

Midwinter Festival GUEST STAFF



Gayle Armstrong instructs Mexican and Latin American folk and social dances, including cumbia, salsa, wepa, and Latin polka. Gayle will also be leading several workshops in English Country Dance throughout the weekend.

Sarah Jagoda Larsson & Sarina Partridge

singing the rich harmonies of Jewish and Slavic folk music from Eastern Europe and perform together as *Nanilo*. Sarah and Sarina will lead workshops throughout the festival and will also lead singing at the Balkan Beats party on Dec. 30th.



Trio Son de Mexico is a three-piece mariachi group from Madison that will join us on Dec. 29th for our Fiesta Mexicana! The trio will serenade festival-goers with romantic norteño ballads and play cumbia and polka to get our feet moving.



Eliya Tova Gorman-Baer is a lifelong Folklore Villager and fiber artist.

They invite festival participants to collaborate on a piece of embroidered artwork for this year's community project.



Michael Kuharski is a Balkan folkdancer and producer of the annual Madison Folk Ball. Michael joins us for a Balkan dance workshop and for a special appearance at our Balkan Beats party on Dec. 30th!

Afternoon Teas

December 28--Ostfriesen Tea Ceremony

This tea ceremony from Ostfriesland in Northwestern Germany features rich tortes and pastries accompanied by authentic black Ostfriesen tea served in delicate Ostfriesen china.

December 29--Mexican Tea honoring Nelda Drury

Champurrado is a hot beverage made from chocolate and corn and enjoyed in the wintertime throughout Mexico. Pan dulce pastries will accompany this sweet drink, along with memory sharing honoring the legacy of Mexican-American folkdancer Nelda Drury.

December 30--Sankta Lucia Celebration

This Swedish tradition celebrates the return of light in winter's darkness. The pageantry includes traditional seasonal songs, candlelight, and saffron buns with tea.

December 31--Auction Fundraiser

Fast, fun, and lively bidding at this highly entertaining event helps support Folklore Village programming. With auctioneer Jim McNeill at the helm, this is truly a FUNraiser!

FOLKLORE VILLAGE

...passing it on

Evening Party Themes

December 28--Meet n' Greet

December 29--Fiesta Mexicana

with Trio Son de Mexico and Gayle Armstrong

December 30--Balkan Beats

with Nanilo and Michael Kuharski

December 31--Future Folk