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Orthodox Youth Cultural Exchange!



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Agia Sophia Academy's 2nd Annual Orthodox Youth Cultural Exchange

Music, dancing, culture and bake sale



International Ethnic Dance & Music Performances



Saturday, May 19, 2012

Schedule

10:00am -- Rev. Father Dimosthenis Paraskevaidis: Welcome Speech
Elisha Lubliner: ASA Video

10:10am -- Agia Sophia Academy. Instructor: Brigid Powell

- a) Paschal troparion: Christ is Risen
(in English and Greek; participants will follow with Hristos Voskrese in Church Slavonic and Ukrainian)
- b) "Kings and Queens" Dance

10:20am -- 10:20am -- Greek Ethnic Dance Group: "Paradosi", Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church. Instructors: Ioannis Bekris, Zafiro Papastratakos and Dawn Damiani

- a) A Capella song and dance Kaimene Platane- Sta Tria
- b) Enas Aetos- Tsamiko
- c) Koftos
- d) Stin Agia Sophia- Kalamatianos (A Capella song and dance)

The songs relate to the Greek people's struggle for independence from the Ottoman yoke during the 1820's. The song Kaimene Platane is an allegorical tale using the plane tree as a symbol for the Greek people. It is about how the Ottoman prince, Ali Pasha, and his soldiers both needed the Greeks, lived among them and with them, and also were at war with them. The Platano, or Plane Tree spreads its branches wide to provide ample shade and loves to have its roots in water. For these reasons, it has become the centerpiece of every Greek village square. Some villages compete with one another to see how many feasting people can fit under its shade. The Platano is the tree of Hypocrate and it is said that Aristotle did his 'peripatia', or walking, lessons in Plane groves. The Platano has deep roots indeed.

10: 30am -- Russian folk dance & choir group, Holy Apostles American Orthodox Church. Instructors: Olga Ivkin, Elena Kojenov and Nika Cable

- a) Russian folk reel dance – Beryozka
- b) Russian folk song - At the Blacksmith's Shop

10: 40am -- Romanian Folk Dance & Choir Group, St. Mary's Romanian Orthodox Church. Instructor: Daniel Craciun

- a) Romanian folk dance: Ciuleandra
- b) Romanian patriotic song: "Doamne octroteste i pe Romani" – "God, protect the Romanians" sung by Carmina Craciun

10: 50am -- Ukrainian Folk Dance & Children's Choir Group, St. John the Baptist Ukrainian Orthodox Church. Program coordinator: Mariya Kamsha

- a) Ukrainian children's folk song: "Oy ye v lisi kalyna"
- b) Folk Dance – "Hutsul Dance" from the Carpathian Mountain region.

11:00am -- St. Stephen's Serbian Orthodox Church.

1. Serbian junior folk dance group "St. Stephen's" Instructor: Sanda Todorovic
 - a) Collection of folk dances from the Central Serbian region.
2. Serbian ethnic vocal group: "St. Anastasia of Serbia"
 - b) Serbian Ethnic Song "Vezak je vezla Djeva Marija" – "Virgin Mary did fine embroidery" sung by Sanda Todorovic, Davina Duvnjak and Snezana Danilovic

An old ethnic song from Kosovo, Southern Serbian Region, about the Theotokos doing embroidery on her God Child's garment.

3. Serbian senior folk dance group: "The Serbian Rose"
 - c) Collection of folk dances from Leskovac, Southern Serbia

11: 15am -- Brigid Powell, ASA music teacher: Thank you & Closing

BAKE SALE AND REFRESHMENTS

All times are approximate