

MAGGIE GALLAGHER TO JAPAN



11th Tokyo Crazy Country Dance Festival

2009 May 29 (Fri) Omori Bellport Atrium (Tokyo/Omori)

May 30 (Sat) – 31 (Sun) Ikegami Kaikan Hall (Tokyo/Ohta)

Organized by Crazy Feet Tokyo

Annual Tokyo Crazy Country Dance Festival is one of the biggest country dance events in Japan inviting fun and great instructors/choreographers from foreign countries as well as in Japan. This year, Maggie Gallagher!!!



And, Yukiko Ohashi from Tensing, China, having long dancing/teaching/competing experience. Not only line dancing but couples dancing she loves. Pro-Am Overall Champion at WORLDS 2009.

The first day will be dedicated for beginner dancers!



MAGGIE GALLAGHER (from biography in her web site : <http://www.maggieg.co.uk/>)

Maggie started Irish dancing at the age of four and she travelled the world for many years competing in championships. She toured Europe as part of Marion Turley's world renowned troupe of dancers, dancing alongside Colin Dunne, who went on to be the male lead in River Dance, and Jean Butler, the female lead in the show.

Maggie has seen a large number of her own choreographed line dances hit the "Line Dance Charts", with dances "Just a Memory", "Hot Love" and "Na Mara" all huge smash hits, still filling the floor at most socials in the UK and abroad. Her mammoth, award winning 2001 dance "Mony Mony" was the first ever line dance to enter the charts at No 1.

Maggie travels the world extensively hosting workshops and she was honored to teach a couple of years ago in Texas at the World Line Dancing Championships and at the Tarheel Festival in USA in September of the year before last.

Through the organization of Scott Blevins and Carol Waite, Maggie also completed an Irish Dance Display at the Country and Western Chicagoland event.

Subsequent trips across Europe, Japan, Singapore, Malaysia and Australia have confirmed Maggie's firm foothold in Linedance across the Globe.

Maggie was honored with being voted by Linedancer Magazine readers "Female Linedance Personality of the Year" 1999, 2000 and 2001 and was totally thrilled to also collect "Crystal Boots" for "Beginner Dance Of The Year" (Just A Memory), "Choreographer Of The Year", "Overall Dance Of The Year" (Mony Mony), and also "Instructor Of The Year" in 2002. An amazing 5 Crystal Boots!

The 2003 Awards, once again, saw Maggie win "Personality" plus "Choreographer" and "Female Instructor" of the year and repeated that success at the 2004 awards with another three "Crystal Boots" for "Personality" "Choreographer" and "Instructor".

Time & Place

May 29 (Fri) 13:00-21:30 (12:00:Registration with open dancing musics)

Omori Bellport Atrium 6-26-1 Minami Oi, Shinagawa, Tokyo +81-3-5753-2811

<http://www.omoribellport.com/> The place of "American Pop Night"

May 30 (Sat) 10:00-21:30 May 31 (Sun) 9:30-16:30

Ikegami Kaikan Hall 1-32-8 Ikegami, Ohta-ku, Tokyo +81-3-3753-2241

10 min. walk from Ikegami Station of Tokyu Ikegami Line

Sorry but Maggie G has to leave Japan May 31, morning.

Instructors

Maggie Gallagher, Yukiko Ohashi

Martha Ogasawara, Setsuko Motoki, Yoko Kizaki, Yuko Jackson, Michiko Tomiya

Program

May 29 (Fri) (12:00 : Registration starts)

13:00-13:15 Opening Ceremony
13:15-18:00 Workshop & Dance (mainly for Beginner)
19:00-21:30 Party (Dance, Workshop, Maggie's Demo)

May 30 (Sat) (9:30 : Registration start)

10:00-17:00 Workshop & Dance, Review of the First Day, Lunch
18:00-21:30 Party (Dance, Exhibition, Maggie G Dance Competition with snacks and beer/wine:
Join with fun dressing)

May 31 (Sun) (9:30 : Registration starts) (Sorry Maggie goes back to UK)

9:30-12:00 Review of the first and second days, Workshop
13:00-16:30 Workshop & Mega Review

Maggie G Dance Competition

Free style competition of Maggie G's Dance. Judges are Maggie herself and others. Dance Maggie G dance with any styling. No limitation for numbers. Only one is OK. Let Maggie excited!
Dance style and attire is free, but, dance should be Maggie's. 2 min. If edited music would be used, give it DJ before dinner time. Music must be in music CD.
Competitor must be registered to the festival.

Date & Time : May 30 (Sat) Around 19:30 during Party

Place: Ikegami Kaikan Hall

Judges: Maggie G and others

Awards: Prizes for First to Third

Competition registration: Please e-mail to Hiro Suzuki until Apr. 30.

Festival Registration

Fill the registration form and send/Fax and pay registration fee.

Early bird: Until Apr. 30, 2009. Regular registration : May 20.

Hotels

Two hotel chains have special discount room for festival attendants. Tell them "Attendants of the country dance event."

Art Hotels Omori +81-3-3766-5566 6-19-3 Minami-Oi, Shinagawa, Tokyo 140-0013

<http://www.arthotels.jp/en/> Close to Omori Bellport

Urvest Hotel (Main, Kamata, Omori) +81-3-5711-0002 (Nishi-Kamata, Kamata, Minami-Oi)

<http://www.urvest.com/e/>

Meals

There are many restaurants and convenience store in Omori Bellport. You can eat and drink on the dance floor.

In Ikegami Kaikan Hall there is a small café restaurant and some restaurants in Ikegami Station area, 10 min. walk. You can eat and drink inside the hall. Snack and light drink will be served on the dance floor. And at the party of May 30 (Sat) light meals will be served with drinks.

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