# 1990 MINNESOTA RENAISSANCE FESTIVAL 20TH ANNIVERSARY EDITION



# September 22-23, 1990 Masterpiece & Merriment



#### MASTERPIECE & MERRIMENT

This weekend is dedicated to our Festival artisans. Enjoy pomp and pageantry as the King grants awards of merit to Festival artisans and knights the Kingdom's newest Masters. A special anniversary certificate will be awarded to the Festival's 20-year participants. Join us for this beautiful ceremony at the Pavilion, 10:30. Visit the Hall of Masters for a special exhibition of crafts by Masters and this year's Master nominees. Discover the special wheelwright demonstration by visiting artisan, Bob Henderson, at the Lost Art Foundry in Treetop Round.

The Renaissance Fashion Show is at 3:30 in the Pavilion.

Enjoy the favorite drink of royalty-champagne--as J. Bird offers samplings and discussions of sparkling wines at the Royal Vintry.

On Saturday, members of the Winter Carnival Court are honorary Festival guests.

#### WORLD RECORD SMOOCHED SMASHED

Alfie is all puckered out, but still smiling over the new world record of (are you sitting down?) 8,001 men and women kissed in 7 hours last Saturday! He reached the old record in only 3 hours. Congratulations, Alfiel!

From Alfie: A by sincere thank you to all those who made the world regord breaking such a resounding success. I would like to specially thank the crafters near the front gate had all those who came down to the next it is not just not second, black weeking all of us.

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#### WHAT A YEAR!

Did you realize that we haven't had a day of over 30,000 people since 1984? Did you know that in 1984 we had a total attendance of 312,000? With the way things are going and if the weather cooperates, my crystal ball predicts a new attendance record this year.

A request was made for an attendance comparison to 1989. I thought it would be a nice idea, so here it is:

	1989	1990
Day 1	11,400	13,400
Day 2	12,800	12,300
Day 3	11,300	20,100
Day 4	22,300	15,700
Day 5	16,000	20,900
Day 6	24,600	29,800
Day 7	22,500	14,700
Day 8	27,200	23,500
Day 9	8,300	17,700
Day 10	20,100	31,000
Day 11	18,400	23,500
Total	195,000	220,500

Keep your weather forecast fingers crossed folks.

Tim Ruedy General Manager



### PARTICIPANT PARTY

Everyone is welcome to the Participant Party on September 29. Events will begin with the slide show at 7:30 p.m. at the Special Events Pavilion. The awards ceremony will begin at 8:00.

Music, dancing and free food and refreshments will begin at the BLT at 9:00 and continue until 12 midnight.

You must get a wristband at the BLT to be served alcoholic beverages. In order to get a wristband, you must have a valid photo I.D. or a one-day pass dated 9/29/90 AND A VALID DRIVER'S LICENSE. NO EXCEPTIONS. No under age drinking will be tolerated.

We want everyone to have a good time, but please remember that includes good behavior and respect for others and their property.

#### BRITISH ISLES FOOD FESTIVAL

Enjoy the pomp and circumstance of merry old England, and bonny Scotland, as you partake of the British Isles Food Festival. Savor traditional fare:

> Fish and chips Potatoes Crown Bagels Chips and Cheese Popovers Scones & Tea Scotch Eggs

EAU DE WHAT?...1990 may be "The Year of the Skunk" from reports of their obvious presence on site.

Last Sunday morning the front tarp of the Hall of Masters was liberally sprayed. The odor wafted inside as soon as the tarp was removed. To counteract that smell, the Hall staff burned incense and placed a potpouri display immediately inside the doorway (both provided by Doran/Berger #606-607).

The natural oils in the potpourri absorbed some of the skunk's natural oils, and formed an unusual aroma. A patron was much taken with the scent and asked to purchase a bag of the potpourri. Since items in the Hall are not for sale, she was referred to the craft shop. The patron returned later, saving the blend in the shop didn't smell the same and be good to buy the bag in the Hall. At this Shat the stress of the Hall ented; the purchase price was \$4.00, and the person had a \$5.00 bill. When enformed that they had no change at the Hall, the patron to purchase de unable odor!"

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#### SPECIAL HONORS 20 YEARS OF FESTIVAL PARTICIPATION

The following people began participating at the Festival in its first year in 1971. Congratulations in this twentieth year of participation--how much things have changed, yet somehow a little bit stays the same.

#### Huzzah!

Don Betsinger, Parking

Nelson Brown, Artisan, The Royal Caricaturist 412
David Bryce, Curator, Folkestone Museum 525
John Coiner, John Coiner Pottery 729-731
Steve Grassmann, Parking

Reniah Newman, Artisan, Feather Wind 844
Sir Neal Nye, Master of Jewelry, Neal Nye Jewelry 106
Bob Sorenson and Adam Newman, Flowering Feather 438
Ann Streeter, Games



#### RENAISSANCE FESTIVAL BOOK

Patrick Ryan and Tom Hendricks (Peep Show) have collaborated on a new book entitled Renaissance Festivals of North America. Ten of the most popular festivals are featured in the pictorial essay. The book emphasizes the special qualities of each of the ten festivals and features a section on vital statistics, such as location, addresses, phone numbers, attendance.

The cover design and illustrations are by Minnesota Renaissance Festival artist. Bruce Loeschen.

Copies may be picked up from Pat or Tom before cast call or after the cannon. The price to Festival participants and vendors is \$11.00. The book is on display at the Museum and Traveller's Shoppes. The shoppe near the bear will also honor the discount.

Linda Day (Linda Day Pottery 128) has expanded her work to include a syndicated cartoon "Country Pun." Although cows are Linda's specialty, the series will be based on plays with words and animal characters. Linda is dedicating her cartoon series to "the light side of life" and describes her work by saying "It's just meant to be silly." (Sample cartoon above.)



#### Chaska

# Hardees.

Open 24 Hours

Serving breakfast 4-10:30 a.m. 10% discount with Festival I.D.

Coffee & Hot Chocolate Pancake with Bacon \$1.39 10 pm to 4 am Renaissance Festival Ham & Cheese Small fries \$1.79 10 pm to 4 am Renaissance Festival



#### ENTERTAINMENT AWARDS

Nominations for 1990 Entertainment awards are now being accepted. The Entertainment awards are:

Cracked Cup -Late Bloomer -Bottomless Hat -

Everyone's Ham -

to the best new character to the best new character/ most improved veteran to the outstanding new act to the best entertainment

by a non-entertainer

Nominations are due by Sunday cast call. Nominations may be submitted to the area managers (Marilyn Hagerman, Linda Sparling, Jason Parker and Pat Ryan), Cyndy Sunderman, or Gary Parker.

#### ENTERTAINMENT PASSES

Entertainer I.D.'s will be collected next Sunday in exchange for day passes and paychecks. Please bring your I.D. to Cyndy in the Bad Manor Entertainment office according to the schedule below:

Street Characters 9-11 a.m. Acts 12-2 p.m. Groups & Stage Crews 3-5 p.m.

Group and Stage Crew I.D.'s and checks will be handled by group leaders and stage managers.

If you lose your Photo I.D., contact Cyndy immediately. Don't wait until next Sunday!





# En Garde Unlimited!

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Fall Session runs from October 6 - December 16.
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Beginners are welcome.

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Also, come see "The Combat Chess Match".
"The Wedding", "Robin Hood", and much more Check the News of the Realm for details.

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#### TALENT SHOW

The annual Talent Show will be held (if there is enough talent) on Saturday, Sept. 22 at 8 pm in the Special Events Pavilion. If you wish to participate, contact Brian Murphy (Dah at Irish Cottage.)

#### GAME AND RIDE OPERATORS

All photo I.D.'s must be turned in to the Games Managers (Jon Oakvik and Myk Fischer) at Blue Lion Tavern when the final cannon of the season goes off. You will be given a day pass in exchange, so everyone can dismantle their games without security problems.

Don't forget--fees are due October 15, 1990.

#### GROUP LEADERS AND STAGE MANAGERS

If you have any changes within your group's budget line, those changes are due by closing cannon on Sunday. Please turn them in to Cyndy. No changes can be made after Sunday.

## PROMOTIONS

#### FINAL PROMOTION FOR 1990

Once again and final promotion will feature to less of the Festival. If you are tree to lend a hand, stop by Pears Plaza, Thursday, Sept. 27, between 11:00 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.

#### SPECIAL THANKS ...

to all those who participated in promos and parades over the summer. Thank you for giving your time and talents to the Festival promotion. You did a super job!

#### CONSTANT PROBLEMS

It seems as if the following are items concerning entertainers that remain a constant source of complaints, observations and notes.

- Acts running too long.
- V Entertainers clustering together and only talking to each other instead of patrons.
- √ Street characters "disappearing."
- Characters standing on trash frames and in trees.
- √ Entertainers out of costume on village streets.
- Too many insults and not enough positive interaction with patrons.

Please concentrate on being on time, being safe, being in costume and being nice.

#### A ROMANTIC SERENADE

Gaylord Stauffer, the harpist, was playing his harp under a tree last weekend when he was approached by a patron. The patron gave him a \$10.00 tip and asked him to play something romantic. Gaylord played "Taco Bell" (the Pachebel Canon) and a young man proposed to his lady friend.



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#### 1991 CRAFT SPACE DEPOSIT REMINDER

As stated in the letter sent to licensees last week, you are required to make a deposit to reserve your craft space for next year, whether the space you occupy is a shop, tent, or unstructured space. Deposits will be accepted at Gate B this weekend and closing weekend.

We will also be accepting prepayment of your 1991 fee which offers a discount.

Please see Lois at Gate B if you have any questions, or call her at the office during the week.

#### TAX TIME!

Renee Bernier of the Minnesota Department of Revenue will be stationed at a table in the Gate B area on Sunday, Sept. 30th. If you are an out-of-state resident, Renee will expect to see you between 8:00 a.m. and late afternoon.

If you have sales tax questions, this is the place to bring them.

#### INSURANCE

Bill Velin, Professional Insurance Agency, will be available to meet individually with crafters about their insurance needs on Saturday, Sept. 23, from 6:00 pm to 8 pm. You can make an appointment by contacting Gate B.

#### CRAFT STAFF

Lois can usually be contacted at Gate B or a message can be left there for her. The Lady Linne's office hour is from 9:30 am to 10:30 am each day at the Hall of Masters. At other time, please leave messages for Lady Linne at Gate B or at the Hall.

If it is difficult for you to get out of your shop, just send a message via your monitor and either Lois or Linne will be happy to visit you in your shop.

#### HALL OF MASTERS

As a part of the Crafts Special Events Weekend, the Hall will feature an exhibit of the current Masters and the Nominees for the status of Master or Artisan in the Masters Program. The Nominees were listed in last weekend's Wren Press. A show of this type has not been done before and will offer an excellent showcase for all to see. This show should be one of the best all season!

Next week the Hall will feature an exhibit of the work of the current Masters and Artisans as a special part of participation in the Masters Program.

Mistress of the Hall: Nicolette Hernke Assistant: Connie Duckworth Installation Technicians: Sandi Gerdes, DeDe Wolf





#### HONORS CEREMONY

Outside the Special Events Pavilion (north end) at 10:30 am both Saturday and Sunday, there will be a special awards ceremony. A Royal Proclamation honoring Artisans, the Knighting of the new Masters, and a Royal Proclamation honoring 20th year participants will be presented. The Royal Court, the Mayor's Entourage, Clan Tartan, the Royal Guard and Trumpeters will assist the King and Queen in honoring their most worthy and loyal subjects.

### GUEST DEMONSTRATOR

Bob Henderson, Wheelwright, will be visiting the Festival from Arkansaw, Wisconsin, and demonstrating his work. He will offer information about the history and development of wheel-making, and have workin-progress on display. In addition to fitting iron shoes on wheels, he will be heating a full tire iron and fitting it over a wooden spoked wheel he has made - this part of his demo should be quite spectacular since the tire iron is visibly smaller than the wheel! Thanks to host Chuck McGriff, you can find him at the Lost Art Foundry 215-216.

#### CRAFT KUDOS

Jane and Michael Thompson (Underglass, Marco Polo Marketplace P-43) have been invited to participate in the National Audubon Society's annual Holiday Fair in Chevy Chase, Maryland. The Fair is held on the grounds of the Audubon Mansion in November. Their work will also be featured in the Museum's gift shop.

Liz and Rich Robertson (The King's Chambers 108-109) report that the Duluth Museum of Art re-opened August 31 after the completion of the first phase of remodeling. Rich has been serving as the Executive Director of the Museum since 1988. The first phase of remodeling included re-opening the large rooms on the first floor, uncovering and refinishing hardwood floors, new track lighting, gallery fabric on the walls, and new bathrooms in the basement. The second phase will include a new boiler and heating and cooling system. The building is one of three surviving examples of Egyptian Revival Architecture in the nation and as such is a national landmark.

A reception honoring all those that have contributed to the \$460,000 capital campaign was held Friday, August 31. At the reception it was announced that the Board of Directors will name the pottery in the Museum the "Rich and Liz Robertson Memorial Pottery." Since it is through Liz's efforts in managing their family business that Rich has been able to participate in the project, Liz received the highest "Key Award."

Janel Jacobson recently was awarded the Juror's Choice award in a show at the Phipps Center for the Arts in Hudson, Wisconsin. "Landmarks: Common Ground" is a shared exhibition of ancient Japanese bonsai and contemporary regional art. The objective of this juried exhibit is to provide a forum for artwork of all media celebrating the natural world in a reverent aesthetic. Show dates are September 7 - October 1, 1990.

Mpls JSt. Paul Magazine is featuring a neckpiece by David J. Barry Ristow (of Art Jewelry) in their October 1990 issue "Win-

# SHOPS FOR SALE

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#### Booth #633

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> See the blacksmith Bruce Northridge

ners" column. The Barry-Ristows are partners in an artist collective, Studio 10 at Bandana Square. Other Renaissance Festival connected partners are Michael and Laura Bond, Joan Grey, the Gustafsons and Chris Hong Children



#### COSTUME DICTIONARY

Harlot - a term used in the fourteenth century to describe men's hose when the two legs joined to become tights.

Mahoitres - high, standing, padded shoulder puffs of sleeves worn in the sixteenth century. (see photo - right)

Mandilion or tabard - a kind of dalmatic worn by common folk in inclement weather, 12th to 16th centuries. A hip-length garment with hanging, open sleeves, it was put on over the head. They were worn by heralds, soldiers and knights. In the 16th and 17th centuries it became a piece of livery and also a short cape-like cloak worn by the Puritans.



Orle - a heraldic term for a wreath or torso of two colors of silk twisted together, representing the principal metal and color of the wearer's crest, worn around the knight's helmet or as a feminine headdress in the 14th and 15th centuries. (see photo - left)

Paltock - a jacket worn by pages in the 14th and 15th centuries. A short, fitted doublet of cloth or silk buttoned, or laced like a waistcoat to which hosen, or stockings and codpiece were fastened by lacings. (see photo - left)

Pedule - a rawhide boot of northern Medieval Europe. Sometimes boots and breeches were made into one.



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#### COSTUME SHOP SCHEDULE FOR RETURNS: SEPTEMBER 30 - OCTOBER 9

Each festival night - 8 p.m., Closing night - 9 p.m.

Monday 11:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. Tuesday 11:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. Wednesday 11:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. Thursday 11:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

If these times are not convenient, please call Alicia at to make other arrangements.

Your I.D. Card must be turned in with your costume, Please pin your I.D. Card to your costume and put your costume in a bag with your name on the outside of the bag. (Pins & bags will be available at the Costume Shop.) Costumes and I.D.'s may also be mailed in. Costumes and I.D. Cards must be checked in within 1 week from the close of the Pestival. After October 9th, there will be a late return fee of \$5.00. If you lose your I.D. Card, there will be a fee of \$5.00. Final paychecks will be held until your costume and I.D, are returned, and all paperwork in your file is complete.

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#### SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

For those of you who were afraid to ask (or hadn't noticed)...

Yes, Costumer Alicia Wold is pregnant. The baby is due December 5th. Look for the latest addition to be the youngest A Victorian Christmas cast member.



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	Andrew Williams	500	Mark Elliott	704	Linda Hosek
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	Kimber Nelson	529	Jason Dahlquist	714	Deb Kos
	Allan Manning	529	Tracy Morgan	713	JoAnn Estes
	Colette Kartheiser		Jessica Peterson	710	Warren Webb
		530	Carrie Hase	710	Courtney Estes
	100 Area	531	Ray Current	710	Candy Wilson
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	Carolyn Walske	535	Chris Carney		Adam Meyer
	Stephanie Ryks			713	John Holt
		535	Kim Marteness		
	Laura Leitz	1536	Carrie Amick		800 Area
	Tina Conklin	539	Becky Wilkens	800	Joe Prokott
	Mary Lealos	539	Pat Current	800	Chris Herrmann
	Jill Guillame	539	Kris Trumble	800	Dan Fahev
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200	Scott Illig	615			Theresa Schuette
			Regina Egan		Vicki Wright
200	Scott Gaulke	616	Heather Nolte	836	Andrea Robertson
200	Shane Kocks	617	Pete Anderson	836	Zac Larson
200	Jon Wongdock	62001	David Anderson	83601	Angie Smith

CHECK IN Bernice Strong

Kari Storms

ON CALL Sue Bartholomew

700 Area



300 Area

354 Vergene Kruse 354 Brent Berheim

Pat Schmidt

Greg Hansen

Mike Deiman

Daryl Jaschen

Carrie Haack

Renae Hoff

Kent Olson

**Boy Scouts** 

Deb Douglas

Michael Steger

Brook Blomquist

Marilyn Rosenberg

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355 Kathy Barlage 355 Keith Bakken

355 Phillip Terry 356 Stephanie Summers

361 Tammy Heitz 363 Tony Amiot

363 Dawn Parizck 363 Kristie Hiort

364 Janine Davis 364

Jeani Behr

FOOD BOOKS...

Are available to any participant with a properly validated pass. They can be purchased only on show days and are a \$6,00 value for \$5.00. These coupons will be accepted at all food booths on site. They are not valid at wine and beer booths. Food books may be purchased at:

Gate C 6:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Gate B 1:30 p.m.-7:00 p.m.

LIMIT OF ONE BOOK PER DAY PER VALIDATED PASS

## PARTICIPANT DINNER

Where: across from BLT in

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Hours: approx. 8-10:30 p.m. Cost: \$4 per participant

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#### BACKGATE

Open Friday 7:00 a.m. to Monday 2:00 a.m. (Security Guard on duty)

#### INNER GATES

A-Gate & B-Gate
Open 7:00 a.m. to 10:30 p.m.
C-Gate
Open 7:00 a.m. to Midnight

#### SITE HOURS ON SHOW DAYS (Continued)

Gate Guards will be on site to check for I.D.'s until 7:30 p.m. C-Gate will have a guard until 7:45 p.m. All persons in vehicles will be checked for

cles will be checked for LD.'s at Hwy 41 and Chestnut gate in the evenings. All persons without LD.'s will have to leave the vehicle until proper identification is presented.

# WEEKDAYS

Monday thru Thursday Open 7:00 a.m.-10:30 p.m.

## MOMENT OF THE WEEK

Artemis, a helper for Will Jones' shop 329, was showing a customer a pewter goblet. The customer asked if there wasn't anything cheaper. Artemis responded by holding a mirror up to the customer's face! The next questions was "Do you have anything more expensive?" Of course they did! The customer (who turned out to be a Twins second baseman) bought two and signed a ton of autographs.

