

Special Bulgarian Music Workshops & Dance Party with

Lyuti Chushki

at Mount Holyoke College

South Hadley, MA

Saturday, March 27, 2010

Music Workshops

(Free)

Bulgarian Drumming (Tupan) 3:00-4:30 pm

Larry Weiner, the drummer for Lyuti Chushki, will teach an introductory class in Tupan (big drum). This type of drum is used in almost all Bulgarian folk music today, and is played with a "club" and a "switch". Bulgarian music is often played in unusual meters such as 5/8, 7/8, 9/8, 11/16, 13/16, etc. as well as meters common in western music (2/4, 4/4 & 6/8). He'll be bringing 6 or 7 tupans with him, but the participants are encouraged to bring other types of drums as well. (Blanchard Great Room)

Bulgarian Singing 3:00-4:30 pm

Tzvety Weiner, the vocalist in Lyuti Chushki, will demonstrate and teach singing styles from different parts of Bulgaria. She will discuss the so-called "open throat" singing typical throughout the Balkan region. A few songs will be selected to demonstrate ornamentation characteristic for different parts of Bulgaria. Sheet music will be provided. No prior experience needed. (Blanchard Room 108)

Introduction to Bulgarian Ethnomusicology 4:45-5:45 pm

Dr. Kalin Kirilov, a music theorist and member of the music faculty at Towson University, Towson MD, will give an introductory lecture about Bulgarian Ethnomusicology. Dr. Kirilov received a B.A in Music Education from the Academy of Music and Dance in Plovdiv, Bulgaria, and both an M.A in Folklore and a Ph.D in Music Theory from the University of Oregon. A master of 11 instruments, he has performed extensively in Bulgaria and Western Europe and is a recipient of multiple awards as a performer and singer of Bulgarian music. (Blanchard Room 213)



Concert & Dance Party

(Free for Five College Students / \$5 for General Public)

Blanchard Great Room

Concert

8:30-9:30 pm

Bulgarian Dance Workshop

9:30-10:00 pm

Dance Party

10:00-11:30 pm

Light refreshments will be served.

Everyone is welcome!

Lyuti Chushki is a combination of professional Bulgarian and American musicians from the Baltimore/Washington area who have been playing together for festivals and concerts since 1997. The toe-tapping music, played on traditional Bulgarian instruments is evocative, compelling and lyrical, in modes and rhythms characteristic of the Balkans. Members include Tzvety Weiner (vocals), Valeri Georgiev (kaval), Len Newman (tambura), Varol Saatcioglu (gaida), Bruce Sagan (gudulka) and Larry Weiner (tupan). Kalin Kirilov will be a guest performer with Lyuti Chushki for the concert and dance party. More information about the band and recordings of some of their gigs can be found at www.lyutichushki.com/

Directions to Mount Holyoke College: www.mtholyoke.edu/cic/about/directions.shtml / Campus map: www.mtholyoke.edu/campusmap/

Parking information: Any faculty/staff slots; parking lots across from Mary Lyon Hall and by Art Museum

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