



Camp Sturtevant

Contra Dance Weekend

May 24–27, 2019

Memorial Day Weekend

Calling by

Dana Parkinson

With music by

Audrey Knuth on fiddle

& Amy Englesburg

on keyboard

“It was ridiculously magical fun!!!”

Jerry Wheeler



Enjoy hiking, singing, storytelling, games, delicious meals, non-gendered calling featuring Larks & Ravens, and of course... DANCING!

An Intimate hike-in camp located in the San Gabriel mountains of Southern California.



The California Dance Cooperative www.caldancecoop.org/sturtevant
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Location Deep in the Angeles Forest, under majestic trees, is Camp Sturtevant. Established in 1893, it is the only camp from the Great Hiking Era still in operation in southern California's San Gabriel Mountains. Surrounded by the largest virgin stand of Big Cone Spruce trees in the United States, Sturtevant's canyon setting provides a unique opportunity to experience wilderness, a historic location, and contra dance! The four-mile hike leads you up the lush, cool and shady Santa Anita Canyon to the cozy, inviting canyon setting of this beautiful camp setting. Complete with bunk bed cabins, a bathhouse, and a dining and dance hall, with a maple floor that has the natural spring of hundred-year-old horizontal pole framing. It is an intimate location for 40 campers. A pack train of mules hauls the food, creature comforts, and fuel up a trail that leaves roads, cars, crowds, disturbance, worry, and the bustle of LA miles away. The quiet canyon setting provides perfect solitude. The camp includes heated cabins, hot showers, a 30-foot tree swing, zip-trolley line, volleyball court, fireplaces, a warren of hiking trails, and the great outdoors for relaxing. It is a place *designed* for weekend fun, fantastic traditional music and, of course, contra dancing!

Dana Parkinson

Dana started contra dancing in 2009. Through support from her local community and inspiration from dancing at dozens of dance weekends, Dana soon found herself at a Contra Calling Workshop with Cis Hinkle. In no time at all she was calling local dances. She called her first dance weekend in 2012 and has been energizing dancers ever since!

Audrey Knuth

Audrey has made a name for herself in the music community, namely as a dance fiddler specializing in New England, Celtic and Old Time tunes. She occasionally has been known to use her audio engineering skills to put her degree to use as well. With her bands including the Free Raisins, The Gaslight Tinkers, Wake Up Robin and Audacious with Larry Unger, she has traveled across the United States (and world) playing for dances and concerts. Audrey's fiddling features American and Celtic tunes with elements of other traditions including swing and blues and can be described as rhythmically lively and spontaneous; she's guaranteed to get you up and dancing.

Amy Englesberg

Classically trained, brings joy to dancers across the country on piano and accordion. She was raised in the contra dance community, and has been playing for dances since 2010. Amy is based in Seattle WA, and is a member of The Free Raisins, Wake Up Robin, and Saving Daylight.

The hike We will meet at the trailhead no later than 2:00 PM on Friday to hike four miles in together. After dancing in the morning and lunch, we plan on returning to the trailhead by 5:00PM Monday.

Accommodations Heated bunk cabins, with gender-specific, co-ed/couple/multiple gender cabin options.

Tenting/hammock areas available. Please indicate on your registration form what your accommodation preferences are

Meals There will be nine nutritious, filling meals provided by our chef Brenda Goodman as part of the weekend. A variety of refreshments will be provided throughout the day.

Pack train portage A pack train of mules will be hauling our food, fuel, equipment and supplies. They will carry camper's personal items round trip. Items must be delivered to the third Saturday dance of May in South Pasadena or to Dan personally by Wednesday night. Out of town campers can

send boxes of items to Dan for inclusion in the pack train.

Registration You can send in application any time, however, a lottery will be held on April 1st if there are more applications received than spaces available. This weekend is not gender balanced. Acceptance notices will be sent after the April 1st. Registration is not transferable. Registration fee is \$395 per person. A \$50 deposit is required with your application. Balances must be paid in full by May 10th.

Cancellations A full refund will be given to cancellation requests received before May 10th.

Work Scholarships A limited number of partial work scholarships are available. Please contact Dan for more information.

For more information Contact Dan: dan@vilter.us 626.422.4364 or Lynn: lynn_ricketts@yahoo.com or visit the web site www.caldancecoop.org/sturtevant

Making welcoming and inclusive space for all • Gender free calling featuring Larks & Ravens • This weekend is not gender balanced • Dance with who's comin' atcha!

Name _____

(Name to appear on your badge)

Preferred Pronoun _____

ex. She/Her, They/Them, He/Him. (to appear on your badge)

Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip _____

Email _____

Phone Number _____

Withhold information from published list of participants:

Address Phone Email

Please specify any cabin preference,

Gender-specific _____,

Co-ed/couples/multiple gender cabin Tenting option.

Donation to Scholarship fund.

\$ _____

Carpool to Trail Head:

_____ # Passengers OR Need a ride

Housing for out of town dancers:

_____ Number I can provide Thurs Mon

OR

_____ Need Housing Thurs Monday

Make checks payable to **CDC** (\$50 min deposit) and send along with this form to:

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