wonderful costuming is that of Veracruz, particularly the "Indian country". There is an ankle-length quechquemitl ("ketch-keh-mee-tl"), which is a piece of wearing

apparel typical of many native groups, although it is more often knee-length. This is of French net, with an edging of floral design. The blouse and skirt have the same floral design.

The reason that the natives who produce this dress do not spin or sew is that they are wealthy. Their land produces vanilla and oil. Except for clothing and reasonable living expenses, they can find few ways to spend their wealth--so they bury the money!

In a more sophisticated part of Veracruz, a woman's dress is apt to be made of white, French. embroidered net, or nylon lace. Typically, a small black satin apron, decorated with brightly colored embroidered flowers, is worn.

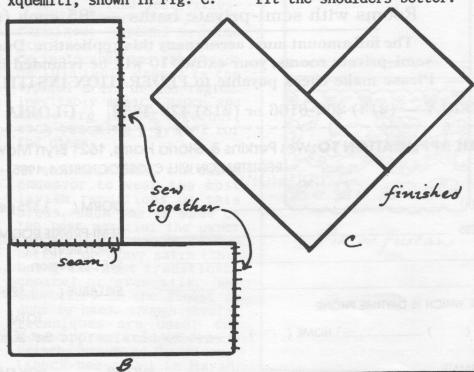
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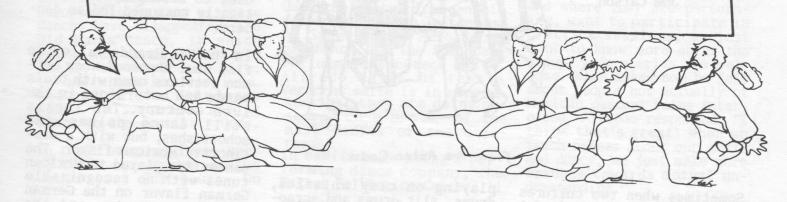
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2. Fig. B shows how the two pieces should be sewn together, producing the quexquemitl, shown in Fig. C.

3. A slight tuck may be made at points 1 and 2 of Fig. C, to make the garment fit the shoulders better.



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When the Spanish Conquistadors arrived in Mexico, they found two native civilizations. The Mayans in Yucatan were in decline, but the Az-tecs in central Mexico were at their peak. The Spanish formed an alliance with local tribes that were not happy with the Aztecs in particular and proceeded to conquer them. The Church stepped in and started a program of conversion and destruction. They tried to obliterate the traces of civilization and replace it with a panish type of culture, although they did not quite succeed. The influence of the native Indian culture is clear to anyone who has eaten Mexican food, seen Mexican monumental sculpture or Mexican murals and mosaic work, visited the charming floating gardens of Xochi-milco, or heard the different regional styles of Mexican music.

When the Spanish arrived, they found the Indians

playing on clay whistles, drums, slit drums and scrapers. he Spanish introduced the guitar family, the military drum, pipe (fluviol) and tabor (tambori). The Spanish also introduced the shawm (chirimia) and harp. These have been mixed in various ways to produce the regional types of bands seen in Mexico.

In Veracruz you will find beautiful music played on harp, guitar, and quinto (a small ukelele-like instrument played with a long, slender quill). The harp is the central instrument with the guitars providing fuller accompaniment. The quinto plays syncopated rhythms across the complex patterns already weav ng rhythms against themselves on the harp. Add to this wonderful sound the sight of the girls dancing in their "butterfly" dresses and the young men in white, and you may discover why many regard this the most charming music made anywhere in the Americas.

In the South we find the ancient Mayan culture still living in the clay flutes and various drums, rattles and scrapers. To hear this music is to step back centuries in time to before the Spanish came. This is also

used to accompany the brilliantly costumed Indian dancers.

In the Rio Grande Valley we find what happened when German settlers came with brass bands and accordions in the 19th century. The locals still dance polkas and schottishes, but with a distinctive Mexican flavor. The dances are played to Mexican tunes with no recognizable German flavor on the German band instruments, and the dances have taken on less the flavor of bratwurst and more the flavor of chile colorado. Here is the odd step in the dances where the man will actually step on the side of his foot with the weight on his ankle. Ow!

Last, but certainly not least, we may find the music most of us think of when we think of Mexico...the Mariachi band. This style from central and north México has banked violins and trumpets. The band normally forms a straight line facing the audience and stands. The trumpets take lead, alternating with the violins and are accompanied by several guitars. Sometimes the Mariachi band is augmented with a quinto, a marimba, a guitarone (bass guitar) and a Veraccruz harp. This should also have girls dancing in brightly colored dresses and good Mexican food with bottles of Dos Equis beer at

There is not enough room here to more than touch on the many musical cultures in Mexico, but with a little luck, you may get to do your own personal research, with the food and beer handy.







# BALLET FOLCLORICO NACIONAL DE MEXICO

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Early this year the LA area was again fortunate to have had several performances by the Ballet Folclorico Nacional de Mexico, presented at the fabulous Ambassador Auditoriom in Pasadena. We went on January 31st. The performance included a number of exciting suites, and showed a great variiety, with suites that ranged from Indian to European styles of dance.

The two most Indian suites were the Quetzals dance from Puebla, and the Yaqui Deer Dance. The Quetzals are beautiful birds that symbolize freedom, and one of the most striking things about this stately dance was the fan-tastic plumed headdresses won by the dancers. A flute and a drum provided the haunting music for the suite. Las Pascolas y el Venado, (The Hunters and the Deer) is an incredibly powerful piece, undoubtedly the high point of the evening. If it were not so somber, it would make a fantastic finale. The suite is danced by three dancers who represent two Yaqui hunters and a deer The deer dancer, Ignacio Dominguez Murguia, solos an excellent imitation of a deer, hunted down and eventually killed by the two archers.

Two other suites showed an interesting blend of Indian and Hispanic elements. They were a representation of a

wedding among the Tarascos of Michoacan, and a pair of dances from Oaxaca.

The Oaxacan dances began with La Pluma, a strange number combining Indian music with Spanish marches that had some echoes of the Que-tzal dance as well. This was followed by a women's dance, Zandunga, which resembled the North African Sha'abi in that the women danced with large flower-filled gourds on their heads. The dance movements were graceful and refined. The women's costume was elegant and striking, a perfect compliment to the dance. A long white dress was covered by a black sleeveless tunic and midlength skirt, both copiously embroidered with a large floral pattern.

The wedding ceremony included traditional and Hispanic elements. The dance styles of the Tarascans were much less influenced by the Spanish than the better known forms of Mexican dance like the Veracruz or Jalisco types. The Vals de los Novios (the marrying couples waltz, seem familiar?), was followed by Iguiris, an aboriginal dance. Mestizo culture, like Spanish culture, shows Middle Eastern influence, and this wedding included an amusing Moorish dance with men wearing veils (how strange!) and large baloon-like turbans. The bottle dance in this suite was impressive, as not only the men, but also the long-skirted women, jumped around and over bottles without knocking them over.

The performance included a variety of regional dances of the more Europeanized type, including the familiar Norteno (northern), Veracruz and Jalisco styles, as well as some lesser known ones. We folkdancers will see the Northern European influence in the Norteno dances, which are the Chotis (schottisch), Redoba (waltz), and Polka, all done with a lot of foot stamping. This is the dancing our cowboys picked up on and it contributed to modern square dance, among other things.

The Veracruz suite naturally included the famous La Bamba where the lead couple ties a sash into a bow with their feet, and El Zapateado with all the footstamping. We found the stage a bit too crowded in this suite, although on the whole it was lively and entertaining. The Jalisco suite, which was the finale, included some spectacular rope twirling. The dancing in this suite was less exciting, and only the rope twirling really warranted the finale position.



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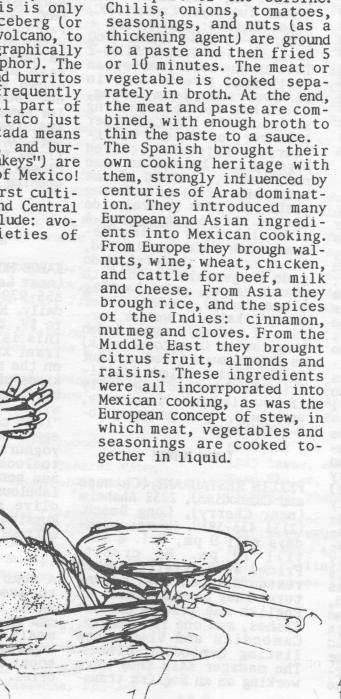
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### MEXICO

A large part of the population of Los Angeles is of Mexican ancestry, and the region abounds in Mexican restaurants. As a result, Angelinos have an image of Mexican cooking based on typical Los Angeles Mexican restaurant food. What many people don't realize, however, is that this is only the tip of the iceberg (or the smoke of the volcano, to create a more geographically appropriate metaphor). The tacos, tostadas and burritos that we eat so frequently form a very small part of Mexican cuisine: taco just means snack, tostada means something toasted, and burritos ("little donkeys") are unknown in most of Mexico! Many foods were first cultivated in Mexico and Central America. These include: avocados, many varieties of



beans, corn, chiles, choco-

late, peanuts, pineapples,

papayas, pumpkins, squash, sweet potatoes, tomatoes,

tomatillos (green tomatoes,

which are not related to the

red ones), and of course, the turkey. These food form-

ed the basis of indigenous cooking before the arrival

of the Spanish in the 15th

century. The 'mole' was the

most important preparation

in the pre-Spanish period,

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cant part of the cuisine.

Calabacitas Picadas (Chopped Squash)

1 lb zuchinni or summer squash

1 onion, chopped

1 clove garlic, chopped 1 lb tomatoes, peeled, seeded & chopped

1/2 tsp ground coriander 1-2 serrano chiles, seeded and chopped

salt to taste

1/4 lb Monterey jack cheese

Chop or slice zuchinni into 1/2" pieces.

Combine all ingredients except cheese in a pot. Cover and cook over low heat for about 10 min, until zu-chinni is cooked but still

Drain liquid. Transfer

to a baking dish.

Slice cheese thinly. Spread over zucchini. Broil until cheese starts to melt.

Pollo Verde (Chicken in Green Sauce)

2 chickens, cut in serving pieces

2 C broth 1 clove garlic

1 lb tomatillos

1 bunch fresh coriander (cilantro) 1-2 fresh serrano chiles

salt, pepper to taste cooking oil 1 large onion

1. Simmer chickens, covered, in broth, until done (approximately 1 hour).

Remove papery skins from tomatillos. Bring to boil in a pot of water. Simmer 10 minutes, until soft. Remove seeds from chiles.

3. Combine coriander, onion, garlic, tomatillos, chiles, salt and pepper in a blender or food processor. Process to a coarse puree. (If you haven't got either, you've got a lot of chopping to do. Good luck!)

Heat oil (use unflavored oil like safflower, not olive oil, butter or margarine). Fry puree for 5 min.

Add chicken to puree. Add enough broth (1/4 C at a time) to make a thick sauce.

# RESTAURANT REVIEW



Fay Wouk, Preston Ashbourne



WHU-SUNG & LARRY'S CANTINA (Mexican), 2020 E. Ball Rd., Anaheim, (714) 956-4880. Hours: Fri-Sat til 11 pm, Sun-Thurs til 10 pm. Credit: DC, AMEX, MC, Visa. Prices: \$5-11. This restaurant is part of a chain, and much of the food is pretty standard. One thing that makes this restaurant stand out is the outstanding homemade wheat tortillas that come with the meals. The enchiladas suizas (With salsa verde, swiss cheese & sour cream on top) were nice. Chicken talitas (chicken cooked with onions, peppers and spices, brought to the table sizzling on a special platter) which was not listed on the menu but is the up-and-coming special in a number of Mexican chain restaurants, was excellent.

PACO'S, 4141 Centinela (S. of washington Blvd.), Mar Vista, (213) 391-9616. Hours Mon-Thurs 10:30 am-11 pm, Fri-Sun 10:30 am-12 pm. Cash only - no credit. Prices: \$4.50-8.50. Along with the usual tacos, burritos, chile verde, chili colorado and steak picado, Paco's offers some selections that you do not find very often in Mexican restaurants; besides tish and shrimp, they also serve octopus and calamari (squid) prepared in a variety of ways. The meat dishes include a very nice carne adobada (pork marinated and grilled in a thick, tasty vinegar and tomato sauce) and a very unusual specialty trom Yucatan called cochinita pibil. This dish consists of pork cooked in banana leaves, wonderfully spiced and cooked until it's fork tender. The tortillas are the traditional kind, home made from stone ground corn flour. Nice decor, with lots of hanging plants and two tropical fish tanks, one with tiny sharks in it. Margaritas are served by the

pitcher, so you might want to avoid peak drinking times like Saturday night, since the place is small and one rowdy group can make it seem very noisy.

### HOLLYWOOD (more or less)

AGUNG INDONESIAN RESTAURANT 3909 Beverly (near Vermont) LA, (213) 660-2113. Hours: 11 am-9 pm, Sun. 12:30-8 pm. Closed Tuesdays. Credit: MC, Visa. Prices: Main dish rice, \$4-5, side dishes \$.60 to \$1.50, ice drinks \$1.50-2 This is the best Indonesian restaurant I've been to in LA. Owners are from Padang, which has the best cooking in Indonesia. You can order a dinner, or make a do-it-yourself rijstafel (called here by the Indonesian name nasi rames, instead of the Dutch rijstafel) by ordering plain rice plus several side dishes. If you do, get 3-4 side dishes per person. Recommended: sate (marinated, b-b-q meat on skewers), gado gado (vegetable salad with peanut sauce), gulai kambing (lamb curry), redang (beef curry), kalio (a wetter version of redang), sayur lodeh (vegetables in coconut milk) es kelapa muda (iced coconut drink), telur belado (chilifried hard boiled eggs-only if you like your food very, very hot), ayam panggang (bb-q chicken).

# LONG BEACH

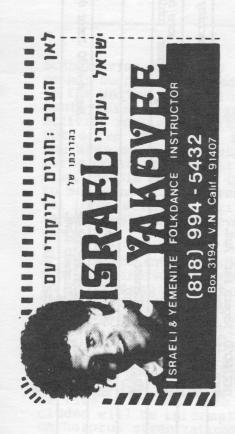
PEILIN RESTAURANT (Chinese and Cambodian), 2232 Anaheim (near Cherry), Long Beach. (213) 433-3810. Hours: weekdays till 9 pm, Fri. & Sat. till 10 pm. No credit. Prices \$4-8. Visiting this restaurant is a real adventure! They have 2 menus: an English one listing Chinese dishes, and one in Chinese, Cambodian and Vietnamese listing Cambodian dishes. The manager said they were working on an English trans-

lation for that menu. In the meantime, ordering Cambodian food is complicated. We ended up by asking for "one Cambodian fish, one Cambodian beef, and one Cambodian chicken". We were pleased with what we ended up with. The dishes were: Cambodian Beef Phlear (cold beef and onion salad, seasoned with Mint, lemon juice, peanuts, and green chilis-lettovers were good reheated the next day, too!), Cambodian Kung Pao Chicken, and Rock Cod Fish Crispy with Sour Sauce (a delicious whole tried tish with a somewhat hot brown sauce). If you like hot food and you're looking for something new and excit-ing, try the Peïlin. But be sure to call first. Twice we tried to go and they were closed for private Cambodian wedding parties.

### WEST HOLLYWOOD

KABOB HOUSE, 8870 Sunset Bl. (near La Cienega), LA, (213) 855-9791. Hours: noon-10 pm daily. No Credit. Prices: \$7 to \$9, dinners, \$2-\$3 salad. This is the quintissential Irani kabob place; nothing on the menu but 7 different kinds of kabobs (fish, lamb, beef, ground beef, chicken) with rice. Recommendations: "lamb chunks" kabob (good), eggplant salad (excellent), yoghurt salad (excellent), zooloobia (fried rosewater and honey flavored dessert, fabulous!). Note: the French olive salad is actually a Russian potato salad which's extremely popular in Iran.

A WURD OF WARNING: A place to avoid is the Shanghai Panda in Westminster. I had one of the most forgettable meals of my life there, and hopefully one I WILL forget soon! A waste of good calories.



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# Dear Scene Editors:

The supporters/organizers of the Saturday night folk dance evening at the California Jukebox Club wish to thank you for publishing our article. We also want to thank the members of the folk dance community who showed up weekly to contribute to a successful venture.

Unfortunately, as many of you are aware, the California Jukebox Club went out of business almost simultaneously with the printing of the last issue of this maga-

zine. Needless to say, we and our supporters were disappointed. Finding a suitable location, with a coffee house atmosphere was no easy feat. Many of us put in an abundance of time, energy and money in beginning an evening that we hoped would be successful and enjoyable for everyone.

Now we have no place to call 'home'. Many people have indicated to us that they miss the club and want to dance. Yet we can't work wonders. We need ideas and more indi-

viduals to become involved in the quest to save a "coffee house" evening. At this point, we are willing to accept new ideas and help, but we can't do it alone. Anyone willing to become involved or help us find a new "stomping ground" can call one of us. (All are in 213 area code)

Sincerely,

Rick Wilson 391-3708 Nancy Tamarin 277-1551 Ruth Roberts 391-8854

FEDERALION CLUBS			FIEDERATION CLUBS	
CABRILLO INT'L FOLK DANCERS	7; 30-10pm	(619)449-4631 Vivian Woll, Inst.	SAN DIEGO, Recital Hall Balboa Park.	Inter, adv dances -Tues Beg, inter on Thurs
CHINA LAKE DESERT DANCERS	CALL FOR	(619)446-2795 (619)375-7136	Call for location Call for location	Int. workshop Int.dancing; some teaching
CONETO VALLEY FOLK DANCERS	Monday 7:30-9:30pm	(805)498–2491 Ask for Gene	THOUSAND CAKS, Cultural Ctr.,	
CRESTMOOD FOLK	Monday 8:15-10:30pm	(213)478-4659, (213)202-6166 Beverly Barr, Inst.	6 WEST L.A., Brockton School, 1309 Armacost Ave.,	Int. level new dances from recent camps —dark July 22
DESERT INT'L	Mon. 7-10:30pm	(619)343-3513 Sam & Vikki Inst.	PAIM SPRINGS, Leisure Center Cerritos & Baristo Rd.	Beg. 7-8, int. 8-10:30 pm; Ya'akov Eden co-teaching!
ETHNIC EXPRESS INT'L FOLK DANCE	Sunday 8-10:30pm	Ron (702)732–8743 Dick (702)732–4871	LAS VECAS, Cinnamon Ridge Rec.Rm. 3601 S. Cambridge (near Twain)	Int'l fd & teaching Members \$1, others \$1.50
FOLKARTEERS	Friday 8-10:pm	(213)338-2929	COVING, Las Palmas Jr. High. 6441 N. LARK Ellen Ave	Beg. teaching 1st hr; int/adv. request follows.
HAVERIM	Monday 8-10:30PM	(818)786-6310 John Savage, instr.	VAN NUXS, Valley Cities Jewish Ctr. 13164 Burbank Bl.	
HOLLYMOOD	Wednesday 7:30-10:30pm	380–4355 or 292–5632 or Ruth Oser 657–1692	WEST HOLLYMOOD, W. Hollywood playground 647 n. San Vicente	
INTERMEDIATE FOLK DANCERS	Friday 8-10:30pm	(213)397–5039	CULVER CITY, Lindberg Park, Ocean Ave. & Rhoda Way	
9 KAYSO FOLK	Fri. 9am-12.noon Sat.12:30-3pm	(619)238-1771 Sognanian, instr.	SAN DIBGO, Casa Del Prado.Rm 206 Balboa Park. on Sat. 4044 Idaho st.	Begirners Sat. 12:30-1:15pm
KIRYA FOLK DANCERS I	Wednesday 10am-1:30pm	(213)645-7509 Rhea Wenke, instr.	WEST HULLYMOOD, W.Hollymood Rec. Ctr. 647 N. San Vicente	Int.10-11:45am Adv. Beg. noon-1:30pm
KIRYA FOLK DANCERS II	Tuesday 10am-1pm	(213)645-7509 Rhea Wenke, instr.	IOS ANGELES, Robertson Park 1641 Preuss Rd. cor. Airdrome	10-11:30am adv. 11:30am-1pm, beginners
LACINA	Wednesday 7:15-10:30pm	559-5672	LAGINA BEACH, Laguna Beach Hi Girl's Gym, Park Ave.	3/20 & 3/27 Review Festival Dances
LARIATS	Friday 3:30-6:15pm	(213)322-1280 Tom & Nance Mazzola	WESTCHESTER, United Methodist Church, 8065 Emerson Ave. L.A.	Int'l. folk/square/social. Grades 1st-high school
LONG BEACH JEWISH CONNUNTITY CENTER	Wednesday 7:30-10:30pm	(714)533-3886	IONS BEACH, Long Beach JC. 2601 Grand Ave. Exit I-405	Inter, class 7:30-9pm, Adv. workshop lopm with Dorma Tripp.
MORE THE MERRIER FOLK DANCERS	Thursday 8-10pm	(213)293-1304 Ask for Frank.	INGLENCOD, Rogers Park Aud. Bucalyptus & Beach	
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OTAL FOLK DANCERS	Wed.7:30-10pm	(805)649–1570	OTAL, Ojai Art Center, 113 S. Montgomery	
ORANGE COUNTY FOLK DANCERS	Fri.9-11:30pm	(714)557-4662 (213)866-4324	SANTA ANA, Santa Ana College W. 17th st. at N.Bristol	
PASADENA FOLK DANCE CO-OP	Fri.8-llgm	(213)281–7191	PASADEMA, Holliston Methodist Church, 1305 E.Colorado Blvd.	Beg 8-8:30 Inter 8:30-9
SAN DIEGO FOIK DANCERS	Mon.7:30-10pm	(619)460-8475 Five Jun Present	SAN DIEGO, Recital Hall, Balboa Park	

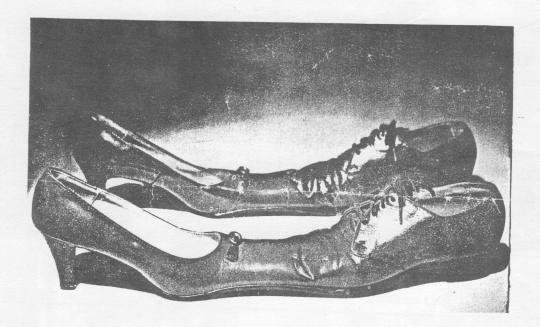
SAN DIBGO INT'IL FOLK DANCE CLUB	Wed.7-10pm	(619)422-5540 Stirling, Instr.	SAN DIEGO, Balboa Park club Balboa Park	All levels, beg.7-8:15
SANTA MARTA FOLK DANCERS	Mcn.7-9:30pm	(805)925–3981	SANTA MARIA, Vet's Cultural Ctr.	Beg. 7-8:15 then club requests
SKANDIA DANCE CIUB	Sep. 21 and 22 1-5pm workshop	(213) 459–5314 (714) 533–8667	WESICHESTER 8750 Lincoln Blvd	Workshop & party 21, no party 22
SOUTH BAY FOLK DANCERS	Fri.7:30-10:30pm	(213)375-0946 (213)541-1073	RANCHO PALOS VERDES UU Church 5621 Montemalaga Dr.	Great tohr Dave/Fran Slater July
TCHAIKA FOLK DANCE CLUB OF VENTURA	Thur. 7:30-10:30pm	n (805)642–3931 (805)985–7316	VENTURA, Loma Vista Elem School, 300 Lynn Dr.	7:30-8 adv tching Edith Sewell
TUESDAY GYPSIES	Tues.7:30-10pm	(213)556–3791 Dave Slater, Instr.	WEST L.A., Felicia Mahood Rec Ctr, 11338 Santa Monica Blvd	Tchg. int/adv. levels, New & Review
VIRGILEERS FOLK DANCE GROUP	Tues.8-lopm	Josephine Civello Director	WEST HOLLYMOD, Plunmer Park, Fuller Santa Monica Blvd	All request program, tching 8:30
WEST LOS ANCELES FOLK DANCERS	Fri.7:30-10:45pm	(213)478–4659, Beverly Barr.	WEST LA, BROCKION SCH, 1309 Armacost Ave.	Intlevel- New dances from recent
WEST VALLEY FOLK DANCERS	Fri.7:30-10:30pm	(818)347-3423 (818)887-9613	WOLKAND HILLS, Woodland Hills Rec Ctr. 5858 Show Ave.	7:30-8:00 Review Teaching
WESTSIDE CENTER FOLK DANCERS	Tues.morning 9-12:15pm	(213)389–5369 Pearl Rosenthal	WEST L.A., Westside Jewish Community Ctr. 5870 N. Olymmic	Int'l dances. Beg.9-10
WESTWOOD OD-OP FOLK DANCERS	Thur.8-10:45pm	(818)343-7621	WEST L.A. BRETSON Jr. H.S Boys Gyn	tching 8-9, 9-10:45 Inter level
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DEL MAR SHORES	Monday	(714) 593-2645	Parking off Del Mar from Chester.	reaching 8-9 mm; dancing after. Party last Thesday of month.
INT'L FOLK DANCERS	6:45 & 8:15	(619/4/5-2/76 Geri Dukes	DEL MAR, Mira Costa College 9th & Stratford ct. Del Mar.	Start Sep 23, 8WK session, Beg at 6:45 & Inter at 8:15rm
DANCE CLASS	inursday 1-3 pm	(213) 769–3765 Trudy Bronson,	WAN NUXS, Valley Cities Jewish Community Center, 13164 Burbank Blvd.	Beginners 1-2 pm; Intermediate 2-3 rm.
KAZASKA	Sunday 9 pm	(213) 478–1228; Edy Greenblatt	WEST L.A., Japanese Inst., 2110 Corinth,	All nequest evening for beginners
LONG BEACH INT'L FOLK DANCERS	Tuesday 7:30-10 pm	(213) 434-0103 Herb Offner,	IONG BEACH, Unitarian Church, 5450 Atherton	Beg. 7:30; Int/adv. 8:30 pm
TEMPLE BETH HTLLET. DANCERS	Wednesday 10 am - 12 pm	(213) 769–3765 Trudy Bronson,	NORTH HOLLYWOOD, 12326 Riverside Dr.	Beg. to inter, levels, Int'l
TEMPLE B'NAI DAVID	Wed/7:15-10 pm Thurs/9:30 am-1 pm	Miriam Dean (213) 391-8970	IOS ANGELES, 8906 Pico Blvd.	Int'l, beg, inter, Easy dances
UNIVERSITY OF RIVERSIDE F.D. CLUB	Friday 8-11:30 pm	(714) 369–6557 Sherri	BARN STABLE, UNIVERSITY exit off 60 East;	Int'l & beg, tcha; beg, 8-8:45;
YWCA FOLK DANCE CLASSES	Sunday 7–9 pm	(213) 478—1228 Edy Greenblatt	WEST L.A., Japanese Inst., 2110 Corinth	7 pm, beginners, 8 pm, inter.
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BECTIVITING CLASSES			BEGINNING CLASSES	
CULVER CITY BEGINNERS CLASS	Thur. 7:30-9:30pm	(213) 202–5689	CULVER CITY, Iri Room of Vet. Memorial Bldg., 4117 Overland Ave.	Session begins July 11. 10 wks. start at square one.
CRESTWOOD FOLK DANCERS	Monday 7-8:15pm	(213)478—4659 Beverly Barr Inst.	WEST L.A. Brockton Sch. 1309 Armacost Ave.	New Class!! Beginners start anytime
SAN DIEGO INT'IL FOLK	Wed 7:00-8:15 gm	(619) 422-5540 Alice Stirling	SAN DIEGO, Balboa Park club, Balboa Park,	precedes regular club dance.
BEGINNING SCANDINA- VIAN FOLK DANCE	M/7:30-10; Wed 7:30-10	(714) 533–8667 (818) 795–4343z	ANGHEIM, Cultural Ctr. 931 Harbor, CULVER CITY, Peer Gynt, 3835 Watseka,	Tchrs Ted Martin, Dona Tripp Bob Olson starts 9/9/85
STERRA MAURE FOLK DANCE CLASS	Monday 8-9:30 pm	(818) 441-0590 Chuck Lawson,	CALL FOR LOCATION	
WESTWOOD OO-OP FOLK DANCERS	Thursday 7:30-9 pm	(818) 343-7621 (818)998-5682	W.L.A., Emerson Jr.Hi,1670 Selby, behind Mormon Temple,	Beginners can start anytime. Soft soled shoes. Singles welcome.
YUGOSI AV-AMERICAN CIUB	Monday 7:30-10 pm	(213) 832-6228 Ame Turkovich,	SAN PETRO, Yugoslav-Amer. Club, 1639 S. Palos Verdes St., corner of 17th St.	Begining folk dance instruction.
SOUTH BAY BEGINNERS DANCE CLASS	Fri.7:15-8:30pm	(213)375-0946 (213)541-1073	Rancho Palos Verdes Unitarian Church 5621 Montemalaga	after classes join South Bay dancers Dark 3rd Friday each month
TEMPLE ISAIAH FOLK DANCERS	Tuesday 8-10:30 pm	(213) 478-4659, Beverly Barr,	WEST L.A., Temple Isaiah, 10345 W. Pico	Advanced beg, Learn the dances you always wanted to know.
THOUSAND OAKS FOLK DANCERS	Thursday 7:30-9 pm	(213) 498–2491 Gene Lovejoy,	THOUSAND CAKS, Conejo Community Center, at Dover & Hendrix	
NARODNI BEGINNERS FOLK DANCE CLASS	Thursday 7-8 pm	(213) 421–9105 (714) 892–9766	LONG BEACH, Hill Jr. Hi gym, 1100 Iroqubis	Soft-soled shoes only, General dancing after class til 10:30
PASADENA CO-OP BEGINNERS CLASS	Friday 8:00-8:30 pm	(818) 281–7191	PASADEMA, Holliston United Methodist Ch., 1305 E. Colorado Bl., Scott Mem. Hall	, Spansored by Pasadena Co-op.
KAYSO FOLK DANCERS	Saturday 1-3 pm	(619) 238–1771 Soghamonians	SAN DIEGO, 4044 Idaho St., North Park Recreation Center	
LACINA BECINNERS FOLK DANCE CLASS	Sunday 7-10:30 pm	(714) 553-8667, (714) 494-3302	IAGINA BEACH, Laguna Beach Hi, Girl's Gym, Park Ave. at St. Anns.	
ADDENDOM			ADDENDOM	
USC ISRAELI DANCERS	Tuesday 7:30-10:30 pm	(213) 747-9135	IOS ANGELES, USC Hillel, 3300 Hoover (across from Hebrew Union College)	Class 7:30 pm, requests 8:30- 10:30
CAFE SHALOM INTERNAT'L EVENING	Thursday 7:30-10:30 pm	(213) 478–5968, Edy Greenblatt,	L.A., FAIRFAX AREA, Cafe Shalom, 531 N. Fairfax Ave.	7:30 pm beg, class, requests. 9 pm, int. class, requests.
INT'L RENDEZVOUS FOLK DANCE CLUB	Saturday 8-11 pm	(818) 787–7641 (818) 988–3911	VALLEY., L.A. Valley College Field House, 5800 Ethel Ave.	Tchq. 8-9 pm, open to requests 9-11. Int'l W/ emphasis on Israeli.
BNAT DAVID FOLKDANCERS	Monday 10:00-11:30am	(213) 276-9269	1.4. Brai David 8906 W.Pico Blvd. 1 Block west of Robertson	Beg/classes ongoing Tikva Mason instructor
SANTA MONICA COLLECE FOLKDANCERS	Wednesday 7:30-9:00pm	(213) 458-8323	SANTA MONICA, City College-municipal pool Rec,Room	Sponsored by Santa Monica Rec. & Parks. Instructor Tikva Mason
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