



38<sup>th</sup> FESTIVAL  
EARLY DANCE CIRCLE  
ONLINE

*The 38th Early Dance Circle  
Festival Programme  
ONLINE AGAIN!  
22 OCTOBER – 24 OCTOBER*

- \* SPECIAL GUESTS include speakers Lieven Baert (Belgium) and Dr Heather Clarke (Australia).
- \* MANY UK GROUPS AND DANCERS FROM ABROAD will be taking part.
- \* EVENTS include talks, a workshop and interviews with some key people in early dance as well as performances created in the past, including some wonderful excerpts from previous EDC Festivals. There will be regular breaks throughout the timetable, a dance workshop and a competition to enter on Friday evening. Come to our Zoom show all decked out in your best *Fans, Flounces & Furbelows*.
- \* As usual, a DVD will be made of all the Festival dancing. An Advance Order Form is enclosed in this mailing.

***ANNOUNCING OUR PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME***

*All those who register will receive a full programme beforehand.*

**FRIDAY EVENING 22 OCTOBER 19:00 – 21:30 approx.**

19:00 Grand Opening & Welcome by EDC Chairman Bill Tuck

19:30 Lieven Baert, “Staging dances which aren't conceived for the stage: The English Dancing Master,” a live Zoom lecture, followed by a Q&A session.

**Be the prize winner in our Fans, Flounces & Furbelows Competition...**

**SATURDAY AFTERNOON 23 OCTOBER 13:00 – 14:00**

13:00 Introduction with Bill Tuck and friends to historical dance from the 15th to the 20th centuries.

13:15 THE GRAND TOUR BEGINS:

Ancient Greece, with The Contretemps Academy's “Gods and Mortals”

Renaissance Italy, with Dance Past's “Forse che si forse che non”

A Fairytale Turkey with Chalemie's “The Grand Sultana,” followed by a short break.

## 14:10 MORE TRAVELLING IN TIME AND SPACE:

Nobuko Yuasa brings us “Anju and Zushio, a Japanese old tale” -- 15<sup>th</sup> century style  
Renaissance Footnotes returns to Italy & England with 3 old favourites  
Chestnut offers “Step Stately” from France  
The Historical Dance Society showcases “Gathering Peascods”

14:55 An Excursion to the Caribbean with Caroline Muraldo’s Creole “Belaire Workshop,”  
A Dance for All Session, with a short break before and after.

15:50 “The Sacred & Profane”: Anne & Richard Smithies take us back to the York  
production of 2016.

16:10 “Lost Paradise”: Christopher Columbus’ first journey to the New World and back  
to Europe, presented by Ilona Ozola, with Hazel Dennison and Tamsin Lewis. Q&A  
afterwards.

## **SATURDAY EVENING 23 OCTOBER 19:00 – 20:30**

### The Past is Another Country

19:00 Saturday Evening Live

19:05 Paul Cooper Interviews Christine and Ellis Rogers about the highways & byways  
of their long career in early dance. A short break follows

19:45 Cambridge Capriol’s performance at the EDC Festival 1988, dedicated to their  
late co-founder, Elizabeth Russell.

Kate & Frances offer an update: “Whatever Became of Emma & her Mr Knightley?”

Passamezzo remember the EDC Festival 1986 with “*So ben mi ch’a bon tempo*”

Norwich Historical Dance recall the brink of WWI, “*When the Lights Went Out*”.

## **SUNDAY MORNING 24 OCTOBER 10:30 – 12:00**

10:30 am Dr Heather Blasdale Clarke, Cultural Historian, “Dancing on the Deck: A  
History of Dance at Sea,” a live Zoom lecture with a question period at the end,

## **SUNDAY AFTERNOON 24 OCTOBER 13:45 – 14:45**

### In the Land of Covid

13:45 Hillary Burlock, “The Bath Assembly Rooms: 250 years”, discussion & a  
performance by The Bath Minuet Company

Alena Shmakova, “Dancing with Sir Walter Scott”

Mrs Bennet’s Ballroom at Large: excerpts from some outings during the pandemic  
Pastime Historical Dance, “All at Sea”, rescuing dancing lives in peril.

## **FESTIVAL ROUNDUP: CLOSING WORDS AND DISCUSSION 14:45 – 15:00**

**HOW TO BOOK TICKETS:** The EDC Festival Online weekend will be by donation  
via Eventbrite (minimum donation £1, suggested donation of £5.00 or more). The EDC  
depends on your support to help preserve and promote early dance, to keep it on the  
dance floor of history. The booking link is at <https://tinyurl.com/2pdthuf3> or on our  
Facebook page. Or just visit [www.earlydancecircle.co.uk](http://www.earlydancecircle.co.uk) to find the Eventbrite page.

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