### Registration for Beach Blanket Beledi 2017

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# Riskallah Riyad Southbury, CT

**Riskallah Riyad** is an instructor and performer of unparalleled originality. Her combinations and choreographies are imaginative and challenging. Her love of dance and unlimited vitality show in both the classroom and in each and every performance. Her solo and ensemble choreographies in folk and classical Oriental styles demonstrate a deep understanding of their cultural origins. Her work always retains an authentic flavor while being distinctly her own. Further, her contemporary fusion works succeed in expressing modern day reverence, mystery, and appreciation for drama.

Riskallah will present *Embrace the Silence*, techniques for introducing the unique energy of stillness into your dance through phrasing, pauses, breathing, and complete cessation of movement. Learn to speak volumes through the many sounds of silence.



Habiba Philadelphia, PA

Habiba is internationally recognized as a performer, choreographer, teacher and authority on dances of the Middle East. She was a student of Ibrahim Farrah for many years. On numerous trips to Tunisia and Egypt, she studied with members of the Tunisian National Folklore Troupe, and top Egyptian teachers including Raqia Hassan, Mahmoud Reda and Nadia Hamdi. An outreach lecturer for the Penn Museum of Archaeology and author of numerous mideastern dance articles for national magazines, she currently writes for The Chronicles of Belly Dance. Honors include the AAMED Belly Dance Hall of Fame (1997), 2001 IAMED Ethnic Dancer of the Year, and 2014 Jewel of the Orient Icon Award.

Habiba will present a choreography for a *Beledi Progression*, the heart and soul of Egyptian raqs al sharqi, and the (originally improvised) bridge between the taqsim and the drum solo. The choreography is suitable for a stand-alone performance, or to be included in your Egyptian-style performance.

Performing slots for the dance party are available on a first-come, first-served basis (priority is given to returning performers who were wait-listed the previous year). Twelve openings are reserved for returning performers, and six are reserved for new participants. Open dance slots will be filled from the waiting list after the preregistration cutoff. To be fair to everyone, performers may only dance once (group or solo). You MUST register for the seminar to qualify for a place in the program.

Routines are limited to **seven minutes** (but remember, less is sometimes more). Music must be on CD-R (not CD-RW). **MP3 format is NOT supported.** 



## Chelydra Newport News. VA

Early in her career as a middle eastern dancer, **Chelydra** fell in love with the folk dances of North Africa and the Middle East. As the original artistic director of the Caravan East Dance Troupe, and then through Dancing Turtle Folk Arts, she has performed and taught these dances throughout the mid-Atlantic region for more than two decades, and is proud to have been selected twice to perform in the ODU Local Choreographer's Showcase. She considers dance to be <u>serious</u> fun.

Chelydra will present *Amp It Up!*, adding the "live performance" impact of zils (finger cymbals) when dancing to recorded music. Learn to play your cymbals intuitively, using rhythm, melody, patterns, and accent.

## SEMINAR SCHEDULE

### Friday, October 6, 2017

Virginia Dare Ballroom

8:00-9:30 PM Welcome Wagon & Flea Market (\$5 per market space – pay at the door)

## Saturday, October 7, 2017

Virginia Dare Ballroom

>>> Continuous Bazaar for Seminar & Dance Party <<<

\*\*\* Scheherezade Imports \*\*\*
\*\*\* The Belly Dance Shop \*\*\*

9:30-10:30	Registration (vendo	ors/staff only until 9:30 AM)
10:30-12:30	Beledi Progression	on Habiba
12:30- 1:30	Lunch (on your own; b to time constraints)	rown bag recommended due
1:30-3:30 3:30- 3:45	Embrace the Sile	nce Riskallah Riyad
3:45- 4:45	Amp It Up!	Chelydra
8:00- ???	Dance Party	Bring a snack to share!

The dance surface is a mix of carpet and portable dance floor. You may want to bring dance slippers. Be prepared for anything: Zils, hip sash, and veil are always recommended contents of your dance bag. A practice skirt is always a good idea.

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#### **SEMINAR LOCATION**

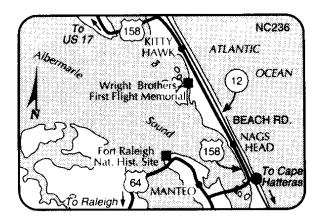
#### **Comfort Inn South Oceanfront**

Milepost 17 8031 Old Oregon Inlet Road Nags Head, NC 27959 1-252-441-6315

The Comfort Inn is located at Milepost 17 on the Beach Road. Most rooms are equipped with a microwave and small refrigerator. Continental breakfast is provided in the lobby every morning. A variety of restaurants, convenience stores, and specialty shops are nearby for your dining and shopping pleasure.

A double room rate of \$83 (soundside) or \$93 (ocean view) is being offered (\$10 each for a third and fourth person), and a limited number of King rooms are available for \$99 (ocean view). Tax is currently 12.75%. Be sure to mention **Beach Blanket Beledi** when you make your reservation. (Reservations must be cancelled 48 hours in advance, or a 1-night stay will be charged.) Check-in time is 4 PM; check-out is 11 AM. **No more than four persons per room are allowed by the local fire/safety code**.

Reserve rooms by **Friday**, **9/15/2017**, or rate and availability are not guaranteed. The hotel frequently sells out over this holiday weekend, so don't procrastinate in making your reservation.



Write or email for additional instructions if needed.

Closest Airport: Norfolk International (ORF)

Alternate Airport: Newport News/Williamsburg International (PHF)

(Rental car required to reach Nags Head.)

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