

# AMAN Ojai Reunion 2018

April 20 & 21, 2018 / The Ojai Art Center, Ojai, CA

## SCHEDULE

### **FRIDAY - APRIL 20<sup>TH</sup>** (for AMAN Alumni Only (+ 1 Dinner/Party Guest))

- NOON - Registration (doors open at 11:30am)
- 12:30 - 2:15 pm - AMAN Tribute Workshops - "Gasp From the Past"
  - Revisit dances from signature AMAN suites, basics, no choreography
    - Lepa Anka (Podravina) warm-up sing/dance with Billy Burke
    - Oj Rasticu Šušnjati (Slavonian) with Billy Burke
    - Kopanitza (Sop) with Paul Sheldon
    - Ghawazee (Egyptian) with Samira Tamer
    - Bunjevacko Momacko (Croatian) with Don Green
    - Appalachian Big Circle (American) with Mitch Allen

#### Afternoon Break w/light snack, drink & fresh fruit

- 2:30 - 4:00 pm - AMAN Tribute Workshops
  - Women's Sop Songs Review (Bulgarian/Filip Koutev) w/Susie B, Susie N., Trudy I.
    - *Što Si Goro* - <https://youtu.be/nhPvO9CN2Zo>
    - *Dragana* - <https://youtu.be/6TftiT6PTs>
    - *Bre Petrunko* - <https://youtu.be/JpaghuFYs2Y>
  - Men's Hungarian Workshop (*Szek and Legényes*) with Steve Kotansky

#### Free Time

- 5:30 - 6:30 pm - AMAN Reunion Happy Hour w/appetizers (no-host bar)
- 6:30 - 8:30 pm - "Memories of AMAN" Alumni Dinner & Reunion Program /MC Mitch Allen
- 9:00 pm - Midnight -Sing Along, Dessert & Coffee Bar, Evening Dancing with NAMA

### **SATURDAY- APRIL 21<sup>ST</sup>** (Everyone Welcome - Open to the General Public)

- 9:00 am - Registration (Doors open at 8:45am)
- 9:30 - 11:15 am - Institute Dance Workshop #1
  - Hungarian Couple with Susy & Steve Kotansky

#### Morning Break w/light snack, drink & fresh fruit

- 11:30 am - 1:00 pm - Institute Dance Workshop #2
  - Balkan/Rom with Susy & Steve Kotansky

*Lunch (everyone on their own) - There are many local restaurants within walking distance*

- 3:00 - 5:00 pm - Afternoon "LA Coffee House -Oldies Party"
  - DJ Billy Burke, recorded program & requests (vintage AMAN t-shirts, belts & opanci a must! :-)

**Free Time** - or Culture Corner with Steve & Susy Kotansky - they will be sharing their recent travels with us.

*6:15pm Dinner at Agave Maria's Cantina (sold separately - must pre-order) / Or elsewhere on your own*

- 7:45 pm - Doors Re-Open for Registration
- 8:15pm Ladarke Sing Along / 8:30pm - Evening Dance Party / 11:30pm - Late Night Kafana

## **EVENING PROGRAMS**

### **FRIDAY AFTER DINNER**

AMAN oldies - Sing Along (with Susie B., Neil, Loretta, Paul Morrissett, + friends)  
Story Share & Schmoozing w/dessert & coffee bar  
10 min. Scandinavian Dance Set w/Loretta & friends  
Nama Orchestra Set -- a good ending to our fun day.

### **SATURDAY DURING DINNER at Agave Maria's**

Late Night Kafana Preview with **Nevenka & Balkan Central**, and **Big Rock Balalaika**  
Then our very own **Tamburitza Troubadours** will play for us on the lovely outdoor patio- lucky us!

### **SATURDAY AFTER DINNER - back at the ojai art center**

8:15pm - Ladarke sing along  
8:30pm - Nama Orchestra  
9:20pm - Middle Eastern (ghawazee, dabke) led by Samira  
9:30pm - Hungarian led by Steve and Susy Kotansky (NOTE this may be done to recorded music instead of live)  
9:45pm - Tamburitza!  
10:40pm - Bitov (Hlopka)

### **SATURDAY LATE-NIGHT KAFANA**

11:30pm - **BIG ROCK BALALAIKA** (Judy Sherman, Tina Granados, Stephanie Moss, Barbara Cakshiri, Billy Burke, Andy King (last number with Susie Burke & Balkan Central, Nevenka)  
Midnight - **NEVENKA** - Eastern European Chorus (Trudy Israel & the fabulous women of Nevenka!)  
12:30am - Ship of Fools Trio (Teri, Leslie & Chris)

**\*\*We have room for a couple short sets** - sign up if interested at [sullyburke@yahoo.com](mailto:sullyburke@yahoo.com) / 818-261-9691

- or talk to me at the reunion. See you there!