

VISITING ARTISTES

APU: Take their name from the "Sacred Valley" in the Cusco region of Peru. The three Puente de la Vega brothers formed *APU* in 1983 and were joined by their friends from the Cusco music college. All have played their uniquely traditional "Music of the Sacred Valley" since childhood. One reviewer enthused that audiences could breakdance to the pan-pipes when they play. Their current album *"Dancing with the Inca's"* provides the music for the television documentary of the same name.

Rory McLeod: A singer songwriter poet and storyteller who hails from England. Rory has played harmonica, slide guitar and a variety of instruments with musicians in Africa, America, Australia, Britain and Ireland - so his material has influences from around the world. He was the Texas Harmonica Champion in 1981 and has also won Edinburgh's basket of the year competition in 1985.

Martin O'Connor and Chatterbox: Martin O'Connor is one of Ireland's top accordion and squeeze box players. He won the First Allied Irish Banks Traditional musician of the year award in 1995. The Chatterbox band is made up of Garry O'Brian on mandolin, guitar and keyboards, Martin Murray on banjo, mandolin, and fiddle, Jimmy Faulkner on guitar and Dave Prim on bass. They bring a fresh and adventurous approach to Traditional, European and Classical music. The Martin O'Connor-Chatterbox album was released to critical acclaim.

Hilary James and Simon Mayor: Hilary had her own album *"Burning Sun"* released to rave reviews, she writes and sings a lot of her own material which covers Traditional and Classical music. She has a beautiful voice and plays acoustic and bass guitar. Simon is a superb mandolin player as well as a master on mandolin, mandocello, guitar, fiddle and whistle. He also writes his own material, covering everything from Traditional to Classical and Celtic music. This English duo should also be popular with our younger audiences, having released an album of children's songs.

Legs Bisto: A four piece band hailing from Leeds have developed their own particular brand of rampant folk - a mix of Cajun, rock, country and blues which makes them an irresistibly toe tapping live attraction. They are Simon Bradley on acoustic guitar, mandolin and vocals, Phil Moody on accordion, percussion and vocals, Karl Hulka drums and vocals and Sally Bradley on bass. Definitely a dance night!

ARTISTES

The Moonshiners: A four piece bluegrass band from Scotland comprising Phil Sukerski - one of Scotland's finest banjo and mandolin players, Alasdair Kennedy on mandolin and fiddle, Singer Songwriter Ian Marrs on guitar and the infamous Jimmy Moon on double bass, have gained a reputation for their lively performances. They play traditional and modern bluegrass mixed with innovative times, including original compositions. Their set includes a broad spectrum of ballads, driving instrumentals and songs.

Daily Planet: A four piece band combining a variety of musical styles and influences from Celtic to hip-hop, with a basic bluegrass arrangement. The band consists of Dominic Harrison on double bass, guitar and vocals, Jason Tittle on guitar and vocals, Leon Hunt on Banjo, Jamie Matthews on harmonica and hand percussion and joining them is Matt Finner who is a former U.S. National Mandolin Champion. They have amassed quite a following since they have been together and have been nominated for the British Country Music Awards.

Sonido Latino: The idea for this band was created by South Americans living in Aberdeen. They incorporate the infectious vibes of Salsa and Lambada, which will have you dancing your socks off. They played the Aberdeen Alternative Festival in 1995. Members of the band had from Chile, Dominican Republic, Morocco, Ireland and Scotland! Guaranteed to raise the roof.

Footworks: Unique on the international stage, their modern choreographed arrangements of traditional and percussive dance are unmatched for variety, energy and sheer good entertainment value. Some of you will recognise members of the group from their last visit to Shetland when they were called *The Fiddle Poppers*. This year Footworks are joining *"Riverdance"* for its London dates and Broadway opening.

Eat The Donkey: An Inverness based band giving their own interpretations to Traditional and Contemporary music.

Danu: A four piece band who play Traditional Irish music are appearing for the first time at this year's festival. In 1995 they played at the Orient music festival.

Quattro: Hailing from Wexford in Southern Ireland, Quattro will be playing their own blend of traditional Irish music.

Graham Townsend: No stranger to Shetland audiences Graham is one of Canada's best known fiddlers and he's celebrating 20 memorable years in the music business. On this trip he will be accompanied by his wife Eleanor and son Graham on their first visit to Shetland. Graham and Eleanor are North America's only Championship Fiddle Team.

Old Rope String Band: Making a welcome return visit with their own brand of music and madness. From Newcastle this three piece band are Pete Chalfour on fiddle and banjo, Joe Scutfield on fiddle and Tim Dalling on accordion and tuba/banjo. Their act is hard to categorise - they are accomplished musicians who incorporate a touch of humour with aerobic skills - which leave their audiences in hysterics.

V. Polson's Kapel: A two piece band from Denmark who play traditional Swedish and Danish music. Jes Knoman and Soren Lydom make up this duo and both have played to appreciative audiences at previous festivals.

The Grand Theatre Of Lemmings: The most outrageously funny double act of the year is how they have been described. David and Danzig have entertained audiences around the world for the past ten years. Real stunts mixed with comedy and magic are the ingredients to a hilarious show.

Dirk Powell, Christine Balfa And Jock Tydesley: Christine Balfa and her band Dirk Powell, two members of the world famous *Balfa Tanguos* join forces with Jock Tydesley to give a taste of some real Cajun music. Christine sings and plays guitar, Dirk, winner of the 1994 Molate's Annual Accordion contest, plays accordion and fiddle and Jock, no stranger to the Shetland Folk Festival, is probably the best Cajun fiddle player in Europe.

THIS YEAR'S MC'S are Peter Lynch, Rory McLeod, The Old Rope String Band, V. Polson's Kapel and The Grand Theatre of Lemmings.

LOCAL ARTISTES this year include: Sheila's Band, Fred's Band, Shetland Folkdance, Hom Bru, Drop the Box, Shobils, The Red Vans, Leonard Scollay & Amanda Hawick, Sheep Dip, Hubbelsku, May & Mackie, Bryan Gear, Strings & Things, Shetland Fiddlers, Shetland's Young Heritage, Fiddlers' Bid, Filiska, Volunteers, Leonard Scollay, The Shining Pool, The Cullivoe Dance Band, Colin & Alan's Dance Band, Graham Edvardson Dance Band, Northmaxine Fiddle & Accordion Club, The Black Rose Ceilidh Band and The Lerwick Pipe Band.

TICKET PRICES

	Adults	Students, Senior Citizens, Children & U16's
Members		
Concert	£5.00	£3.00
Festival Club Concert	£5.00	£3.00
Concert and Dance	16.00	£4.00
Fiddle Feser Concert	£7.00	£4.00
Family Concert	£4.00	£4.00
The Chicken Concert	18.00	£4.00
Sunday Afternoon	£5.00	£3.00
Festival Eve	19.00	£4.00
Non-Members		
Concert	18.00	£4.00
Concert and Dance	19.00	£5.00
Fiddle Feser Concert	£10.00	£5.00
Family Concert	£5.00	£5.00
The Chicken Concert	£14.00	£5.00
Sunday Afternoon	£7.00	£4.00
Festival Eve	£17.00	£6.00

Tickets are available from the Festival Shop and local shops. Access and Visa are accepted at the Festival Shop.

Note: Tickets are non-transferable and non-refundable.

FESTIVAL MEMBERSHIP

Available from the Festival Shop or by post.

Family (2 adults & 2 children under 16)	£20.00
Adult	£10.00
Child (under 16)	£5.00

RAFFLE & MERCHANDISE

The main raffle prize is a £1,000 Holiday Voucher, other big prizes this year include a handmade traditional Shetland chair and a Aiwa video recorder. Tickets on sale at all venues, Festival Shop and local shops. Merchandise including T-shirts, baseball caps, badges and plectrums are also available at the Festival Shop and most concerts.

CRAFT FAIR

This year's Festival Craft Fair is open to festival members and non-members alike and will take place between Friday 5th and Sunday 7th April in Islesburgh House from 11.30am to 5pm.

All information was correct at the time of going to press. The Shetland Folk Festival Society reserves the right to alter times and artistes as conditions and circumstances demand.

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The Society wish to acknowledge the Grant assistance received from the lottery fund towards the purchase of computer equipment.

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4TH TO 7TH APRIL 1996

FESTIVAL PROGRAMME

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The Festival shop is open:

From 14th March to 2nd April

at 5 Burns Lane, Lerwick on the following days:

Tuesdays & Thursdays	6pm - 8pm
Saturdays	11am - 3pm

and from 4th April to 7th April

at the Festival Club, Islesburgh 11am-4pm

Thursday, 4th April

OFFICIAL OPENING 1.00pm
by Mr Peter Guy at
FESTIVAL CLUB
First chance to see the visiting artistes.
Lerwick Pipe Band playing from 12.30 - 1.00pm.

Concert at
FESTIVAL CLUB 7.30pm
Mairtin O'Connor and Chatterbox (Doors open 7.00pm)
Sonido Latino
Eat The Donkey
Shetland Folkdance
The Red Vans
Leonard Scollay and Amanda Hawick
Peter Lynch

Concert at
AITH HALL 7.30pm
Footworks (Doors open 7.00pm)
Legs Bisto
Danu
Dirk Powell, Christine Balfa and Jock Tyldesley
Sheila's Band
Fred's Band
The Grand Theatre Of Lemmings

Concert at
FRASER PETERSON CENTRE 7.30pm
APU (Doors open 7.00pm)
Daily Planet
Hilary James and Simon Mayor
Quattro
Hom Bru
Sheep Dip
V. Polson's Kapel

Concert at
SHETLAND HOTEL 7.30pm
Graham Townsend (Doors open 7.00pm)
Moonshiners
The Old Rope String Band
Shobils
Volunteers
Rory McLeod

Friday, 5th April

PLAYGROUP CONCERT 11.00am to 12noon
at **FESTIVAL CLUB**
Hilary James and Simon Mayor
Rory McLeod
The Grand Theatre Of Lemmings

Concert and Dance at
CUNNINGSBURGH HALL 7.30pm
Footworks (Doors open 7.00pm)
Sonido Latino
Eat The Donkey
Fred's Band
May and Mackie
Rory McLeod
Dance to: The Cullivoe Dance Band

Concert at
FESTIVAL CLUB 7.30pm
Legs Bisto (Doors open 7.00pm)
Daily Planet
Hilary James and Simon Mayor
Drop The Box
Shobils
Northmavine Fiddle and Accordion Club
The Grand Theatre Of Lemmings

Concert and Dance at
FETLAR HALL 7.30pm
APU (Doors open 7.00pm)
Danu
Fiddlers' Bid
Sheep Dip
The Old Rope String Band
Dance to: Graham Edmondson's Dance Band

Fiddle Fever Concert at
CLICKIMIN CENTRE 7.30pm
Graham Townsend (Doors open 7.00pm)
Quattro
Dirk Powell, Christine Balfa and Jock Tyldesley
Bryan Gear
Strings and Things
Shetland Fiddlers
Shetland's Young Heritage
Filiska
V. Polson's Kapel

Concert and Dance at
VOE HALL 7.30pm
Mairtin O'Connor and Chatterbox (Doors open 7.00pm)
Graham Townsend
Moonshiners
Hom Bru
Hubbelsku
Peter Lynch
Dance to: The Black Rose Ceilidh Band

Saturday, 6th April

WORKSHOPS
Pan Pipes 11.00am
Mandolin 12.00am
Fiddle 1.00pm

CLICKIMIN CONCERT 7.30pm
(Doors open 7.00pm)
Footworks
Mairtin O'Connor and Chatterbox
APU
Sonido Latino
Drop The Box
The Red Vans
Hubbelsku
Rory McLeod

Concert and Dance at
CULLIVOE HALL, VELL 7.30pm
Graham Townsend (Doors open 7.00pm)
Daily Planet
Quattro
Filiska
The Shining Pool
Peter Lynch
Dance to: The Black Rose Ceilidh Band

Concert at
FESTIVAL CLUB 7.30pm
The Old Rope String Band (Doors open 7.00pm)
Dirk Powell, Christine Balfa and Jock Tyldesley
Sheila's Band
Drop The Box
Shetland Fiddlers

Concert and Dance at
WHALSAY HALL 7.30pm
Legs Bisto (Doors open 7.00pm)
Moonshiners
Leonard Scollay and Amanda Hawick
Strings and Things
Volunteers
V. Polson's Kapel
Dance to: Colin and Alan's Dance Band

Concert and Dance at
WHITENESS AND WEISDALE HALL 7.30pm
Eat The Donkey (Doors open 7.00pm)
Danu
Hilary James and Simon Mayor
May and Mackie
Shetland's Young Heritage
The Grand Theatre Of Lemmings
Dance to: Graham Edmondson's Dance Band

Sunday, 7th April

WORKSHOP 1.00pm
Dance with Footworks and Shetland Folkdance

FAMILY CONCERT at 2.00pm to 4.00pm
GARRISON THEATRE
APU (Doors open 1.30pm)
Sonido Latino
Daily Planet
Hilary James and Simon Mayor
The Old Rope String Band
The Grand Theatre Of Lemmings

SHETLAND HOTEL 2.00pm to 4.00pm
Mairtin O'Connor and Chatterbox (Doors open 1.30pm)
Graham Townsend
Legs Bisto
Moonshiners
Danu
Rory McLeod

FESTIVAL FOYS 7.00pm
First chance to see the visiting artistes (Doors open 6.30pm) at:
CLICKIMIN CENTRE
ISLESBURGH COMMUNITY CENTRE
SHETLAND HOTEL

FESTIVAL CLUB

Islesburgh Community Centre
King Harald Street, Lerwick

ENTRY BY MEMBERSHIP ONLY
THERE IS NO CHARGE FOR ENTRY

Thursday and Friday
11am - 3am (upstairs)
5pm - 3am (downstairs)

Saturday 11am - 3am (both floors)

Sunday 11am - 4pm (both floors)

Club Closes 4pm Sunday

Note: Entry to the club is restricted to 1996 members. Proof of membership required.

Bar & light meals available



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