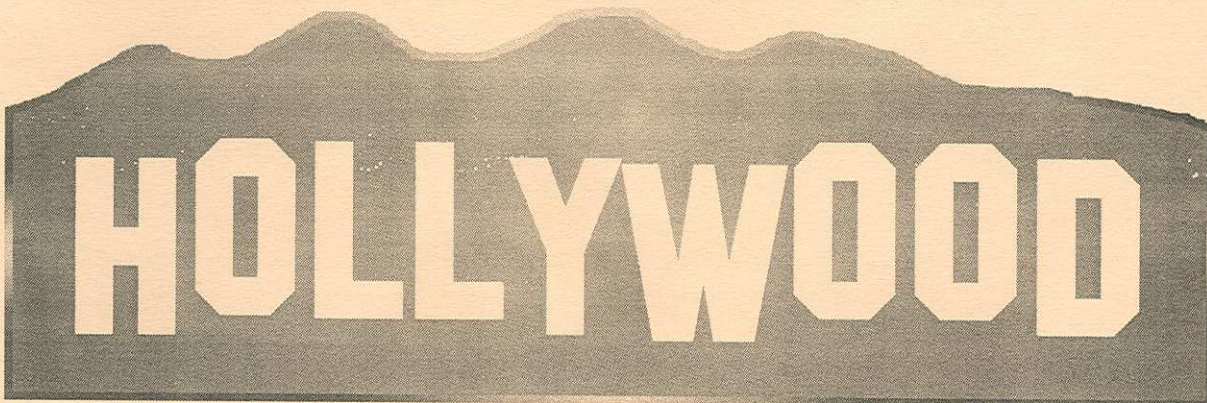


Balalaikas Go



Arizona Balalaika Orchestra

Kalinka
Russian
Dancers

Richard Holden
Choreographer

Anatoly Mamalyga
Guest Conductor

Sons of
Orpheus
Men's Chorus

Grayson Hirst
Director

Guest Soloist
Iryna Orlova
Domra

Sat. Feb. 5th, 2005 at 7:30 pm, Sun. Feb. 6th, 2005 at 2 pm



Pima Community College
Center for the Arts

Proscenium Theatre

PROGRAM

- Tsar's Anthem** Gliere
- Lara's Theme** M. Jarre
arr: A. Mamalyga
- Troika** traditional
Kalinka Russian Dancers
- At the Balalaika** G. Posford - B. Grün
Grayson Hirst, tenor
arr: A. Mamalyga
- Ey Ukhnyem** arr: Keneman
David Harrington, baritone, with the Sons of Orpheus
inst: V. Gorodinsky
- Marusya Raz Dva** Ukrainian Cossack March
Sons of Orpheus
arr: S. Andrusyszyn - M. Bulgarin
- March from 'Bridge Over the River Kwai'** M. Arnold
arr: I. Orlova - A. Mamalyga
- Bublichki Dance** arr: M. Gay
Kalinka Russian Dancers
- Guest Artists – Iryna Orlova, Domra – Anatoly Mamalyga, Bayan**
selections to be announced
- Vydu ya na Rechenku** G. Mihylichenko
Iryna Orlova, domra
arr: A. Mamalyga

INTERMISSION

- Tschaikowsky (And Other Russians)** K. Weill
Steven Abramson, vocals and piano
lyrics: I. Gershwin
- Siberia** C. Porter
Ivan Berger, Jeffrey Dunn, Jim Hogan, vocals - Brent Burmeister, piano
- Russian Sailor's Dance** Gliere
Kalinka Russian Dancers
arr: S. Wolownik
- Lipa Vekovaya** Culikov-Tsigankov
arr: W. Kasura
- Kalinka** traditional
Nina Tritenichenko, vocals
- Rumanian Song and Czardas** V. Andreyev
Dan Nicolini, balalaika
arr: W. Kasura
- Pod Dugoy** traditional
Kalinka Russian Dancers
- Moi Tsyganochki** arr: B. Goldes
Nina Tritenichenko, vocals
- Hymn from 'Hunt for the Red October'** B. Poledouris
Sons of Orpheus
arr: A. Tsadikovsky
- 'Fiddler on the Roof' Medley** J. Bock - S. Harnik
Sons of Orpheus - Kalinka Russian Dancers
arr: M. Gay

PROGRAM NOTES

Welcome to the **Arizona Balalaika Orchestra's** 25th Anniversary Concert of Russian and Ukrainian music and dance. We've decided to try something a little different for today's event by featuring many well-known tunes from motion pictures in this "**Balalaikas Go Hollywood!**" concert! You may be surprised at some of the familiar Russian music that has been used in movies.

The Orchestra began in 1980 as a student ensemble at the University of Arizona Russian Department, performing on inexpensive tourist-grade instruments under the direction of our founder and Musical Director, **Mia Bulgarin Gay**. Through membership in the Balalaika and Domra Association of America and study trips to BDAA conventions, the Soviet Union and Russia, we have expanded the quality and quantity of our instruments and repertoire. In 1987, with the help of the Tucson Summer Arts Festival and the BDAA, we featured today's special guest performer **Iryna Orlova** in her first trip to the U.S. In 1989 the **Kalinka Russian Dancers** were formed by our resident choreographer **Richard Holden**. Over the years the Orchestra has performed throughout Arizona and in Sonora, Mexico. We have hosted the annual BDAA convention in Tucson in 1989 and again this past July.

We are pleased to have as our guest conductor **Dr. Anatoly Mamalyga**, a graduate of the Kiev State "Tchaikovsky" Conservatory of the University of Culture, Kiev, Ukraine, and recipient of the Honored Artist of Ukraine Award for his accomplishments as a bayan soloist, conductor, composer and arranger. For many years Anatoly directed the Ukrainian folk ensemble "Ridny Naspivy" (Native Tunes), and, with his wife Iryna, has toured extensively though Europe, Canada, and the United States.

Our guest domra soloist is a favorite of Tucson audiences, the talented **Iryna Orlova**. She is also a graduate of the Kiev State "Tchaikovsky" Conservatory and is the winner of many competitions, including the Ukrainian Music Competition of Stage Performance, the USSR Music Competition of Stage Performance, and the Ukrainian Competition of Folk Instruments. Iryna and Anatoly are co-directors of the Los Angeles-St. Petersburg Russian Folk Orchestra.

We are very fortunate to have as a member of our Orchestra the talented and versatile **Nina Tritenichenko**. Nina is a graduate of Kiev State Educator's University, where she majored in bayan performance and music education. She is a piano and accordion teacher, performer, and director of the "Barvinok" Ukrainian ensemble.

Richard Holden has choreographed over 40 dances for the **Kalinka Russian Dancers** in many Slavic styles. Richard is a former dancer and member of the renowned American Ballet Theater, the Metropolitan Opera, and the Joffrey Ballet. Russian speaking, Richard has studied and notated Slavic character dance in Poland and Russia. Though he "retired" to Tucson, he continues to choreograph for dance and opera companies in Arizona and throughout the United States.

Our 25th anniversary concert would not be complete without the exciting talents of the **Sons of Orpheus Male Choir of Tucson**, collaborating with us for the tenth consecutive year! Founded and directed by **Grayson Hirst**, Orpheus performs a broad range of classical and popular works from many periods and in many languages, and has toured in Germany, the United Kingdom, and last year in Italy. Julliard-trained Grayson Hirst has performed as a tenor with leading orchestras and opera companies for over 30 years and is a Professor of Voice at the U of A School of Music.

Special thanks go to our Technical Director **Mia Hansen**, whose invaluable skills as a dance captain, grant writer, publicist, and stage manager have made this production possible. We also thank our many guests performers who have joined us once again from Houston and Reno, as well as our newest Tucson members. We are always looking for new talent! If you are interested in joining us, or simply being informed of future shows, please sign our mailing list, contact one of our members, or visit our website listed on the back page. Now....sit back and enjoy "**Balalaikas Go Hollywood!**"

Dan Nicolini

Executive Director

Arizona Balalaika Orchestra

* denotes guest

Prima Balalaika

Stephen Andrusyszyn
Dan Nicolini

Secunda Balalaika

Richard Holden
Guy Velgos

Alto Balalaika

Augi Gustilo
Michael Sherrick*

Bass Balalaika

Zeny Ocean*

Contrabass Balalaika

Don Copley

Prima Domra

Sam Brown
Suzanne Forgach
Mia Bulgarin Gay

Michael Markowitz

Dixie Nixon
Iryna Orlova*
Kathleen Schwartzman
Natalie Sherrick*

Alto Domra

Marilyn King*
Rosita Kirkman*
Megan Murphy-Lee
Lulu Nicolosi
Mark Rossi

Bass Domra

Joanne Dodd*
Janet Major

Percussion

Brent King
Ariana Nicolini

Gusli

Olga Yakovenko

Bayan/Accordion

Vadim Khavrun*
Agnes Sprunger
Nina Trittenichenko

Clarinet

Sara Johnson
Marlene Rubinoff

Flute

Aileen Dyer-Bell

Kalinka Russian Dancers

Stephen Andrusyszyn
Lori Franklin Garcia
Carly Greenan

Nancy Hammarstrom
Chaz Knight
Christopher Marcum

Elizabeth Mikesell
Kathleen Schwartzman
Jennifer Wood-Bonnell

Sons of Orpheus

* indicates charter member

** indicates section leader

First Tenors

Sergio Castro-Reino
Jeffrey Dunn
Eugene Friesen
Richard "Alan" Groben
Bob Hewett
Maurice Hill**
Bob Kurtz
Tom McGorray
Bruce Mortensen
James Naughton
Matt Perri
Robert Swaim
Jim Tomlinson
Jerry Villano

Second Tenors

Mark Aquilano
Jim Campbell*
John Hayes
Jim Hogan**
Jack Hughes
Peter Lancaster
Nate Miller
Richard Miller
Steven Moore
Mike O'Sullivan
Carl Russell
Larry Sayre
Edwin Strain

Baritones

Bill Couchman
Chuck Dickson
Pete DiCurti
Art Dumes
John Evans
Cameron Fordyce
Michael Fraser
David Harrington
Van Honeman
David Kaiser
Ned Mackey**
Rick Sack
Raymond Tess
Vern Williamsen
David Yetman

Basses

Ivan Berger
Michael Bezusko
Barry Blatt
Richard Craig
John Fountain
Jeffrey Handt
Jeff Howard
Paul Lauritzen
Al Paulus
John Shackelford
Gary Smyth
Thomas Wentzel**
Kurtis Williams

Credits

Production Stage Manager and personal assistant to Richard Holden, Mia Hansen

Kalinka costumes created by Jennifer Wood-Bonnell, Mia Gay, Mia Hansen, Madalene Maxwell

Program design by Stephen Andrusyszyn

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