



Folklore Seminar of Folk Dances and Songs of Croatia

LADO

“A Look at Professionalism”

We are pleased to announce that the famous professional Croatian Folklore Dance Ensemble LADO from Zagreb, Croatia will be hosting an International Croatian Folk Dance Camp from April 04-08, 2024, in Hamilton, ON, Canada.

The Dance Seminars will have both Beginner and Advanced Level Seminars, for Beginner Level students that would like to learn the basic steps of Croatian Folk Dancing and Advanced Level Dance Seminars for students that are more experienced dancers and have a strong familiarity with Croatian Folk Dance.

The Dance Camp will be led by the Artistic Director of Ensemble LADO Krunoslav Sokac who is a Professor of Ethnology and History and former LADO dancer and singer (soloist). He is also a lecturer at the Department of Folklore Dances at the School for Classical Ballet in Zagreb, Croatia. Krunoslav has choreographed numerous dance and musical works for the Ensemble LADO and other folklore dance ensembles. He has won the Porin discography award and participated as an expert in meetings in the field of Ethnology and Folklore Heritage. Kruno is a member of the Croatian Ethnological Society Matica Hrvatska and is an associate member of numerous Croatian amateur folklore societies.

The following is a tentative schedule of the International Dance Camp that will be offered from April 6-7, 2024

Variation 1

10:00-11:00 a.m. Theoretical Lecture- Folk Dances and the Scene

11:15 a.m. -1:15 p.m. - Folk Dances of the Alpine OR Pannonian Dance Area- Dance Workshop (2.5 hrs.)

1:45 p.m.-2:45 p.m. Lunch Break

2:45 p.m.- 3:45 p.m.- Practical Application of Learned Dance Material – Dance Workshop (1hr.)

Variation 2

10:00-11:00 a.m. Theoretical Lecture- Traditional Dress/Folk Dance Costume and Scene

11:15 a.m.-1:45 p.m. Dances from the Adriatic OR Dinaric Dance areas – Dance Workshop (2.5 hrs.)

1:45 p.m. -2:45 p.m. - Lunch Break (1hr.)

2:45 p.m.-3:45 p.m. Practical Application of Learned Dance Material –Dance Workshop (1hr.)

Variation 3

10:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. Theoretical Lecture – Protected Intangible Cultural Assests of Croatia

11:15 a.m. 1:15 p.m. Repetition of Practical Application of the dance material learned from the previous two days –Dance Workshop (3 hours)

1:15 p.m.- 2:15 p.m. Lunch Break

1:15 p.m. -2:00 p.m.-Distribution of Certificates to Program Participants

Please note that the Dance Seminars are planned for 2 days but can be scheduled for 3 days if there is an overwhelming response for the dance seminars

Tambura Workshops

We can also offer musical instrument workshops with the tamburas and specialty instruments such as "diple, gajde. Etc." The tambura teacher will be Alan Kanski, who is the conductor for the Orchestra for Ensemble Lado. He is a multi- instrumentalist with vast experience in leading music workshops and introducing and playing traditional musical instruments. During his artistic career, Alan has won numerous awards, and has taken part in various projects with other artists and traveled all over the world.