

1996 MINNESOTA
Renaissance Festival



Weekends & Labor Day
August 17 – September 29

Joust For The Fun of It!

Greetings from King Henry and his Queen Katherine at the 1996 Minnesota Renaissance Festival. Leave 20th century pressures behind and enter a magical world of discovery and adventure during this period of intellectual and artistic rebirth. Enjoy the gallantry, beauty, romance, and adventure that is the Renaissance — *joust for the fun of it.*








History and imagination are the back drop for more than 500 entertainers who fill the Realm and perform on ten festive stages. Wander down the village pathways and mingle with a multitude of memorable characters from the princes and princesses to jugglers, jousters, magicians, gypsies, peasants and wizards. Take a spin on a Renaissance ride. Challenge a friend to a game of chess. Watch brave jousting knights battle for glory. Scale the new Dragon's Tower. Dance at the Drum Jam. 'Tis a season of merriment at the royal village.

Festival shopkeepers hail from all corners of the U.S.A. and beyond and fill the 260 unique shops of the bustling Village Marketplace. Purchase fine hand-crafted wares including jewelry, pottery, glass, leather and musical instruments or watch the artisans demonstrate their talents and create their wares. Tour the Hall of Masters and The Galerie.

Chefs and bakers will tempt you with an array of delicious food fit for a King! A majestic spread including roasted turkey legs, hearty soups, salted nut rolls, onion blossoms, elephant ears and more are guaranteed to fill any size appetite. Conclude your feast by raising a chalice filled with your favorite beverage to the generous hospitality of King Henry and Queen Katherine.

Thus with anticipation, we bid you welcome and remind you of King Henry's royal address: "Experience a remarkable 16th century day *joust for the fun of it!*"

Ye Olde Information (refer to map in center of program)

-  **ATM/CASH TRANSACTIONS:** Express Teller™ cash machines located outside the Main Entrance by the Ticket Booth and on the north end of the Festival grounds in Folkestone Welly.
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-  **INFORMATION BOOTH:** Located between the Bakery Stage and Bad Manor.
- LOST CHILDREN'S AREA:** Meet at the Information Booth located between Bakery Stage and Bad Manor.
-  **LOST & FOUND:** Check at the Information Booth prior to 7:00 pm. After 7:00 pm on Sunday, items will be taken to the Festival office.
-  **PHONES:** Located on the west side of the Ticket Booth, outside the Main Entrance.
-  **PRIVIES:** Renaissance Rest Areas are located throughout the Village. Consult your Map for locations.
-  **SAFETY SERVICES:** The King's Guard is available to assist in any emergency. They are costumed in red pants and yellow tunics with a red cross, and carry poles with a red cross on the flag. Individuals with disabilities should direct questions or comments to Safety Services. A staff member will be contacted to assist you.



Joust For Your Amusement

INGLENOOK WINE GALA – August 17 & 18

Joust For the Fun of It, King Henry requests that all guests sample the fine wines of the realm at daily wine tastings compliments of Inglenook. Join in the 6th Annual Charity Wine Auction with the proceeds benefiting the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. Jump into a good time at the annual Grape Stomp. Test your balance and build self-confidence as you scale Dragon's Tower located in the Children's Realm.

MID-EAST MIRAGE – August 24 & 25

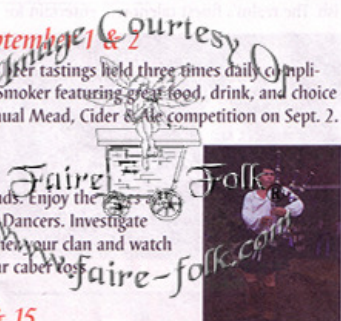
Behold the exotic culture of the orient as you enjoy Arabian musicians, dancers, and Bedouin merchants. A majestic Arabian Horse exhibition will take place twice daily. Leave your inhibitions behind and partake in village belly dancing lessons. Compete in the belly dancing competition at 5:00 p.m. or sit back and watch the festivities unfold.

PABST ROYAL ALE FESTIVAL – August 31, September 1 & 2

Visit with a brewmaster and toast your good fortune at the village. Beer tastings held three times daily compliments of Pabst Brewing Co. Make plans to attend the Renaissance Smoker featuring great food, drink, and choice cigars on August 31 and September 1. Attend King Henry's 2nd Annual Mead, Cider & Ale competition on Sept. 2.

A HIGHLAND FLING – September 7 & 8

Don ye kilts, lads and lassies, for the 2nd celebration of the Highlands. Enjoy the tunes of the plaiders of village bagpipers or kick up your heels with the Highland Dancers. Investigate Scottish heritage and visit with the Coalition of Scottish Clans. Gather your clan and watch sheepherding or the heavy events competition including the popular caber toss.



A ROMANTIC ARTS AFFAIR – September 14 & 15



Engage yourself in romantic notions as you renew your royal wedding vows, listen to romantic melodies, or compete in a Wooing Contest. Bid on wares at the Silent Craft Auction with the Minnesota Museum of American Art and the Craft Emergency Relief Fund as beneficiaries. Compete in the TalkAlong Treasure Hunt to win a romantic getaway. The 9th Annual Sign Language Saturday will feature experts interpreting select stage acts.

COFFEE, TEAS, & MELODIES – September 21 & 22

Taste a sample of flavorful McGarvey coffee and teas while listening to the village troubadours, dulcimers, and minstrels play magical tunes. Enjoy the Court Revelers, Elizabethan Syngers, Haymarket Minstrels, Bedlam, the Milk Maids, Gregorian chanter, and other talented musicians perform throughout the day. Attend the Queen's Tea or Village flower exhibit. Join us for a relaxing day of warm drinks and fall breezes.

PIRATES, PLEASURES, & TREASURES – September 28 & 29

Mystery and excitement fill the realm on the final Festival weekend. An explosion of exciting games, including a Lego castle building contest and TalkAlong Treasure Hunt will keep lads and lassies entertained. Watch the children's Costume Parade and participate in the Bruegger's / Club Kid Treasure Hunt and Knighting Ceremony. Come back Joust For the Fun of It again next year!

◆ Feast of Fantasy ◆ Queen's Tea ◆ ◆ New Renaissance Smoker ◆



ood is treated as a production at the Minnesota Renaissance Festival and everyone has a front row seat at the Feast of Fantasy, Queen's Tea and

NEW Renaissance Smoker.

The **13th Annual Feast of Fantasy** takes place in the lively atmosphere of Bad Manor and has become a tradition for many festival patrons. The Feast Beasts and Bill are back once again to entertain their guests and ensure that each course is served with a proper flourish. The realm's finest talent will entertain for over



two hours with music, comedy and magic. A commemorative twelve ounce chalice and keychain will remind everyone of their fun-filled afternoon.

Queen Katherine and her royal friends host the **Queen's Tea** at 4:00 p.m. daily. The Queen's guests enjoy a light, four-course meal featuring salad, scones, finger sandwiches and a scrumptious dessert while enjoying over an hour of entertainment and traditional English tea service. This unforgettable event will have the whole family laughing.

King Henry has ordered a Renaissance Smoker to be held at 4:45 p.m. on Saturday, August 31 and Sunday, September 1. The Smoker features two premium cigars, a five-course gourmet meal, complimentary beer and wine; King Henry's finest entertainment, a commemorative gift and admission to the Festival.

Limited seating is available for all three events and space sells out early. To check availability, contact the East Information Booth located outside of Bad Manor.

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What Was The Renaissance?



he intellectual, cultural, and artistic movement known as the "Renaissance" began in Florence, Italy during the 14th Century, and had encompassed the entirety of Europe by the beginning of the 17th Century. The Renaissance was an age of enlightenment, but moreover it was an age of education, exploration, discovery, and adventure!

The Renaissance movement was inspired by a secular spirit; less religious than that of the dark ages. People developed a renewed interest in classical civilization. Laymen and princes encouraged and expected people to learn poetry, art, literature, and practice in the ways of chivalry. As these neoteric ideas spread throughout Europe, there was a separation from Medieval thinking

and a rebirth of creative thought, a renewal of classical art, and a revival of classical literature and architecture.

The spirit of optimism that this historic movement represents is preserved here at the Minnesota Renaissance Festival. And visitors, one and all, are invited to share in the gallantry, beauty, romance, and adventure that is the Renaissance!



A Renaissance For Your Ears.

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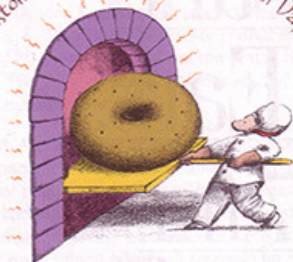
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Joust For Family Fun

Dragon's Tower is a highlighted addition to the Renaissance Village. Young and old are encouraged to live life on the edge, take on the challenge and climb to new heights! Six climbing stations will allow everyone to test their balance as well as build self-confidence and trust.

After a fun-filled climb, children will enjoy a variety of activities in the **Children's Realm**. Receive a **Certificate of Knighthood** with the completion of **Knighting School**, design a magic wand and create a memorable treasure at the **Paper Medallion Press**. Pose for a keepsake at one of the many **Photo Scenes** located throughout the Village. Hold both domestic and exotic animals at the **Children's Petting Zoo**. Complete the **Bruggers ClubKid Treasure Hunt** and become a Knight of the Realm in an official **Bruggers Ceremony**.

Adventurous whelps may challenge a friend to one of the many Village games that award victors with prizes:



Archery & Darts
Vegetable Justice
Dueling Buckets
Jacob's Ladder

New! Knock Your Block Off

Giant Maze
King of the Log
Sliding Joust
Chess Booth **New!**
King's Academy of Arms Fencing Ring

Young and old will enjoy a spin on one of the human-powered Renaissance rides or a walk around the grounds aboard an elephant, camel or llama. Additional rides include:

Butterfly ride
The Ship Ride
Round-a-Bout

Pony ride
Cabriolet (The 16th-century taxicab)

The Renaissance Festival also offers quality wares and unique opportunities for children of all ages:

Wooden Boats
Wooden Swords & Shields
Wax Hands
Crystal Stix
Hand Puppets
Wooden & Ceramic Whistles
Coloring Books
Face Painting
Sand Bottles

Wooden Toys
Name Puzzles
Children's Name Bracelets
Children's Costume Pieces and Hats
Hobby Horses, Puppets
Bubble Wands
Polished Rocks
Garlands
Glass Dragon's Tears



New Treats And



FROTHY FRUIT DRINKS: This creamy and frosty delight is a favorite in the Village and guaranteed to satisfy.



ROYAL DELIGHTS: Cakes and pastries so rich and sweet they will satisfy the sweet tooth in all!



ELEPHANT EARS: A sweet deep fried dough covered with your favorite toppings makes this a mouth-watering temptation.



BLOOMING ONION: A blossom of a snack! A large battered onion, deep fried and served piping hot with a secret cheesy sauce.



BAVARIAN NUTS: Lightly salted and slowly roasted to perfection, these nuts are the perfect snack to satisfy the wandering shopper.

PRETZEL PIZZAZZ: Served warm with the option to dip in mustard or hot cheddar cheese, these huge love knots were used as a sign of affection in the Old Country.



TURKEY LEGS: Dripping with sauce and cooked to perfection, this Renaissance Festival tradition allows everyone to feel like King Henry.



PINEAPPLE FRUIT MELANGE: A large tropical pineapple halved, sliced then topped with fresh strawberries, melons and sprinkled with blueberries.

Olde Favorites

BBQ RIBS: Succulent beef ribs charbroiled and bathed in a rich and spicy barbecue sauce.



BANANA CREAM PUFF: A delicate French pastry filled with a light vanilla cream, smothered with bananas, and topped with whipped cream and a rich caramel sauce.



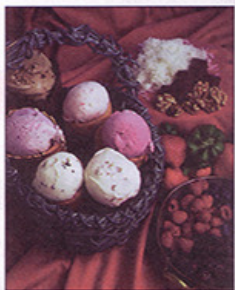
CAESAR SALAD: Hearts of Romaine coated with a garlic lemon dressing and garnished with sour-dough croutons.



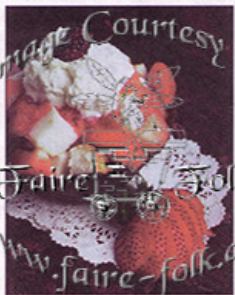
GRILLED GARDEN FAVORITES: Fresh vegetables from the Queen's garden are grilled to tender perfection and served with her very own secret sauce.



GREEK PITA SALAD: Crisp lettuce served with fresh tomatoes, olives, and feta cheese, accompanied with a slice of pita bread. A light but satisfying meal.



ICE CREAM: Rich and creamy, this summertime favorite comes in a rain-bow of flavors. Indulge yourself with this cool treat!



STRAWBERRY SHORTCAKE: Angel food cake as light as air is smothered with fresh strawberries and whipped cream, served in an edible chocolate bowl.

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Festival Food & Drink

Use this list with the Festival Map to locate and enjoy your favorite foods. The following thirst quenching beverages are located throughout the Village: Soda, Lemonade, Iced Tea, Fruit Juice, Beer, Wine, Draft Cider, Coffee, Milk, Hot Chocolate, Sparkling Water, Apple Cider, Spring Water. **Bold-faced items are featured taste treats at the Festival this year.**

Folkestone Welly

Capuccinos, Espresso & Coffee
 Florentine Ice
 Peanuts in the Shell
Chicken Croissant Sandwich • Chicken
 Royale & Chicken ala Queen
 The Prince's Bratwurst • Knave Sandwich
 Sausage on a Stick • Squire Dog
 Fajitas (Beef, Chicken) • **Jalapeno Poppers**
Pepperoni Spring Rolls • **Chili Rellanos**
 Beer Battered Onion Rings
Herb Roasted Chicken Wings
 Prime Rib Sandwich • **Grilled Vegetables**
 Hearty Soup in a Bowl • **Chili**
 Spring Water • Lemonade • Iced Tea
 Soda • Beer • Wine
 Iced Cream Sundae • **Frothy Fruit**
Drink • Fruit Drink Smoothies
 Hot Buttered Corn • Grilled Pork Chops
 Turkey Drumsticks • Harvest Kabob
 Ye Olde Traveller's Cart
Blackened Chicken Sandwich

Shepherd's Green

Skewer of Chicken Wings
 Florentine Ice
 Beer Battered Onion Rings
 Fish and Chips • Shrimp and Chips
 Fresh Catch Seafood Pockets
 King Henry's Salted Nut Rolls
 Ye Olde Traveller's Cart
 Pickles
 The Maiden's Fresh & Caramel Apples
Blackened Fish Sandwich

Narrow Market

King Henry's Salted Nut Rolls
 Popovers • Hot Chocolate
 Royal Shish-ka-bobs
 Lebanese Pita
 Baked Potatoes
 Schnitzel Fritters • Cheese Curds
Elephant Ears • Funnel Cakes
Pretzels • Cheesecake • Frozen Yogurt
Fresh Tempura Vegetables
 The Friar's Fries • Scotch Eggs
 The Queen's Greens & Bangers
 Italian Pizza • **Meatball Grinder**
 Hearty Soup in a Bread Bowl
 Lemonade • Iced Tea • Sparkling Water
 Soda • Beer • Wine
 Fresh & Caramel Apples
 Ye Olde Traveller's Cart
 Pickles • Aussie Cheese Fries
 Dragonbites • Broccoli & Cheese

Cartwheel Cove

Italian Stuffed Calzone
 Turkey Drumsticks • Harvest Kabobs
 Grilled Pork Chops • Squire Dog
 Hot Buttered Corn on the Cob
 Coffee • Lemonade • Iced Tea
Seville Sandwich • Spanish Fries
 Prime Rib Sandwich • Steak Sandwich,
 Pork Sandwich • Pork & Steak on a Stake
 Florentine Ice • Ice Cream Sandwiches
 Little John's Rootbeer & Rootbeer Floats
 Ice Cream Wizards • Frozen Lemonade
 Maid Marion & Sherwood Forest Sundaes
Blooming Onion • Soda

Market Place

Cheese Crowns & Gourmet Muffins
 Cashews & Toffee
 Bagel Sticks, Beef Jerky & Pepperoni Stix
 Lemonade • Iced Tea • Spring Water
 Focaccia with Pesto
 Ye Olde Traveller's Cart
Turtles on a Stick

Tree-top Round

Fresh Pasta • **Meatball Grinder**
 Sausage & Peppers on Pasta
Chicken Broccoli Alfredo
Pasta Primavera
 Spinach Pie & Scones
 Clam Chowder in a Bread Bowl
Blackened Shrimp Caesar Salad
 Fish & Chips • Shrimp • Chips
 Fresh Catch Seafood Pocket
 Iced Cream Sundae • Sandwiches
 Specialty Hard Ice Cream
 Galleon Sandwiches
 Florentine Ice
Elephant Ears • Funnel Cakes
 King Henry's Salted Nut Rolls
 Soup in a Bread Bowl
 Royal Baked Potatoes
 Baron of Beef Prime Rib
 Chicken on a Stick • Chips & Cheese
 Chicken & Chips
Bavarian Roasted Nuts
 Apple Dumplings & Sweets
 Soda • Beer • Wine
Grilled Vegetables
 Aussie Cheese Fries

Upton Downs

Frothy Fruit Drink
Fruit Drink Smoothies
 Florentine Ice • Ice Cream Sandwiches
B.B.Q. Pork Ribs • Red Beans & Rice
B.B.Q. Beef Sandwich • Chips & Cheese
 Chicken on a Stick • Chicken & Chips
 Steak Sandwich • Pork Sandwich
 Squire Dog • Little John's Root Beer
 Root Beer Floats • Shaved Ice
 Soup in a Bread Bowl • **Chili**
Blooming Onion • Cappuccino
 • Espresso
 Coffee • **Jalapeno Poppers**
 Strawberries & Cream • Fresh Fruit
 Pocket Pita (Meat, Chicken, and Veggie)
 Queen Natasha's Pies • Peach Cobbler Pie
Chocolate Raspberry Pie • Sticky Buns
Peanut Butter Pie
Chocolate Covered Strawberries
Chocolate Covered Pretzels
Macadamia Nut Cookies
 Mini Chocolate Chip Cookies

Ovenhill Market

Peasant Bread • Cinnamon Rolls
 Trollhouse Fresh Baked Cookies
 Ye Olde Traveller's Shoppe
 Florentine Ice • Fresh Fruit
 Cream Puffs & Omelets
 Hot Buttered Corn on the Cob
 Sausage on a Stick • Grilled Pork Chop
 Squire Dogs • Coffee
 Turkey Drumsticks • Harvest Kabobs
 Fresh Fruit Delites
 Potato Skins • **Mozzarella Stix**
Gyros • Baklava • Greek Salad
 Cheesy Breadsticks • Gourmet Pizza
 The Prince's Bratwurst
 Queen's Apple • Tarts & Cider
 Soup in a Bread Bowl • **Chili**
 Dragon Lollipops • Sir Lancelot's
 Pickles • **Baklava Cart**
 Ye Olde Traveller's Cart
 Soda • Beer • Wine
 Lemonade • Iced Tea • Spring Water
 Dragonbites • **Macadamia Cheese**

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Craft Demonstrations



he Minnesota Renaissance Festival artisans are the finest to be found in any Kingdom. They are eager to share their knowledge and entertain by demonstrating their skills and actively involving all who gather around. Watch, listen and question some of the ancient secrets of these crafts.

Calligraphy: Four times a day, free classes are offered at the Hall of Scribes. Learn the Gothic alphabet or Renaissance doodling. Limited availability.
Hall of Scribes (Shop #1205 - at the Water Wheel)



Perfume Making: Visit the Alchemist and watch perfumes and body care products being hand-made. Visitors are invited to make their own unique scent.
The Alchemist (Shop # 333-334)

Glassblowing: Wonders are created from molten glass. Follow the process from the first red-hot mass until the object "d-art" emerges from the annealing oven.
Ye King's Glass (Shop # 4810)
Sasely's Art (Shop # 1235)
Mini Glass (Shop #442)



Paper-making, Printing, Bookbinding, Marbling and Etching: A wooden lever Gutenberg-style press is used to turn rags into paper through a process employing traditional tools and techniques and skilled hands sew the pages together to form a book. A demonstration of etching and marbling completes the series of activities in the Mill.
Wind Rose Mill (Shop # 120 - at the Water Wheel)



Engraving: A short history lesson of printing, touching on relief prints, intaglio, and engraving. Audience members assist in the authentic process of creating an engraved print.
Cock 'n Dragon (Shop #215-216)

Brass Rubbing: Create your own historical keepsake. Replicas of monumental brasses dating from English Medieval and Renaissance periods are used. Techniques of rubbing are explained and demonstrated.
Brasswood (Shop #744)

Wax Figure Sculpting: A formless mass of molten wax turns into a fantasy creation under the skilled hands of a master craftsman. Make a guess as to what the final end product will be!
Wax Wizard Works (Shop # 206)



Armor Making: Witness weapons and armor from the past. Discover the secrets of donning armor, how to wear it, and how to move it around.
Arms & Armor (Shop # 146-148)

Metal-Casting Workshop: A discussion of basic sculpture, designing, and mold making is followed by the creation of a sand-cast design. Clean-up, antiquing and buffing are also explained. For a small fee, you can create your own Festival Medallion by pressing a "master" form.
K. Dopta Studio (Shop #152-153)

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Dame Ruth Ipsan-Brown Sandcasting #104

Dame Ruth Ipsan-Brown began sandcasting while on a picnic at a sandy beach in Iowa. Since that picnic in the 1950's, she has developed her own style and has been selling sandcastings for the past 25 years.

The abstract designs are created through a simple process beginning with the gathering and sculpting of natural sand from Iowa, Illinois, New Mexico, Utah, Colorado, Massachusetts and other areas. Hydrocal, a plaster cement, is then poured into the sculpture and a hook is added. Once the hydrocal is set, the sandcasting is removed and excess sand is sprayed off. The piece is now ready to hang on the wall.

Lady Ruth and her husband Cliff reside in Iowa and participate in the Minnesota, North Carolina, and Arizona Renaissance Festivals in addition to numerous juried art fairs.



Sir Roger McNear North Wind Leather #1232

Sir Roger began his career while working in a leather shop in Mankato and has been creating leather goods for 27 years. Traditional items such as belts and luggage were created in the beginning. Today, he has broadened his work to include contemporary sculpture.



"The way I touch the natural world and attempt to be a part of that world combines with my affinity for Native American culture and the animals that make up our physical and spiritual world," says McNear. His latest work is illustrative of shamanistic totems and their relationship with the natural world. Achievement and recognition is based on his commitment to provide products that he has truly handmade; therefore, Sir Roger has been a treasured artist of the Minnesota Renaissance Festival for over 10 years.

Presently, Sir Roger owns his own business called North Wind Leather and lives with his wife and 14 year old daughter in east central Minnesota.

Dame Marnee Taylor & Sir Paul Taylor Taylor Jewelry #127

Combining their artistic and technical talents, Sir Paul and Dame Marnee Taylor have been creating detailed pieces of jewelry for the past 20 years. Inspiration for the traditional pieces comes primarily from nature. Daughters Heather (12) and Katie (9) assist in the creation of whimsical designs.

Each piece is drawn without the use of stencils, photography or other reproductive methods. It is then crafted in sterling silver and 14k rose, green, and yellow gold. The couple likes to experiment with new techniques and materials; but the majority of their work is created by engraving, riveting, piercing, stone setting, and acid etching. Their creations include necklaces, pendants, earrings, rings, bracelets, brooches, and occasionally items such as letter openers.



Sir Paul and Dame Marnee have received many awards as well as a great amount of recognition. They participate in juried shows throughout Florida, California, Texas, and Arizona.

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Hand-Blown Glass Masters Enjoy Sharing Their Craft With Festival Patrons

Sir Jon Bush and Sir David Tate Ye King's Glass #A1810

The ancient and elegant art of hand blown glass is something renowned sculptor Jon Bush thoroughly enjoys. Manipulating molten glass with blowpipes and tools while using a traditional blown glass technique is his primary mode of working glass.



Currently, Sir Jon makes his own crucibles and formulates his own glass batches and castables. He also applies his ceramic background to the construction of glass furnaces. His pieces are featured in a number of galleries and giftshops throughout the Southwest. Sir Jon demonstrates his craft for thousands at Renaissance Festivals in Minnesota and Colorado. "The open air studios at the fairs are enjoyable and

the sharing of a seldom seen craft is most rewarding," says Bush.

Sir David Tate has been interested in the art of blowing glass for 13 years and has worked with Jon Bush for the past 7 years.

Elegant vases as well as pitchers with matching tumblers, paperweights, bowls, Christmas ornaments, and hand blown glass fish are available for purchase at the Festival. His most recent accomplishment is the reproduction of turn-of-the-century art glass pieces.

"I like the escape I can achieve by diving into my work and being immersed in it...being intensely focused on pieces I make, makes me forget about everything else I need to do," says Sir. David.



HALL OF MASTERS

The Hall of Masters, located in the structure known as Folkstone Hall, features a showcase of the arts and crafts represented at the Festival. A new exhibit representing three to four types of media is constructed each weekend. The Hall is staffed by helpful, knowledgeable attendants who will be happy to answer questions and direct you to the shop of the creator of any piece that catches your eye. The Festival's "News of the Realm" announces the featured categories each weekend.

THE GALERIE

The Galerie is the home of three extraordinary artisan exhibits. The King's Armor Collection is a unique display of arms and armor handcrafted by artists throughout the country. The Renaissance of Dolls Collection features a variety of dolls costumed in Renaissance garb and uniquely displayed among their own village cottages. The Renaissance Collection represents exceptional work of Festival artisans in all media. Each year, the Festival purchases pieces to add to the Collection. Early acquisitions were chosen on the basis of recommendations from Festival artisans, with final purchase decisions made by the Festival staff.



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Specialty Acts

(NOTE: Some Acts may not be scheduled every weekend)

COMEDY, THEATRE & MAGIC: *The Adventures of Robin Hood* & *Little John* Darin O'Bryan, Don Preston, Dave Runeborg; *Arsene from Paris* Arsene Dupin; *Brother Paul Partly Magician*; *Celestial Circus* John Rupkey; *Chris Ritt - Magician*; *En Garde, Unlimited!* Chess Match & Street Combat; *Feast of Fantasy* Feastmaster Jim Cunningham, Mike Borka as Bill; *Mary Tales* Dawn E. Reed; *Ratcatcher* Carr Hagerman; *Masque Youth Theatre* Sylvia Langworthy, director; *Mephisto, Fire Eater* Fred Lulling; *Mikael the Mime* Mikael Rudolph; *Pageant Wagon* Anderson Livery; *Puke & Snort* Mark Sieve, Joe Kudla; *Royal Falconer* John Karger; *SAK Theatre* Janie Mey; *Shamus the Insultor* Anthony G. Miller; *Smee & Blog* John Doering, Al Olson; *Stagedoor Players* Judy Hackbarth, director; *Magical Entertainer* William Earley; *Theatre of Fools* Lloyd Brandt.

JOUSTING: *New Riders of the Golden Age* Kelly Bailey, director; *Quintain & Ring Jousting* William Walsh, director, Elise Walsh, Jim Bollom Sr., Mike Pumper, Jeremy Pumper, Heather Lowe, Laura Williams; *Squires* James R. Granquist, Sarah Wakal.

JUGGLING, ROPE & STILT WALKING: *Bill the Juggler* Bill Wiard; *Daddy Longlegs* Stiltwalker Jamie Freel; *Dew-Drop Jugglers* Jeff Kasper, Jason Lemay, Mick Lunzer; *The Flaming Idiots* Kenneth K. Hunt, Jon O'Connor, Robert Williams; *Three Guys Named Ed* Kris Anderson, Daniel Schultz, Jamin Schmitt, Lucas Schmitt, Simon Schmitt; *Tuey* Steve Wilson.

Musical Acts

(NOTE: Some Acts may not be scheduled every weekend)

MINSTRELS, MUSICIANS & DANCE: *Allen-a-Dale* Gerald Saetveit; *Ballincheoil Hammered Dulcimers* Robert Almblade, Carolyn Cruso; *Bedlam* Neil Johnston, Paul Regge, John Sjogren, Joseph E. Smith; *Jeff Bertilson*; *Tanya Brody*; *Chris Bucklen*; *Jeff Cahill*; *Cigany* Steven Brust, director, Gretchen Curtner, Wayne Grimmer, Guinevere G. Somsdahl, Tim Wick; *Court Revelers* Lue Vraa & Casey Franklin, directors; *Elizabethan Syngers*; *Feast of Fantasy Bubonic Brass* Bob Hirte, director, Doug Bradley, Greg Michany, Larry Sims, Gary Zielinski; *Randall Ferguson*; *Pat Fischer*; *Thomas Fowler*; *Haymarket Minstrels* Loretta Simonet, Curtis Teague; *Mary Kahmann Harpist*; *Kindred Spirits* Charles & Sherri Leyda; *Lady Kate* Chris Ward; *Lorelei* Carrie Dabelow, *Maypole Dancers* Christina Onusko, director; *Milk Maids* Cynthia Ahlquist, Jill Bigelow, Windy Merrill, Amy Spears; *Annamarie Mittelstadt*; *Minnesota Traditional Morris Dancers*; *Morrigan* Steven Brust, Jay William Koelsch, Mark D. Sterling; *Mark Pilon*; *Rainbows & Unicorns* Dale & Jane Nelson; *Raven* Robert Alexander; *Royal Scottish Country Dance Society*; *Royal Strings* Joneal Richardson, director; *Lojo Russo*; *Gaylorl T. Stauffer*; *Suliman's Circus* Robin Adnan Anders, director, Antonio Albarran, Tiffany Tieche, Sindibad O'Dell, Christina Ouma, Michael Sullivan, Heloisa Hokenson, Ann Morris, Arlys Alford, Susan K. Meir; *Rod Swanson*; *Vagabonds* Randy Everson, Mark Hansen; *Mark Vincent*; *Kevin Webster*; *Yo & Ho Themselves*.



Villagers

NOTABLE PERSONAGES: *Cardinal d'Giacomo* James C. Zappa Jr.; *Celestina* Linda Sparling; *Dibby the Dog Boy* Dane Breimhorst; *Dirty Daisy* Erika Kobett; *Duchess of Diddle* D'Lis A. Schmidt; *Flash Gabriel* Jason Parker; *Gatmaster Louder* William Lauder; *Lord Captain Major Sir Byron Wellesley-Teasbury-Smythe* Vil of Durham Michael Ritchie; *Winston Teasbury*, *Companion to the Major* Christopher Morlock; *Lost Andrew* J.W.H. Ziesmer; *Lord High Sheriff* Bill Lochen; *Marcella* Pat Wick; *Math the Wizard* Walter Napiorkowski; *Mistress McStitcher* Julia Fuller; *Mother Superior* Stephanie Lindorff; *Mush* Scott Livingston; *Nina Vericosa Dancelotta* Lisa Severson; *Princess Pammeallia* Jacquelyn Smith; *Pullio* Gary Parker; *Puph & Phluff* Robert W. Schug, Steven J. Wilson; *Royal Chess* Master David Kuhns; *William Shakespeare* Brian Murphy; *Thomas O'Dison* Tim Wick; *Unicorn* Jill Stanton.



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