This printable directory is prepared with the hope that all those interested in participating in traditional dancing can find types that suit their abilities, locations and schedules, and that group leaders can make this list available to dancers who might be seeking additional types of dancing to try. The groups in the day-by-day listings welcome newcomers. In some cases fees are waived for first-timers. The “other ongoing” list is a mix of classes and performance groups. The most recent date when information was confirmed is given at the end of each listing. The editor cannot guarantee that the listing is up to date, so it is advisable to call or email to verify times and locations of all events.

SUNDAY

BALKAN BASICS – dance class and Ensemble Balkanske Igre rehearsal: 11am - 1pm; 6069 N Milwaukee Ave, Chicago. Dances of the Balkans and Eastern Europe. No partner needed, beginner to expert levels welcome. Info: John Kuo, 847-331-7842, balkanske_igre@yahoo.com; www.balkanskiigri.com (8/14)

BARN DANCE: 2nd Sun of the month (Sept-June), 6:30 pm; and 3rd Sun of the month (Nov-Apr), 2pm; Chicago Barn Dance Company, varied bands and callers; Kuhn Village Barn at Fermilab, between Warrenville and Batavia; $6 adults, $3 teens & seniors (65), under 12 free. Co-sponsored by Fermilab Folk Club and Fox Valley Folklore Society. Info: Juel Ulven 630-897-3655, Lynn Garren 630-840-2061, juelu@aol.com, garren@fnal.gov; www.fnal.gov/orgs/folkclub; www.foxvalleyfolk.com; www.chicagobarndance.org (8/14)

ENGLISH COUNTRY DANCING AT FERMILAB: once a month on Sunday, 2–5 pm, 1 pm for experienced dancers) Kuhn Village Barn at Fermilab, between Warrenville and Batavia; donation. No partner necessary. All dances taught. Live music every 2nd or 3rd time by Old Fezziwig’s Band. Info: Mady Newfield 630-584-0825, folkdance@fnal.gov; www.fnal.gov/orgs/folkdance/english/ ; Facebook group: Chicagoland English Country Dancers (3/15)

ISLA PACIFIKA POLYNESIAN DANCE: 11 am-12pm; 4057 N. Damen Ave, Chicago. Also performing group. Info: islapacifika@gmail.com; www.islapacifika.com (8/14)

LOCH MICHIGAN SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCERS: 6-8:30 pm; Bethany United Church of Christ Hall, 4245 N Paulina, Chicago, (1 block S of Montrose, & 1 block W of Ashland). Classes and social dancing, no partner required, occasional live music. RSCDS Chicago Branch class. Donation. Sept-May. Info: Noel Chavez 708-848-9218, nchavez@uic.edu; Chicago Branch Web site: http://rscds-chicago.org ; Facebook group: Scottish Country Dance Chicago - RSCDS Branch (8/14)

PULLMAN MORRIS AND SWORD 7 pm, weekly practice, far South Side neighborhood of Pullman in Chicago. A mixed Morris side. Info: Meg Dedolph, 773-960-9364, meg.dedolph@gmail.com (3/15)

SCANDINAVIAN TURNING DANCE CLASSES: 6--9 pm; St Luke Presbyterian Church, 3910 Highland Ave, Downers Grove; $6/class. Basics 6pm, intermediate class follows. Evening includes classes, live music, a snack break, and social dancing. Taught by Roo Lester. No previous experience or partner required. Hard soled shoes strongly encouraged. Generally meets Sept-May. Call to check exact schedule. Info: Roo Lester 630-985-7192, DancingRoo@aol.com (8/14)

MONDAY

ISRAELI DANCING IN NAPERVILLE: 7-8:45pm; Congregation Beth Shalom Social Hall, 772 West 5th Avenue, Naperville; $1 suggested donation. Led by Brian Toby. Open to public, but people interested in dancing should call or e-mail prior to coming. Info: 630-327-8426, bhtoby@comcast.net (8/14)

CHICAGO BARN DANCE CO: 7-10pm; Irish American Heritage Center in Chicago, or S.P.A.C.E in Evanston; $7. Live music. Info: 224-534-9173, info@ChicagoBarnDance.org; www.chicagobardance.org (8/14)

ENGLISH COUNTRY DANCING IN OAK PARK: generally 3rd Monday each month, 7-10 pm; 19th Century Charitable Association Ballroom, 178 Forest Ave, Oak Park; $10/$5 youth & seniors, proceeds benefit NGCA scholarship fund. Mostly live music. Info: Randi Woodworth 708-524-9322, 708-386-2729, dancing@nineteenthcentury.org; www.nineteenthcentury.org; Facebook group: Chicagoland English Country Dancers (3/15)

EVANSTON MONDAY NIGHT FOLKDANCERS: 7:30-10:30pm; Lake St -Church, Lake St and Chicago Ave, Evanston; $5 Beginners welcome, teaching between 8-9pm. Annual Events: Regional Potluck Folkdance party in fall and Out of the Woodwork Party in December (see website for dates). Info: Michael Goff 847-867-9864; emnfdancers@gmail.com; www.EvanstonFolkDance.org (8/14)
IRISH SET DANCING: 7:30 pm, Gaelic Park, 6119 W 147th St, Oak Forest; $3. Info: Terry Carmody 708-738-3003, http://chicagogaelicpark.org/cultural-center/dancemusic/set-dancing/ (8/14)

TUESDAY

HYDE PARK FOLK DANCERS: 2nd, 4th, & 5th Tuesdays of the month 8-10pm; Quaker House, 5615 S Woodlawn; $5 full time students. Call to verify meeting. Info: Mike Grethen 773-241-5834, mcgrethen@gmail.com (8/13)

IRISH SET DANCING: 7:30-9:30pm; Room 111, Irish American Heritage Ctr, 4626 N Knox, Chicago; $5 suggested donation. Info: 773-282-7035x10; annodonnell2376@sbcglobal.net (8/13)

IRISH CEILI DANCING: 7-9pm; Gaelic Park, 6119 W 147th St, Oak Forest; $2. Info: Mary Carmody 708-424-3035 or Donna Killen 773-233-4490, http://chicagogaelicpark.org/cultural-center/dancemusic/ceili-dancing/ (8/14)

MORRIS OLD TIME DANCES: 4th Tues of the month (2nd Tues in Nov and Dec), 7-9:30pm, Peace Lutheran Church, 101 Candlelight Lane, Morris, IL; $6 suggested donation for adults (children free). Beginners welcome. Recorded or live music. Info: 630-780-2754, dansaathoff@comcast.net; visit http://groups.yahoo.com/group/MorrisOldTimeDance and join the group to receive regular email reminders (8/14)

ROKDIM CHICAGO: 7:30-11pm, Meyer Kaplan JCC, 5050 Church St, Skokie, 847-763-3500. All levels welcome; teaching for beginner and intermediate followed by open dancing; $10. Info: Bruria 773-454-7709, Yoram 847-732-7899, rokdimchicago@gmail.com; www.gojcc.org (8/14)


WEDNESDAY

DEERFIELD ISRAELI FOLK DANCE GROUP: 7-10pm; in the Wheelroom at Moriah Congregation, 200 Taub Drive, Deerfield; $5. Led by Jim Rust. Info: Moriah 847-948-5340 or Jim Rust 847-492-9393,MJimRust@aol.com (8/13)

ENGLISH COUNTRY DANCING IN EVANSTON: Every other week, 8-10 pm (late Aug.-June); St. Mark’s Episcopal Church, 1509 Ridge Ave, Evanston; $5 ($3 students). Occasional live music. Info: Tom Senior 847-606-8704, chicagoECD@yahoo.com; Facebook group: Chicagoland English Country Dancers (8/14)

FOLKDANCE SKOKIE: 8-10pm; Weber Fitness Center, 9300 Weber Park Place (corner Church Street and Gross Point Rd), Skokie; adults $5/students $2.50; first session free. Teaching during first hour. Newcomers and children welcome. Snacks provided. Party night on all major holidays. Sponsored by the Skokie Park District. Info: Dit Olshan 847-966-6888, Dit321@aol.com (8/14)

LEIKARRINGEN “HEIMHUG” NORWEGIAN FOLK DANCERS OF CHICAGO: 7:30-9:30 pm (Sept-June); Norwood Crossing (Heritage Room), 6016 N. Nina Ave, Chicago; open practice of performing group. Info: Barbra Kronborg-Mogil 847-823-7596, kronbo815@gmail.com (8/14)

OAK PARK/RIVER FOREST FOLK DANCERS: 7:30-10:30pm; Christ Episcopal Church, 515 Franklin, River Forest; $6/$4 age 12 and under/first time free. Info: Edie Spear 224-723-5054, edancemore@comcast.net (8/14)

THURSDAY

AFTERNOON FOLK DANCING: 2-4pm The Levy Center, 300 Dodge, Evanston, in the exercise room; A/C; $5. Taught by Edie Spear. Info: Edie Spear 224-723-5054, edancemore@comcast.net (8/14)

CHICAGO ISRAELI DANCING: usually Thursdays 7:30-11:30pm (occasional change due to holidays); Temple Judea Mizpah, 8610 Niles Center Road, Skokie. Beginner and repertoire teaching by Penny Brichta 7:30-8:15; general teaching by Phil Moss 8:15-9; requests 9-11:30. Monthly party the last Thursday of month. $10 non-party nights/$11 party. Further info: Phil 847-274-1809; philip_b_moss@hotmail.com; Penny 847-256-4379; pjbrichta@hotmail.com. Email Phil to subscribe to newsletter. Facebook group: Chicago Israeli Folk Dancing (8/14)

FERMILAB INTERNATIONAL FOLK DANCING: 7:30-10pm; Kuhn Village Barn at Fermilab (just N of Batavia Rd on the Fermilab site, near Rt. 59 in Warrenville; enter lab at either gate, ID ready); donation. Summer A/C location: Ramsey Auditorium in Fermilab Wilson Hall High Rise. Beginners & children welcome. Teaching and children's dances early, request dancing later. Info: Mady Newfield 630-584-0825, dougjensen630-840-8194, folkdance@fnal.gov; www.fnal.gov/orgs/fermilab/; Facebook group: Fermilab International Folk Dancing (3/15)

NORDIC FOLK DANCERS OF CHICAGO: 7:30-9:30pm; Norwood Park Field House, 5801 N Natoma, Chicago; open practice of performing group. Info: Linda Westergren-Muhr 773-685-8851, lwestergrenmuhr@earthlink.net (8/14)
QUEER CONTRA DANCE CHICAGO: usually first Thursday of month, 6:30-9:30pm; St. Luke’s Lutheran Church of Logan Square (community hall), 2649 N. Francisco Ave, Chicago. Rotating live band and caller. Admission on a sliding scale of $0-10, payable at the door. Info: Peter McDowell at 773-484-8811; peter@petermcdowell.com; www.facebook.com/contrachicago (8/13)

SOUTH SUBURBAN INTERNATIONAL FOLK DANCERS: 7-45-10pm; 1st Presbyterian Church, 900 Thomas St (Western and 207th), Chicago Heights; $3. Call to verify meeting. Info: Jill Carlson 708-748-5108, angelajillcarlson@hotmail.com (8/14)

FRIDAY

ARGONNE FOLK DANCE CLUB: 8-10:30pm; St Paul’s United Church of Christ, 5739 Dunham Road (corner of Dunham & Jefferson), Downers Grove; $3. Info: Linda Schub & Jay Wightman 630-393-6565; lindaandjay@comcast.net. There is a blog for the group at http://argonneifd.blogspot.com (8/14)

ETHNIC DANCE CHICAGO: 8-midnight; Chicago Latvian Community Center, 4146 N Elston Ave, Chicago - SW corner of Elston (NW Diag) & Hamlin (3800W); LAST Fridays ONLY at 8:30 p.m: S.P.A.C.E., 3433 W Peterson (6000N) W of Kimball (3400W), Chicago, $6/$5 students/$4 under 12. Info: Paul Collins 847-846-8139, info@ethnicdance.net; www.ethnicdance.net; Facebook group: Ethnic Dance Chicago - Ethnic Dance Network (EDC) (8/14)

EVANSTON SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCERS: 7:30-9:30pm, Winnetka Community House, 620 Lincoln Ave, Winnetka; $5; (Sept-June). Info: Frances Gillan 847-864-2459, sackrag@aol.com (8/14)

IRISH CEILI AND SET DANCING: 7:30 pm instruction, 8-11 pm dance, live music 1st Fri of the month; Fifth Province Room, Irish American Heritage Ctr, 4626 N Knox, Chicago; $10 1st Fridays, otherwise $7/$5 members. Info: 773-262-7035; FridayCeili@gmail.com; http://irish-american.org/index.php/tradition/dance/classes-and-programs (8/14)

SATURDAY

CONTRA DANCE AT U OF C: 7:30 pm, 1st Saturday, most months; usually Ida Noyes Hall, 1212 E 59th St, Chicago; $6/$3 students; (Oct - June). Live music. Info: 773-702-9793, chicagodanceweekend@gmail.com; http://fac.uchicago.edu/ (8/14)

OTHER ONGOING

FLAMENCO:
-- Ensemble Español Spanish Dance Theater, in-residence at Northeastern Illinois University, 5500 N St Louis Av, Chicago 60625; classes for adults and children, Tuesday evenings, taught by First Dancers of the professional company; Dame Libby Komaiko, founder and artistic director. General info: 773-442-5930, info@EnsembleEspanol.org; www.ensembleespanol.org; Class info: Josephine Di Cesare 773-442-5916, G-DiCesare@neiu.edu (8/14)
-- Flamenco Arts Center, 3755 N Western Ave, Chicago. Flamenco, Spanish Classical, Go-Go dancing classes and West African drumming held weekly. Info (including pricing, schedule and instructor contacts): www.flamencoartscenter.com; 773-868-4130, kathi_beste@flamencoartscenter.com or 773-583-9392, melody-vasquez@sbcglobal.net (8/14)
-- Flamenco Chicago, 2914 W. Belmont Ave., Chicago. Group classes and private lessons with most taught by Rosetta Magdalen. All ages welcome: teens through 60+. Info: 773-609-5059, rosetta@flamencochicago.com; www.flamencochicago.com (8/14)

GREEK FOLK DANCING:
-- Orpheus Hellenic Folklore Society, 606 Greendale Road, Glenview, IL 60025; classes for adults and youth. Info: 847-657-0958, orpheus@ohnfs.org; www.ohnfs.org (8/14)
-- Apollo Dance Troupe, performing group, practice Tuesdays 7:30pm Holy Apostles Church Hall, Westchester. Info: Gregory Kontos 630-585-5637, gkontos@gmail.com; or Ellena Vranas 630-718-1022, horevo60@gmail.com (8/14)
-- Neolea Hellenic Dancers, Chicago south suburbs. Group classes and private lessons with most taught by Rosetta Magdalen. All ages welcome: teens through 60+. Info: office@neoleahellenicdancers.com, www.neoleahellenicdancers.com (8/14)

INDIANAPOLIS CONTRA DANCES: Tuesday 7:30pm, Grove House, 1001 Hobson Brook Ave., Indianapolis, IN. Also occasional Saturday nights and special events. Gypsy Moon Ball: Oct 24-26, 2014. Info: 317-759-4863; indycontra@gmail.com; www.indycontra.org (8/14)

IRISH:
-- Trinity Academy of Irish Dance, 747 N. Church Rd, Elmhurst, IL. Classes in Chicago, Elmhurst, Palatine, and Western Springs. Info: 877-326-2328, info@trinitydance.com; www.trinityirishdancers.com (8/14)
-- Barbara McNulty T.C.R.G, traditional and competitive Irish Dance for both youth and adults, including solo, teams and ceili dancing; locations around the Chicago suburban area as well as in Rockford, and Dubuque Iowa. Info: 224-639-8644; McNultyDancers@aol.com; www.mcnultyirishdancers.com (8/14)
MEXICAN DANCE:
-- Mexican Dance Ensemble, Studio located at 5824 W Roosevelt Ave, Chicago IL; traditional Mexican Dances (known as Folkloric), classes for all ages. Director: Samuel Cortez. Info: 312-259-9838, sam@mdechicago.org; www.mdechicago.com, www.mdejr.org (8/14)

NEAR EAST DANCE AND BELLY DANCING:
-- Pure Raks with Jasmin Jahal, classes in various locations in Chicago, Niles and Oak Park. Info: 773-777-4037, JasminJahal@hotmail.com; www.PureRaks.com (8/14)
-- Rakanna Larcher, classes in Middle Eastern dance and belly dance in Naperville, Joliet and Sugar Grove, also performing troupe and private lessons. Info: 630-689-3611, rakanna@rakanna.com, www.rakanna.com (8/14)

OLD TOWN SCHOOL OF FOLK MUSIC DANCE CLASSES: 4544 N Lincoln Ave and 909 W Armitage, Chicago. Variety of world dance classes offered year-round, in 8-week sessions; 773-728-6000; www.oldtowschool.org/classes/adults/dance/world/ (8/14)

SQUARE DANCE: Metropolitan Chicago Association of Square Dancers www.squaredancechicago.com. Also, Batavia B&B 2nd and 4th Fridays, Fox Valley Mixers, 2nd & 4th Saturdays, Baker Community Center, 101 S 2nd St, St. Charles. Info: Jan Morse 847-909-8064, janmorse@sbcglobal.net; www.foxvalleymixers.org (8/14)

FOLK DANCE CD’S, TAPES, BOOKS, ETHNIC CLOTHING, ETC: Joan Amsterdam, International Folk Rhythms, Ltd., P.O. Box 1402, Northbrook, IL 60065; 847-564-2880; (8/14)

LOCAL YEARLY EVENTS
50TH ANNIVERSARY SPRING FESTIVAL, March 26-29, 2015, International House at the University of Chicago, 1414 E 59th St, Chicago. Workshops, concert, dance parties, culture sessions, featuring Balkan and other Eastern European and Eastern Mediterranean dance and music. Info: John Kuo, 847-331-7842, balkanske_igre@yahoo.com (3/15)

MIDWEST MORRIS ALE, May 22-25, 2015, hosted in Chicago by Pullman Morris and Sword. Info: www.midwestmorrisale.org (3/15)

REGIONAL “JUNE CAMP”, a Midwest regional workshop weekend the weekend following Memorial Day at Beloit College in Beloit, WI, Bata Marcetic is featured teacher, May 28 – 31, 2015. Info: Mady Newfield 630-584-0825, junecampifd@gmail.com; http://junecampifd.googlepages.com. (3/15)

DOOR COUNTY FOLK FESTIVAL – July 8-12, 2015, in Sister Bay and Ephraim, WI. Info: Paul Collins 773-463-2288, info@dcff.net; www.dcff.net (3/15)

FOLK BALL FESTIVAL at Union South in Madison, WI, January 29-31, 2016 with Carol Silverman and others. Info: Michael Kuharski 608-241-3655, mk@mailbag.com, www.madfolkdance.org/folkball (3/15)

FOLK DANCE CAMP in Oconomowoc – annual camp, Sept 18-20, 2015 at Olin-Sang-Ruby Union Institute (OSRUI), 600 Lac La Belle Drive, Oconomowoc, WI. Local teachers; private rooms with bath, daytime teaching, parties at night. Sponsored by Lake Geneva Folk Dancers. Info: Dit Olshan 847-966-6888, dit321@aol.com or Jill Carlson 708-748-5108, angelajillcarlson@hotmail.com (3/15)

FOLKLORE VILLAGE FARM in Dodgeville, WI hosts weekend workshops and festivals in many kinds of dance. Info at 608-924-4000, www.folklorevillage.org (3/15)

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