

*The Hungarian Cultural Center, NY & The American Hungarian Folklore Centrum present*

# ***Tükrös***

**One of Hungary's Most Popular Folk Music Bands**

**Authentic village music and dance from Hungary and Transylvania**



The five members of this Hungarian folk music band are considered masters of their instruments. They have conducted extensive field research and studied with the most famous village musicians, making them the living link from centuries old traditional folk music. In their performance they are joined by two of Hungary's much loved folk dancers, Norbert and Zsuzsanna Busai. The Ensemble will be offering a spectacular show, dance workshop and TÁNCHÁZ for children and adults. The concert is just a teaser of what can be expected at the Smithsonian Folklife Festival (Washington DC, National Mall, June 26-29 and July 3-7), where over one hundred musicians, dancers and craftsman will showcase the Hungarian folk culture and heritage.

**Sunday, June 16, 2013 from 2 to 7 PM**

**Special Father's Day Celebration – Hungarian Style**

**The First Hungarian Reformed Church of New York**

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**Donations: \$ 20 [students \$ 10, under 16 years, children under 6 free]**

**Program: 2 PM – Performance followed by  
Children's Táncház, Dance Workshop for Adults and Táncház**

# **Tükrös** Folk Ensemble

## A FESTIVAL OF HUNGARIAN FOLK MUSIC

The **TÜKRÖS Folk Music Ensemble** was founded in 1986 and today is one of Hungary's most respected revival folk bands, which specializes in collecting authentic folk music from remote villages of Hungary and Transylvania, and from archival recordings, preserving and presenting this music in its most authentic form, yet in a style most entertaining and suitable for all audiences. Their performance is a voyage back to historical times, when traditional folk music was an integral and crucial part of the village community's daily life. **TÜKRÖS** CDs have been very popular, especially their disc of folk music collection from Szatmár County [North Eastern Hungary], which became a landmark release. They are a regular band at the *FONÓ*, a popular folk music café in Budapest. In addition to performing, the band members are dedicated to teaching folk music in schools and organizing an annual folk music camp in Hungary.

**TÜKRÖS** members are professional musicians with decades of performing experience. The band has toured throughout Europe, twice in Australia and once in North America. Members include: **Attila Halmos**, violin – became attracted to folk music at an early age through the activities of his father who was an ethnomusicologist; **Gergely Koncz**, violin - one of Hungary's youngest and most talented folk violinists; **Péter Árendás**, brácsa [viola] – a key figure in the collection of folk music for *FONÓ* Records and the musical director of the *BUDAPEST Folk Ensemble*; **Endre Liber**, brácsa and cimbalom – a prominent musician in the Budapest folk music scene with many years of experience; **András Lelkes**, bőgő [double bass] – a talented musician with experience in folk music as well as jazz.

**Dancers: Norbert Busai** was accepted in the World-famous Budapest Ensemble at the early age of nineteen. In 1997 he received the Young Master Artist Award, and graduated from the Hungarian Folk Dance Academy in 2011. **Zsuzsanna Busai** was a member of the Budapest Ensemble. Since 2003 she has been a member of the Jaszszag Folk Ensemble. In 2001 she received the Young Master Artist Award.

A magyar népzenei játszó zenekarok élvonalába tartozó Tükrös Zenekar 1986-ban alakult Budapesten. Fő célkitűzésük a hangszeres magyar népzene minél hitelesebb tolmácsolása, stílusos előadása, szórakoztató formában. A magyar nyelvterület számos vidékének zenéjével foglalkoznak, de e sokszínű népzenei belül főképpen szatmári (Északkelet-Magyarország) és különböző mezőségi (Erdély) zenéket játszanak a hagyományos vonószekari felállásban (hegedű-brácsa-bőgő), cimbalommal kiegészítve. A zenekar számos alkalommal szerepelt különböző rádió-és TV-csatornákon. Több hazai gyűjteményes népzenei lemezen szerepeltek, az első önálló albumukat a Fonó Records adta ki 1996-ban (Tükrös együttes: Magyar népzene). Az ezredfordulóra a zenekar megjelentette második lemezét "Szatmári népzene az 1900-as évekből" címmel, amellyel elnyerte a Magyar Művészeti Akadémia Arany Oklevelét. Egy évvel később, 2001-ben kiérdemelték a "Népművészet Ifjú Mestere" címet. A Zenekarnak immár 5 éve állandó klubja működik a Fonó Budai Zeneházban. A zenekar által játszott stílust elsősorban a rendszeres gyűjtőutakon megismert idős falusi zenészekről, és a róluk készült korábbi felvételek alapján tanulták, ezek az utak erős érzelmi és szakmai töltést jelentenek mind a mai napig.

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