

SUNDANCE GAZETTE

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TWO-STEPPING INTO 2008

The Sundance Association wishes you a very happy new year. 2007 was another exciting year for us. While our Friday night trial didn't work out, we still offered more dancing and lessons than ever before, and we're on target to do it all again in 2008. We're especially looking forward to celebrating our 10th anniversary at Sundance Saloon!

This past quarter saw our largest and most successful Sundance Stompede ever, raising a record \$20,344 for the AIDS/Breast Cancer Emergency Funds and the Rainbow World Fund. Thanks again to all of the volunteers, sponsors, donors, and participants who made it all happen.

We're also very proud that our first-ever Country Dance-A-Thon raised an additional \$15,000 for the Positive Resource Center and AIDS Emergency Fund. Other special

events made for a memorable season, including the Castro Street Fair, Halloween Party and the Holiday Ball.

Ready for more? Well polish your boots, dust off your hat, and come on down to Sundance Saloon for the Bay Area's Best Dancing. We're here every Thursday and Sunday, and the crowd couldn't be more welcoming!

And as we move into our tenth anniversary year, remember that we remain a nonprofit, all-volunteer organization. We are only as strong as the community that supports us – and thankfully this community has been wonderfully generous over the years. Please keep us thriving with your memberships and with your volunteering.



Thursdays, 6:30 – 10:30pm
Sundays, 5 – 10:30pm
550 Barneveld Ave., San Francisco

SUNDAY GREEN ROOM LESSONS JANUARY: CLOGGING

On Sundays in the Green Room we feature a different series of classes each month. A 4-week series is \$15 in addition to the Sundance Saloon admission charge. (No one is turned away for lack of funds.) In January, we are offering beginning clogging with the Barbary Coast Cloggers, 4 weeks beginning January 6. No advance registration necessary this month – just show up to the first class.

KARAOKE RETURNS TO SUNDANCE SALOON!

Country Karaoke returns to Sundance Saloon on Sunday nights, from 7:15 to 10:00pm upstairs in the Red Room. Grab the open mike, and belt out a few songs before a supportive and friendly audience.

SWEETHEART'S BALL & UNDERWEAR PARTY FEBRUARY 10

Bring your sweetheart, or find a new one at Sundance Saloon on Feb. 10, as we bring back the hit of the winter season, the Sweetheart's Ball and UNDERWEAR PARTY. No, you're not required to shed your jeans. If you're a little shy, consider long underwear or other creative ideas. For the more adventurous among you, we'll have a free clothes/coat-check that night, so you can undress for the occasion. Shadow dance, anyone? Admission \$5.

2008 SPECIAL EVENTS

Want to plan out your 2008 schedule? Here's a calendar of special Sundance events through the year (subject to change):

Feb 10 Sweetheart's Ball & Underwear Party
Feb 23-Mar 1 Sundance-RSVP Cruise
Apr 13 10th Anniversary Party (woo hoo!)
Jun 28-29 San Francisco Pride
Aug 3 Membership Appreciation Night
Aug 15-17 Bay Area Rodeo
Aug 24 Sundance Saloon Beach Party
Sep 7 Country Dance-A-Thon
Oct 5 Castro Street Fair
Oct 26 Sundance Saloon Halloween Party
Nov 6-9 The Sundance Stompede
Dec 14 Sundance Saloon Holiday Ball

And some other events of interest beyond the Bay Area:

Jan 18-20 Phoenix Rodeo
Apr 25-27 Emerald City Hoedown (Seattle)
May 2-4 Palm Springs Rodeo
May 23-25 Yo Ho Hoedown (Tampa Bay)
the 14th annual IAGLCWDC convention
Jun 20-22 Los Angeles Rodeo
Jul 25-27 Sacramento Rodeo
Sep 12-14 San Diego Rodeo
Sep 19-21 Las Vegas Rodeo

SUNDANCE STOMPEDE



Photo: Tim Wong

CASTRO STREET FAIR



HALLOWEEN



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JANUARY IS ETIQUETTE MONTH

As Sundance Saloon becomes more crowded, it is more important than ever to be courteous and respectful of other dancers. In January we will embark on a special campaign to raise awareness of basic dance etiquette. We'll review a couple rules here.

Dancers should look where they are going! Do not dance harder or faster than is safe. We can all expect an occasional mild bump, but if this is a regular feature of your dancing, or if you have even one major collision, think about why this might be happening.

Stay with the flow of traffic. Slower dancers move towards the inside and leave enough room for others to pass. If there is a gap in front of you, there's a good chance that you are obstructing traffic. (On the other hand, if a couple is dawdling in your way, it doesn't help to give dirty looks or to elbow your way through. Be patient until an opening presents itself when you can safely pass.)

SUNDANCE-RSVP CW DANCE CRUISE: FEB '08



There is still space available on our Caribbean Country-Western Dance Cruise in conjunction with RSVP, aboard Holland America's m.s. Zuiderdam with 1800 LGBT passengers, Feb. 23 to Mar. 1, 2008, leaving from Ft. Lauderdale and visiting Roatan, Belize, Cozumel and Half Moon Cay (Bahamas).

Every night will have country-western dancing, including some dances on the deck of the ship

under starry tropical skies! We'll also have dance workshops with Troy Inman and Dave Hayes ... plus all the usual fantastic RSVP amenities, entertainment, and camaraderie.

There is no longer a Sundance discount. But reserve with the Sundance group so we can keep you informed of our activities, and so Sundance gets credit for your booking. Our travel agency partner is Now Voyager: 1-800-255-6951, or jk@nowvoyager.com. More general info: www.rsvpvacations.com.

JAMBALAYA

4-wall line dance

Music: Start the Car (Travis Tritt)

count step

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| 1, 2 | Rock R in front of L, recover onto L |
| 3&4 | Shuffle right R, L, R |
| 5, 6 | Rock L in front of R, recover onto R |
| 7&8 | Shuffle left L, R, L |
| 9&10 | Shuffle R, L, R 45° forward/left while turning ½ left |
| 11, 12 | Rock back L, recover onto R |
| 13&14 | Shuffle L, R, L 45° forward/left while turning ½ left |
| 15, 16 | Step R to side, step L next to R |
| 17, 18 | Facing 45° right, kick R forward, kick R to side |
| 19&20 | Step R behind L, step L to left, cross R over L |
| 21, 22 | Facing 45° left, kick L forward, kick L to side |
| 23&24 | Step L behind R, step R to right, cross L over R |
| 25&26 | Turn ¼ right, shuffle forward R, L, R |
| 27, 28 | Step forward L, pivot ½ right |
| 29&30 | Shuffle forward L, R, L |
| 31 | Step forward R with ½-turn left |
| 32 | Step back L with ½-turn left |

2008 SUNDANCE STOMPEDE PLANNING MEETING JANUARY 13

The 2008 Sundance Stompede takes place November 6-9. Do you want to be a part of the team that creates this amazing, internationally-acclaimed country-western dance weekend? We invite you to the kick-off planning meeting: Sunday, January 13, 5:30–7:00pm, in the Red Room at Sundance Saloon (upstairs from the Green Room).

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