



THE SUNDANCE GAZETTE

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Two-steppin' – Two Nights!

THURSDAYS 6:30-10:30pm

lessons 7:00-8:00

open dancing 8:00-closing

SUNDAYS 5:00-10:30pm

lessons 5:30-7:15

open dancing 7:15-closing

550 Barneveld Ave., San Francisco

Admission \$5 • 21+ with ID

www.sundancesaloon.org



**San Francisco's
Country-Western
Dance Weekend**

October 11-14, 2012

Three days of dance workshops ...

Four nights of dance parties ...

800 cowboys and cowgirls ...

One great weekend!

Stay tuned for more details. 2011

photos, videos, and line dance

step sheets on our website now.

www.stompede.com



The Sundance Association is an all-volunteer community-based 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization dedicated to the promotion of country-western dancing in the LGBT community through education and public dance events.

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Happy New Year from Sundance Saloon!

We enjoyed another wonderful year of dancing and community in 2011, and we look forward to 2012 with country-western dancing every Thursday and Sunday at Sundance Saloon, at our numerous special events throughout the year, and at our new monthly Saturday night SOMA Country dance at Beatbox.

We'll continue our extensive array of dance lessons for all levels throughout the year. If you haven't been to Sundance Saloon in a while, dust off your boots and make it a New Year's resolution to get out more. You'll be glad you did!

This past quarter was a busy season for us, notable for the Castro Street Fair, Sundance Stompede, Halloween, Country Dance-a-Thon, and the Holiday Ball. We were proud to support the greater LGBT community by raising over \$24,000 at the Sundance Stompede, and over \$4,000 at the Country Dance-a-Thon.

New Year's Eve Dance

December 31, 2011 • 6 pm – 1 am

The Hotel Whitcomb

1231 Market St., San Francisco

We are excited to present our third annual New Year's Eve dance in the beautiful ballroom of the Hotel Whitcomb, adjacent to the Civic Center MUNI/BART station! Please join us for a festive night as the country-western dance community gathers to ring in the new year together. Optional dinner 6:00 - 8:00 pm, lessons 8:00 - 9:00 pm (beginning two-step and line dance), then open dancing 9:00 to 1:00 am.

Dinner with dance is \$50 (advance sales only, limited capacity); dance only is \$30 at the door, or \$25 in advance. Advance tickets are available through December 22 at Sundance Saloon, or on-line until December 27 (www.sundancesaloon.org).



Look for information soon on a new project, "Illuminating Sundance" to be directed by communications specialist and researcher Elenie Opffer. Through interviews with Sundancers Elenie will explore the creation of a community that connects people in a way that goes beyond mere recreation. We hope you'll participate and share your thoughts about what Sundance means to you.

As an all-volunteer non-profit organization, we'd like to thank the dozens of volunteers and members who help to make Sundance Saloon – and all of our projects – a reality. Sundance is such a special place because of the combined efforts of so many.

Here's to a happy new year from Sundance Saloon, filled with plenty of dancing and friendship. See you on the dance floor!

Sundays in the Green Room

Each month we present a different focus of lessons in the Green Room on Sundays, 5:30 - 6:30 pm, and we continue our **Line Dance 101 series** every Sunday 6:30 - 7:15 pm.

• January: Beginning West Coast Swing.

Some partner dance experience recommended. 3-week series. Pre-registration required, \$15.

• February: Beginning-Plus West Coast Swing.

Presumes knowledge of the basics and builds to the intermediate level in this 3-week series. Pre-registration required, \$15.

• **March: Beginning-Plus Two-Step.** Bridges the gap between beginning and intermediate levels. Drop-in, no extra fee.

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More Upcoming Sundance Events

see www.sundancesaloon.org for details

Doublewide Delights at Sundance Saloon – Sunday, Jan. 29

Tomas cooks up a storm and brings his country feast to Sundance Saloon. Country attire and big appetites encouraged.

Sweetheart's Ball & Underwear Party at Sundance Saloon – Sunday, Feb. 12

Bring your sweetheart or find a new one! Our annual Valentine's Party sees the return of the enormously popular Underwear Party. We'll have a special free coat/clothes-check for you. (Reminder: participation is optional: dress however you feel comfortable.)

RSVP Caribbean Cruise – Feb. 12–19

Sundance Saloon adds country-western dancing and lessons to RSVP's many entertainment choices aboard Holland America's gorgeous *Nieuw Amsterdam* on this special all-gay cruise.

Oscar Night at Sundance Saloon – Sunday, Feb. 26

You don't have to choose between the Oscars and dancing – you can do both! We'll broadcast the Academy Awards live in the Green Room at Sundance Saloon starting at 5:00 pm.

THE PHOTO GALLERY

We had a busy autumn season! Here are some scenes from the Castro Street Fair, the Sundance Stompede, and the Halloween Party at Sundance Saloon. More photos at www.sundancesaloon.org.



Tumbleweed

2-wall line dance

Music: "Tonight We Ride" – Michael Martin Murphey

count step

1, 2 Kick R forward, step R back

3, 4 Step L back, step R back

5 Touch L back

6&7 Shuffle forward L, R, L

8&9 Shuffle forward R, L, R

10, 11 Step L forward; pivot ½-turn right

12&13 Shuffle forward L, R, L

14, 15 Step R forward; pivot ¼-turn left

16, 17 Step R forward; pivot ¼-turn left

18, 19 Cross R over L

19 Step L to left (begin turn to the right)

20 Step R to the right with ½-turn to the right

21 Step L same direction with ½-turn to the right

22 Step R same direction with ½-turn to the right

23&24 Shuffle forward L, R, L

25&26 Shuffle forward R, L, R

27 Stomp L next to R

28, 29 Swivel heels left; swivel heels right

SUNDANCE ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP

Why you should become a member.

- ★ The Sundance Association is a publicly-supported all-volunteer non-profit organization.
- ★ Your donation allows us to meet our expenses while keeping our public fees affordable for everyone.
- ★ Your membership donation is tax-deductible.
- ★ 25% of our income is derived from memberships.
- ★ 100% of your donation is channeled back directly into the projects of Sundance.
- ★ Our administrative costs are among the lowest of any nonprofit organization, less than 5% of our total expenses.

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