

“Café Caravan” Workshops and Concert

“Café Caravan” Workshops and Concert combining Dave Brubeck and Bellydance presented by Kahraman Near East Dance Ensemble with Salaam World Music Ensemble and Saul Lubaroff.

On Feb. 6th 2010, Kahraman brings together Middle Eastern music and American jazz with dance for a day of classes and concert. At the workshops, community musicians are invited to join the ranks of luminaries such as Brubeck, Sting, Peter Gabriel, and Ellington who have studied and found inspiration for new work in the sounds of the East.

A music workshop, “Maqams and Fascinating Rhythms” will be taught by members of Salaam World Music Ensemble. Salaam was recently featured on NPR for their research into traditional Iraqi scales as well as new works created by the group’s leader, Dena El Saffar. Local musicians are encouraged to bring their instrument of choice to the workshop to experience Middle Eastern scales and melodic lines to be applied to their own musical expression. All levels of expertise are welcome. Workshop participants will be encouraged to perform a work based on the class material with Salaam at the evening’s concert.

A dance workshop, “Prepare to Meet Your Dum” will also be held in conjunction with the music workshop. Teachers Tim Moore, Salaam percussionist and Marie Wilkes, artistic director of Kahraman Near East Dance Ensemble will instruct dancers on the unusual rhythms of the Near East and ways to use them to create new movement.

The evening concert, starring Salaam, will continue the day’s fusion theme and feature local Jazz musician Saul Lubaroff as well as dances provided by Kahraman Near East Dance Ensemble.

Workshops “Maqams and Fascinating Rhythms” and “Prepare to Meet Your Dum”
1- 4 PM, at Old Brick, 26 E. Market St. Iowa City
Pre-registration is \$40, \$30(full time students). Registration form and information is available at www.kahramandance.org events page.
Registration at the door will be \$45, \$35(full time students)

Evening Concert “Café Caravan”, also at Old Brick
Door opens at 7:30 with live music beginning at 8 PM.
Tickets can be purchased at Prairie Lights and are \$12 in advance and \$15 at the door.
Hot beverages and desserts will be a featured part of the evening.

More information and the registration form are available on the web at www.kahramandance.org or contact Kahraman at 319-354-9638.