Jim Gold International Folk Dance & Cultural Tours



Norway!

Folk Dancing, Folk Music, Art, History, Culture, Adventure!



June 7-17, 2014 Oslo, Bergen, Hovin (Telemark), Fjord Cruise, Flåm Railway



Led by Lee Otterholt

Folk dance weekend in Sandefjord, Norway with Lee Otterholt: June 6-8

- ★ Dramatic fjords, incredible vistas, local farm visit, fjord cruises, dance classes, historic cities, folkloric villages!
- ★ Learn authentic Norwegian folk dancing from the masters!
- ★ Pre-extension folk dance weekend in scenic Sandefjord!
- ★ Price includes city tours, hotels, breakfasts, four dinners, and a private deluxe motorcoach. Tour limited to 12.

ITINERARY

- Day 1: Saturday, June 7: Fly to Oslo on airline of your choice.
- **Day 2: Sunday, June 8:** Arrive at **Oslo Airport (OSL**). Take "Flybussen" or train to downtown Oslo. Lee will meet you in our hotel lobby at 6:00 p.m. Short walking tour of Oslo and welcome dinner. Overnight at **Thon Hotel Oslo Panorama** (Rådhusgaten 7b, 0151 Oslo)
- Day 3: Monday, June 9: Morning sightseeing of Oslo includes Vigeland Sculpture Park, Holmenkollen Ski Jump, and the Royal Palace. Drive to Drøbak where Lee lived before moving to the USA. Guided tour. Evening dancing in Drøbak.
- Day 4: Tuesday, June 10: Depart Oslo. Drive through scenic Telemark past mountains, farmlands and stave churches. Arrive at Karin Brennesvik's house and dance center in Hovin. Dance instruction, walking tours, visits to local folk artists. Lunch, dinner and overnight in dance center
- **Day 5: Wednesday, June 11:** Meet local folk artists and dance with local dance experts. More local excursions. Breakfast, lunch and dinner included.
- **Day 6: Thursday, June 12:** Leave Hovin and drive over snowy mountains to Rauland folkemusikkakademi. Dance in the evening to live Hardingfele music. Dinner included.

- **Day 7: Friday, June 13:** Leave Rauland **Breathtaking ferry ride across Hardanger Fjord.** Continue past gorges, rivers, and waterfalls. Arrive and register at the Hotel Bergen Brygge. Possibly meet and dance with local dancers (or local sightseeing or shopping.)
- Day 8: Saturday, June 14: Sightseeing tour of Bergen including Hanseatic warehouses, and Viking Hall. Visit Troldhaugen, home of composer Edvard Grieg.
- Day 9: Sunday, June 15: Fjord cruise to Vik. A photographer's dream! Visit dramatic "Eagles' Nest" hotel. Stay in idyllic Flåm.
- **Day 10: Monday, June 16:** Spectacular Flåm railway trip, Incredible views of gorges, rivers, and waterfalls! Continue by train over mountains through spectacular landscape to overnight at Tyrifjorden Hotel in Vikersund. Eat, drink, and celebrate Midsummer in traditional fashion with a huge bonfire at Lee's wife's family cottage on Tyrifjorden.
- **Day 11:Tuesday, June 17:** Back to USA. Drive to Oslo Airport (OSL) for tear-filled farewell. (Book a flight leaving in the afternoon, if possible.)



About Lee Otterholt:

Lee Otterholt, born in the USA of Norwegian-American parents, has lived and worked most of his life in Norway as a professional dancer, teacher, and choreographer. He founded the Center for International Folk Dance in Oslo; he was also professor of dance folklore at the Norwegian National College of Ballet, and University College of Oslo. Lee established folk dance and performing groups in Norway, taught at festivals and workshops throughout Europe, United States, and East Asia, and is the author of folk dance and instructional manuals used in Norwegian schools. Lee was one of the choreographers for the Opening Ceremony of the Winter Olympic Games in Lillehammer.

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Land Only: \$3295

REGISTRATION I can't wait to go! Enclosed is my registration deposit of \$200 per person. Single supplement: \$695. Hotel taxes and service charges: \$85. Sandefjord pre-extension includes transfers, accommodations, all meals, and weekend dance course. \$410 per person double occupancy or \$510 in a single room. **Gratuities not included**. Program subject to change without notice. Cancellations 30 to 45 days prior to departure: Refund 50% of total price. Cancellations less than 30 days: No refund. Travel insurance recommended.. **Total balance due April 1, 2014**.

Sandefjord pre-extension: YesNo				
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