



# Tucson Friends of Traditional Music June 2026 Newsletter

## **Fifth Saturday Contra Dance**

When: May 30th - 6:30 to 10 pm

(Doors open at 6:00 pm, Lesson 6:30 pm)

Where: Dream Dance, 405 E Wetmore Rd, Tucson, AZ ([map](#))

Featuring:

Band - Cat Mountain Rounders

Caller - Seth Levine

What to Bring: Water Bottle, \$10 Admission Fee (under 25, \$5)

[Click here to volunteer!](#)

## **First Saturday Contra Dance**

When: June 6th - 6:30 to 10 pm

(Doors open at 6:00 pm, Lesson 6:30 pm)

Where: Southern Arizona Dance Center, 4801 E. 29th St., Tucson ([map](#))

Featuring:

Band - Out Of Kilters

Caller - Erik Erhardt

What to Bring: Water Bottle, \$10 Admission Fee (under 25, \$5)

[Click here to volunteer!](#)

### **Third Saturday Contra Dance**

When: June 20th - 6:30 to 10 pm

(Doors open at 6:00 pm, Lesson 6:30 pm)

Where: Southern Arizona Dance Center, 4801 E. 29th St., Tucson ([map](#))

Featuring:

Band - Rave Review

Caller -Randy Hobbs

What to Bring: Water Bottle, \$10 Admission Fee (under 25, \$5)

[Click here to volunteer!](#)

### **Volunteer to help at the dance**

Many hands make light work... All our dances are run by volunteers - We can't hold dances if everyone doesn't do their share. Thank you!

Visit [TucsonContraDancers.org](http://TucsonContraDancers.org) for more information about bands, dates and times.

### **Input Requested on TFTM Dances**

We'd love to hear your ideas on how to grow and improve our dances!

We have created an anonymous feedback form to gather input and ideas on how to continue to improve our dances. All questions are optional, and the form should take, at most, 10 minutes to fill out. The form can be found [here](#).

Thank you for taking the time to help us continue to grow our community.

### **Wood Floor?**

We are currently expecting the wood floor to be installed in the Dance Center in late July or early August (this year!). To celebrate the new floor, "snack queen" Karen is organizing a day of dance starting with a waltz workshop followed by a contra dance. For more info, see the [waltz workshop page](#).

### **About the Board**

The existing board of directors has been re-elected by the TFTM membership. The board members are Aaron, Adrienne, Claire, Harold, June, Minda, and Sierra. At the May meeting, the board elected the following officers: Harold, president; Minda, secretary; Claire, treasurer.

TFTM is managed by a volunteer board of directors elected in April of each year. The board meets the first Sunday of each month at 1:00 pm. If you would like to see an agenda or participate in a meeting, send an email to [president@tucsoncontradancers.org](mailto:president@tucsoncontradancers.org) .

Besides the board, TFTM enjoys the efforts of a great group of volunteers. These volunteers include the Dance in the Desert committee and the dance volunteers (setup, teardown, registration, greeting, snacks - including Karen the "snack queen").

### **Join SARDASA!**

SARDASA is the nonprofit that owns the building where we host our dances. We (TFTM contra dancers) have contributed towards making the hall better. We supported the addition of the water dispenser and the AED, have pledged support for a wooden floor that should be installed in the next several months. As a member club, TFTM has one seat on the SARDASA board of directors. As an individual member, you can vote for officers and additional "at large" board members in March of each year.

TFTM members are encouraged to support SARDASA by becoming individual members. Your membership both helps support SARDASA and allows you to help guide its future through the elections. The SARDASA membership form is available [here](#). Individual membership is \$5 per year.

In addition, SARDASA is looking for a group of volunteers to help maintain the building. They would like two volunteers from each club (like TFTM) to help. The next volunteer opportunity (hall cleaning) is Friday June 12, from 1:30 pm to 3:30 pm. If you'd like to volunteer, please email [president@tucsoncontradancers.org](mailto:president@tucsoncontradancers.org) .

### **TFTM Membership**

New and renewing members will receive their new buttons and two free passes at the first dance they attend in 2026. Memberships are tracked using the form at <https://forms.gle/cE7r5zCY6ts7t3dp6> . We have received a few payments where we have not yet seen an application through the form. If you have paid and do not see your membership reflected in the search at <https://tucsoncontradancers.org/tftm-membership-form-3/> , please complete the online membership application.

### **Phoenix Contra Events!**

Phoenix Traditional Music and Dance hosts contra dances most 2nd Saturdays at Mesa Community College and 4th Fridays near downtown Phoenix. For more information go to [Phoenix Traditional Music and Dance](#) .

### **Health Policy:**

If you are not feeling well, PLEASE stay home. We are placing our trust in our dance community to comply and keep us all safe. Masking is welcome but optional at our local dances.

More TFTM info can be found on the [Tucson Friends of Traditional Music Facebook page](#), the [TucsonContraDancers.org website](#), the [Tucson Contra Dancers Meetup page](#), our [Gatherist page](#), and on [Instagram](#) Hope to see everyone at future dances.