SPECIAL TWO-PART HERITAGE EVENT:

Armenian Dance Workshops, with Hasmik Harutyunyan

The dances most likely to be enjoyed at family, party and village gatherings

Co-sponsored by: Snap-y Dancers Folk Dance Group of Petaluma, and Armenians of the North Bay

Sunday, March 11, 2:30 PM to 4:30PM

- Open to all: beginners, newcomers, families, kids, and experienced dancers
- Location: Congregation Ner Shalom Hall, 85 La Plaza, Cotati, CA
- (right behind the Firehouse) / Old Redwood Hwy
- Fee: adults $10, and children 16 or under $5

NOTE: Let us* know beforehand that you will attend this Sunday session, and we'll prepare a free CD for you to take home, with the music for four dances Hasmik plans to teach. Other of Hasmik's CDs with traditional lullabies, songs, and dance music will be available for purchase at both events.

HASMIK HARUTYUNYAN LEADS A DANCE WORKSHOP AT CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, FRESNO (Photo: Erica Magarian)

Monday, March 12: 7:00 PM to 9:15 PM

- Snap-y Dancers session open to all: beginners, newcomers, families, kids, experienced dancers
- Location: Hermann Sons Hall, 860 Western Ave / Webster St, Petaluma, CA
- Fee: adults $10, and children 16 or under $5. (Snap-y Dancer members have already paid)

Hasmik's family background in music, song and dance is both wide and deep. She has organized Armenian music and dance concerts and workshops at home, Europe and the US, often accompanied by her husband Andranik (photo, center right). Armenian President Serzh Sargsyan presented her the "Meritorious Artist of Armenia" award (photo, center left). Hasmik's voice is heard on numerous CDs, and she currently directs the "Hayrik Mouradian Children's Folk Song and Dance Ensemble" in Yerevan.

Hasmik Harutyunyan home page: http://www.road-to-armenia.com/hasmik/hasmik.html

Interview with Hasmik Harutyunyan (California State University-Fresno): http://armenianstudies.csufresno.edu/hye_sharzhoom/vol32/march11/5_hasmikharutyunyan.html

More Armenian Dance resources: http://www.sonic.net/~stevayla/pdf_files/ArmenianDance_more_resources%20.pdf

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