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## Santa Barbara Dance Alliance presents The Santa Barbara International Dance Festival

### Summary Facts:

- The Santa Barbara International Dance Festival
- Saturday, August 28, 2010, 11am-7pm ; Chase Palm Park, 236 E. Cabrillo Blvd, Santa Barbara
- Produced by Santa Barbara Dance Alliance
- Presented by Montecito Bank & Trust
- In Collaboration with "Moon Over Morocco"
- Now free to the public and includes: dance classes, arts and crafts vendors, delicious food, and all-day performances from a variety of ethnic dance groups.
- For more information, contact Santa Barbara Dance Alliance at 966-6950 or visit [www.sbdancealliance.org](http://www.sbdancealliance.org).
- Editors note: Photo opportunities and interviews available upon request

**Santa Barbara, CA** –Santa Barbara International Dance Festival Saturday, August 28, 2010, 11am-7pm. SBDA has been presenting the International Dance festival since 1994; our event is now **free** to the public, and includes dance classes, arts and crafts vendors, delicious food, and all-day performances from a huge variety of ethnic dance groups including: Irish Step, East Indian, Hula, Middle Eastern, Flamenco, and traditional California native folk dances.

This is the first year SBDA will present the festival at Chase Palm Park, a beautiful and large format that is easily accessed by public transportation. The new location will increase our audience capacity to that of similar festivals that take place in this location. We are thrilled that this expansion makes ours one of the largest free ethnic dance festivals on the central coast; this raises exposure for our performers and provides an opportunity for regional vendors to sell their culturally diverse wares, bringing in colorful flavor that celebrates artistry from around the world.

After 16 years of producing this festival, SBDA has a strong following of community members who look forward to one of the only local multi-cultural events left that celebrates and supports the ethnic dance community. This year we have joined forces and formed collaboration with the ever popular ethnic dance festival (Moon Over Morocco), in an effort to maximize our resources and present an even more spectacular event for the public. Moon Over Morocco has a loyal following of world renown Middle Eastern dancers, musicians, and vendors who will join us and enhance the cultural vibrancy our festival.

Groups performing this year are *Alma De Mexico*-Mexican Folk, *Claddagh Dance*- Irish Step, *East India Dance Company*- Bollywood and Classical Indian Dance, *Got Country?*- Country, *Hip Blessings Middle East Dance Collective*-Middle Eastern, *Hula Anyone*- Polynesian, *Melange*-Afro-Fusion, *Paloma Rios School of Flamenco*-Flamenco, *Rhythm Fitness*- Hip-hop, *Rubans Rouges Dance*-Modern, *Suenos Cubanos*- Afro-Cuban, and *Vega Flamenco Studio*- Flamenco, just to name a few.

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### **ABOUT SANTA BARBARA DANCE ALLIANCE**

Santa Barbara Dance Alliance is a resource organization whose mission is to educate, promote, and increase awareness and quality of dance and other performing arts in the community. Since being founded in 1979, SBDA has been dedicated to supporting the local dance community through our Showcase performance series, Community events, Education programs, Umbrella Memberships, and our Youth Education Scholarships.

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