

Saturday - May 1, 2010

7:30 – 8:45 – Breakfast at Hotel (two seatings)
9:00 – 10:30 – **Dance Session I**
10:30 – 11:00 – Break
11:00 – 12:30 – **Dance Session II**

Lunch on your Own

2:30 – 4:00 – FREE TIME or **Optional Ball Review** at Hotel or Tremont Hall (carpeted floor & recorded music)

5:30 – Meet at the Fountain on the Strand for **the Grand March**
5:45 – **Grand March** with Piper to Casino Bldg.
6:00 – 7:30 – Dinner, No Host Bar
7:30 – 11:00 – **The Ball**

Sunday - May 2, 2010

8:00 – 9:15 – Breakfast at Hotel (two seatings)
9:15 – 9:30 – Check out of rooms
(store luggage at hotel)
9:30 – 10:30 – **Dance Session III**
10:30 – 11:00 – Break
11:00 – 12:00 – **Casual Dance Class** at the High School Gym.

Ball Dinner Menu

Spinach Salad with Mandarin Oranges & Cashews

Choice of One Entree:

- * **Maytag Blue Cheese Herb Crusted Beef Filet, Merlot Demi Glaze**
- * **Wild Salmon with Soy Maple Glaze**
- * **Grilled Portabello Mushroom with Spinach & Roasted Red Peppers**

Fingerling potatoes with caramelized shallots

Fresh vegetable du jour

Assorted rolls

Assorted desserts

Coffee & tea service

No-Host Bar

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**Catalina Island
Workshop & Ball
April 30 – May 2, 2010**

**Catalina
Island**



THE TEACHERS
Elaine Brunken
Eric Finley
Marjorie McLaughlin

THE MUSICIANS
Fiddlesticks and Ivory

ABOUT THE WEEKEND

THE TEACHERS

Elaine Brunken

Maryland

Was born in Falkirk, Scotland and at the age of 4 learned to dance in her mum's class, in West Lothian. "I learned at a very young age, that if I went dancing, I got to stay up late. A very good practice for the dance weekends to come, when there is never time to sleep!" Trained as a Phys. Ed. teacher, majoring in dance, she taught PE and Health Education in Ayr, prior to immigration to the USA in 1978. After 20 years of living and teaching in Northern Virginia, she recently moved to Maryland where she teaches and dances with the Washington D.C. branch.

Eric Finley

Scotland

Comes from Ayrshire, Scotland, and started Scottish Country Dancing when he was 12. He has been teaching SCD since 1984, at St Andrew's Summer School since 2000, as well as at workshops in Europe, Australia, Canada and America. He says, "It may take some people a little time to acclimatize to my sense of humour, but they usually get it in the end." This will be his debut on the West Coast.

Marjorie McLaughlin

San Diego

Was born in Glasgow and first learned Scottish Country Dance at school in Scotland before immigrating to the U.S. at the age of nine. She earned her Teachers Certificate at St. Andrews in 1987. She has taught at workshops all over the world and says, "It may not be a full time job, but it's the best hobby I can imagine." She lives in San Diego with husband Richard and teaches branch classes there.

THE MUSICIANS

Fiddlesticks and Ivory

Plays for dances in the San Francisco Bay Area, and subsets have played as far afield as Hawaii, Vancouver, and Philadelphia. Known for their original and creative compositions, our musicians for the event will be Susan Worland Bentley (fiddle), John Taylor (fiddle), David Mostardi (accordion), and band leader Lyle Ramshaw (piano).

THE LOCATION

This event will take place on the romantic island of Catalina off the coast of California in the charming town of Avalon. The Saturday evening dinner and Ball will be held in the magnificent Casino Ballroom, a wonder of Art Deco design, featuring the world's largest circular ballroom without interior columns. Built in 1929 by William Wrigley, Jr., it is acoustically almost perfect. Having been refurbished to its 1930's glamour, the ballroom is a fitting location for the highlight of our weekend. (*Note: The floor tends to be slippery, so bring appropriate shoes. No dance powders are allowed.*)

THE CLASSES

All workshop classes will be accompanied by wonderful live music. The dancers will be divided into three groups and will have one session with each of our guest teachers. Two sessions will be on Saturday morning and one on Sunday morning.

There will also be one combined casual dance class, on Sunday morning, at the high school, taught by all three teachers.

Venues have wood or carpeted floors and are a 10-15 minute walk from the hotel (uphill both ways.) Bring your walking shoes and appropriate dance shoes.

All workshop classes are designed for dancers with at least one year of dancing experience.

MINIMUM AGE IS 16 YEARS

An Interbranch event presented by
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THE LODGING

Those who sign up for the full workshop and ball will be staying at the Catalina Canyon Resort & Spa. All rooms are non-smoking. There is a pool and a Jacuzzi and an on-site cafe. All rooms have coffee makers, hair dryers, and irons. Rooms have either one king bed or two queen beds and will be double occupancy. Three or four persons to a room can be accommodated if requested. The hotel is at the top of the town. Free shuttles are provided from the ferries and to the town plaza.

THE COST

There are 2 options for this marvelous weekend:

A) Full Workshop/Lodging/Ball

This includes two nights lodging in a double occupancy room, a Friday night light Supper, two hearty Breakfasts, all Workshops, and the Ball with Dinner for **\$395.00 per person**. \$40.00 discount per person for three or four to a room. Space is limited, so sign up early.

B) Ball & Sunday Morning Session Only

This includes the Saturday night Ball with Dinner and the Sunday morning Casual Dance Session.

(No lodging or other meals provided.)
Dancer – \$120.00. Non-dancer – \$95.00

NOTE: *Transportation to and from the island is not included in any option. Ferry information will be provided upon registration. Saturday & Sunday lunches are not included in any option. There are many places to eat in Avalon, and a cafe is available at the hotel.*

THE SCHEDULE

(Times are all tentative and subject to change at the slightest whim.)

Friday - April 30, 2010

3:00 pm – Hotel Ready for Check-ins

6:30 – 8:00 – Wine, Cheese & **Light Supper**

8:00 – 10:00 – **Casino Night** (at the Hotel)

Come try your luck!