


Join us for a Celestial Experience

Balance the Bay



San Francisco Contra Weekend

August 8 - 10, 2014

Join us for Northern California's premiere Contra Dance weekend: *hot* dancing in the *cool* of a San Francisco summer. We're just half a mile from Ocean Beach, overlooking Lake Merced, so we can take full advantage of the sea breezes and San Francisco's famous fog. This year's theme is "celestial," so dress in your heavenly best and come dance!

The Latter Day Lizards:

The Lizards are a New England based dance band, featuring a quartet of musicians fervent with the desire and talent to ignite flames under dancing feet. With a wide ranging and hopelessly eclectic repertoire, *the Lizards* bring excellent musicianship, playfulness, drama and unrelentingly infectious rhythm to their dance performances. With **Peter Barnes** on piano, guitar and flute, **Bill Tomczak** on clarinet, sax and drum, **Dave Langford** on guitar and fiddle, and **Stuart Kenney** on bass, they blend swing, rock-and-roll and jazz influences with traditional foot-stomping dance music to make an innovative, spontaneous and rhythmically inflammatory sound.



Uncle Farmer with Scotty Leach:

Ben Schreiber is a young "Fiddling Phenom" who has been taking the country by storm. He plays with *The Whoots* as well as *Uncle Farmer*. Ben is a voracious sight-reader, is fluent in several musical genres, and has been known to write a dozen tunes in an afternoon before the evening dance, much to the dancers' delight. **Scotty Leach**, who also plays with the *Retrospectacles*, is a formidable multi-instrumentalist whose infectious piano playing and zany energy have propelled many a contra dancer across the dance floor.



Nils Fredland has been making music, leading dances, and bringing people together for twenty years as a teacher; singer and song leader; trombonist; contra, square, and community dance caller; story teller; and workshop leader.

Nils is widely respected for his expertise in each of his chosen fields, and beloved for his sensitive leadership, generosity, friendliness, and community-minded approach.

Six years of calling have made **Frannie Marr** a popular West Coast caller, calling regular dances from Southern California to the Bay Area, and special events/weekends throughout the Pacific Northwest and Southwest. Frannie draws on her experience as a dance gypsy to call dances that people like. Her hallmarks are quick walkthroughs, efficient calling, and letting the dance and music flow whenever possible.



The **Saturday night Community Supper** tradition continues: this year it will be provided by Denise Ladwig of *Feast Organic Catering*. Denise was highly recommended by the campers at our Family Week summer camp.

Register online starting March 15th – Lottery Deadline March 31st

Register online at www.bacds.org/btb/registration

Registrations received after the lottery will be accepted on a space available basis.

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