



Bennington Beledi Tribal Bellydance *July 2010 Newsletter*



On Saturday, June 19th, BBTB hosted Shimmies For Shakes at the Unitarian Universalist Meetinghouse. Sahidi, SOS and BBTB students performed along with Cyndal Ellis and The Sovereign Collective, Susanne Claxton and Inanna, Joann Larson, Sisterhood of the Silk Road, Dev Austin and Zahra Al-Baida. Proceeds from the event were donated by BBTB to the Red Cross for world-wide disaster relief. Laura Bittel sold Le BeJu handpainted bracelets and leather cuffs and a portion of the sale price will also be donated to the Red Cross. If you are interested in purchasing items at the discounted price, email lebeju@yahoo.com and mention Shimmies For Shakes.



Photos by Mike Levy and Charlie Bargamian

Movin' on Up

Tammy Fraser was officially welcomed to Sisters of the Shawl in a Shawl Ceremony on June 10th. Congratulations to Tammy, who made her debut with SOS at the Shimmies For Shakes event.

Upcoming Events

July 14th: : SOS will perform at Bennington Project Independence at 1:30 PM

July 23rd: Sahidi will perform during the Sun Break at the Pittsfield Colonials game at Wahconah Park in Pittsfield, 7:30 PM.

July 26th: SOS will perform at the Equinox Terrace in Manchester at 2:30 PM.

August 7th: SOS at the Walloomsac Farmer's Market, 10-1 in Bennington.

August 15th: BBTB students and troupe members march in the annual Battle Day Parade. See Kat if interested.

September 18th: SOS at the Walloomsac Farmer's Market, 10-1 in Bennington.

General Class & Dues Info Classes are held on Thursdays

Level 1 class is 5:15-6:15; Cues & Transitions 6:15-6:45; and Level 2 class 6:45-7:15. Dues for Level 1 classes are \$30/month or \$8/class. Dues for Level 1 & Cues are \$40/mo or \$13 night (\$8 for Level 1 & \$5 for Cues).

Please plan to arrive early enough to see Kathleen (Kat or Kathy in her absence) and pay dues before class begins. If you arrive late, please see one of the above immediately after Level 1 class.

If you are interested in moving up to Cues & Transitions, please see a Sahidi Sister.

Do You Wanna Dance?

If you know of local dance events please email us so we can include them in our monthly newsletter. We're always looking for opportunities to shimmy!

Friday, July 23rd: Alex Torres and His Latin Orchestra at Hildene in Manchester, 7:30 p.m., doors open at 5:00. Dance lessons at 6:30 for \$10. Tickets are \$14 in advance, \$18 at the door. To purchase tickets: www.brownpapertickets.com
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Kathy's New Tattoo!

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