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Classes and Workshops below

The sound of a guitar played from the soul compels you to listen. - Juan del Gastor

Finally we can announce that Juan del Gastor and his wife Luci Rozario will be arriving soon from Sevilla to offer some classes and workshops. This is a rare opportunity indeed since this is his first time ever to come the west coast.

Dear friend, beloved teacher, and fiestero inimitable.

Many of you already have the pleasure of knowing Juanito & perhaps studying with him in Seville or Morón, but let me offer this as background.

Juan Gomez Amaya was born in 1947 in Morón de la Frontera (Sevilla)

+ Special Feature
ROBERTO ZAMORA!



[Click here for this month's Special Feature on Roberto Zamora!](#)

April 23 "ENTRE AMIGOS" A Tribute to ROBERTO ZAMORA y su Arte Flamenco Featuring a cast of flamenco dancers and musicians including Roberto Zamora, Yaelisa, La Monica, Melissa Cruz, La Nina, Jason McGuire, and Keni "el Lebrijano". 8pm LA PEÑA CULTURAL CENTER, \$18 adv./\$20 door

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* Artists page, providing free web directory listings to any local flamenco artists.

into one of the most revered dynasties of gypsy flamenco. The dynasty was founded by his uncle the now mythic guitarist Diego del Gastor. His older brother is the renowned guitarist Paco del Gastor. His first cousins include Diegito de Morón and Augustín Ríos (the Bay Area's most authentic gypsy flamenco maestro) both of them superb guitarists in their own right, as well as the dancer / fiestero Andorano, the dancer / maestro Pepe Ríos; his uncle, the beloved cantaor Joselero; and, in the younger generation, the dancers Juana Amaya and Pepe Torres.



For more than 40 years Juan del Gastor has been carrying on the family tradition of performing and teaching. He is highly sought after by the peñas of Andalusia, in the casetas of the Feria de Seville, during the celebration of Rocio, and frequently appears at Sevilla's Bienal. He has toured all over Spain and Europe and has appeared in festivals and theatres in the USA, Argentina and Japan.



Juan says of his early years, My first experiences playing the guitar were in fiestas, sitting beside my uncle Diego. He would hand me the guitar and, under his watchful eye, I accompanied such revered singers as

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Portland Flamenco Festival 1



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Portland Flamenco Festival 1

July 19-24, 2005

Portland, Oregon

Solo Flamenco invites you to the Portland Flamenco Festival! Portland is an artistic city nestled amongst some of the most beautiful natural sites, including Mount Hood, the Columbia River Gorge, and the rugged Oregon Coast. A large city, noted for its cleanliness and livability, Portland provides the ideal setting for the Northwest's first Flamenco Festival.

Festival events will include:

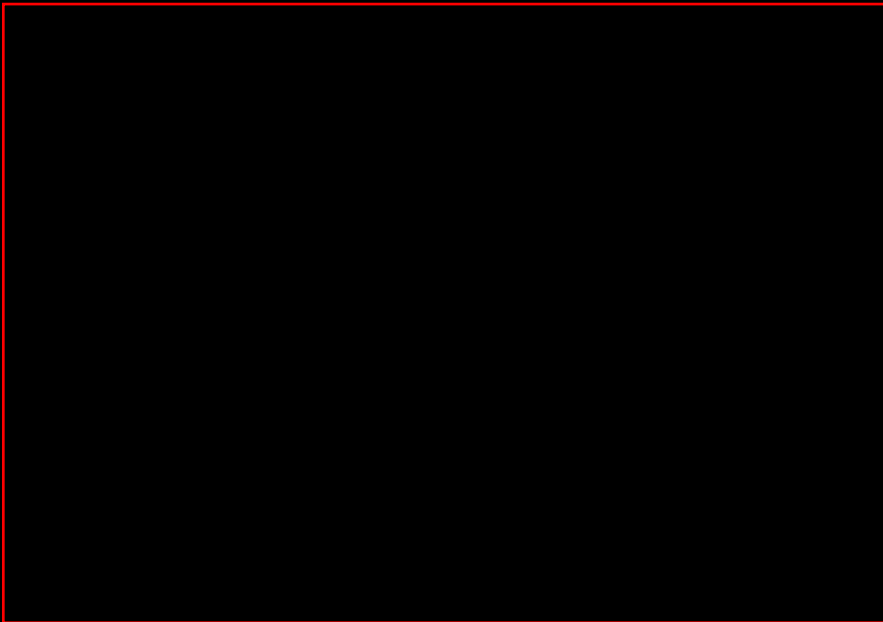
- * 3 levels of Dance Classes for Adults; Children's Classes
- * 2 levels of Guitar, Percussion and Cante Classes
- * Flamenco Theory and History Classes
- * Film Viewings, Juergas, Concerts, Art Displays and more!

Guest Instructors will include:

- * La Fibi, Oscar Nieto and Laurena Marrone (dance)
- * Mark Taylor (guitar)
- * Jaime del Rio (cante/palmas)

Manolito de Maria, Juan Talega, Perrate de Utrera, Anzonini del Puerto, Joselero, Fernanda and Bernarda de Utrera and Miguel Funi... It was with these singers, gypsies with long distinguished artistic lineages, that I learned the art of accompaniment, and I have a profound affection and respect for them all and for the deep black notes of their song.

In addition to these considerable professional accomplishments this man can sing and dance. Anyone who has had the good fortune to be with him in fiesta will never forget it.



It is the aire he brings to everything he does, that has always drawn people to him. This is the flamenco that heats up when done por familia, por fiesta, in the workshops.

About Luci - Luci has lived closely within the gypsy culture for more than 20 years. Being married to the guitarist, Juan del Gastor, she was fortunate to be able to hear some of the greatest singers such as Fernanda de Utrera, La Pepa de Utrera, Maria la Burra, and Joselero. She learned her first dance steps in the family weddings and baptisms. Later she learned dance technique with Pepe Rios, Juana Amaya and Angelita Vargas. Luci has danced on stage with Aurora Vargas, Jarrillo and Juan del Gastor. She has worked in the Sevilla Fair, in El Rocio and in many galas. She teaches dance and compás classes in her studio in the center of Seville.

* Toshi Onizuka (palmas, cajon) and more!

Information: visit www.portlandflamencofestival.com
Classes filling fast!

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All proceeds go to support
La Fibi and Family

The Flamenco Community is coming to the aid of Flamenco dancer La Fibi to assist with the medical crisis. Your help in this humanitarian endeavor is greatly appreciated.

*Cruise options are for September, October or November, Monday-Friday or Friday through Monday, some restrictions may apply, winner must pay taxes and docking fees of \$119.35 per person. Prize is for two people. Need not be present to win. Winner will be notified by telephone or mail. Drawing to be held May 22, 2005 at Flamenco Open Stage 9pm at Ashkenaz In Berkeley, CA.

+ NEW +

**Yaelisa & Caminos Flamencos
NOMINATED FOR A 2003-04 AWARD FOR
"BEST COMPANY PERFORMANCE"
FOR THE 2003 PREMIERE OF 'MUJERES' AT
YERBA BUENA CENTER FOR THE ARTS**

19th Annual Isadora Duncan Dance Awards were announced in today's SF Chronicle (April 6), and Yaelisa and Caminos Flamencos is honored to be among the nominees. The Award Ceremony will be held on Tuesday, April 26 at Yerba Buena Center for the Arts, with a 6:00pm reception and the 7:00pm ceremony.

CAFE FLAMENCO RETURNS TO ODC!

ODC Theater and Yaelisa & Caminos Flamencos presents their next show on Sunday, April 17 at 7:00pm. The performance features artistic director Yaelisa, just returned from a great trip to Spain, Jason McGuire "El Rubio," Roberto Zamora singer, Felix de Lola, singer, Melissa Cruz, dancer and guest dancer Monica Bermudez. Call the Box Office at (415) 8630-9834 or visit www.odctheater.org. Tapas and wine served. Tickets are \$17-\$10 and reservations are needed for cafe table seating.

CLASSES RESUME - TUESDAY NIGHT SCHEDULE CHANGE!

Yaelisa's classes have resumed. Please note the following: Tuesday Workshops at SF Dance Center began on March 31. The 7:00pm Tangos and 8:00 Bulerias ARE BEING CANCELLED and CHANGED to 7:00pm Int/Adv Flamenco Technique and 8:00pm Choreography for Solea Por Bulerias. This change is effective starting Tuesday, April 12.

NEW WORLD FLAMENCO FESTIVAL
Yaelisa, artistic director

The Festival is back!!! The Irvine Barclay has begun selling tickets for the 2005 Festival, and they are going fast. Brochure announcements have gone out, and the companies appearing for the "Familia y Tradicion" theme are the Farrucos, Yolanda Heredia/ Isabel Bayon in "Una Batita de Cola (Homenaje a la Bata de Cola), and Antonio 'El Pipa' and Company featuring Juana la del Pipa. Visit the Barclay website at www.thebarclay.org

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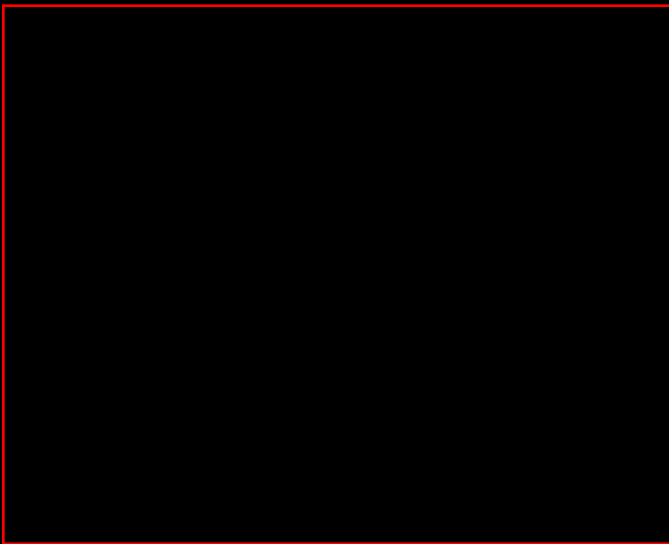
For some time now Juan and his wife, the accomplished Luci Rozario, have been jointly teaching a very effective and well-spoken-of course in Compás y Baile (rhythm and dance) in Seville. It is publicized as an opportunity to learn new steps and dance movements in the Puro (gypsy) style as well as gain an understanding how they fit in with the guitar and cante.

Our dance workshop roughly follows this format, but at the intermediate level.

It has been suggested that Juan do a workshop for dancers on Fiesta Buleria with cante. This would be for beginning and intermediate students and would demonstrate how the dancer comes in, does her llamada, and goes off - in terms of the cante. Each student would have the opportunity to try out individually her own steps or learn new fiesta steps. Emphasis would be on listening to cante and working a bit with fiesta style. Dance students often ask about this; because there are so few classes with singers they often have little experience with this aspect. This workshop will be in Santa Cruz this trip. It could also take place in the East Bay as a private class or perhaps a few students would like to get together and work in one of the smaller studios... Call to discuss this: (831) 295-7077

CLASS SCHEDULE

1 Juan del Gastor is available for individual classes. Saturday April 23 through Friday April 29 in Berkeley. These will be held at a private house. Saturday April 30 through Friday May 6 (maybe May 5) in Santa Cruz These will be held at Marianna & Federico Mejia's Flamenco Romantico or by arrangement. One-hour classes. Guitar Cante Baile \$60 first class / \$50 thereafter.



2 Baile Workshop Evenings Santa Cruz
Juan del Gastor and Luci Rozario
at Marianna & Federico Mejias Flamenco Romantico
Intermediate - Bulerías por Fiesta!
Monday May 2 to Thursday May 5
6:00 - 7:30 pm
1 1/2 hour classes \$150 / series
Payment in full required by April 18.
Price goes up \$25 per series thereafter and will be cash only.
Price per class at the door \$35 if space is available

3* Cante Workshop Series Evenings Santa Cruz
Juan del Gastor
Monday May 2 through Thursday May 5
Advanced Bulerías por Fiesta! 8:00 - 9:30 pm
1 1/2 hour classes \$125 / series
Payment in full required by April 18.
Price goes up \$25 per series thereafter and will be cash only.
Payment at the door, if space is available \$35 per class
*** This class is almost full because it is by nature small.**
*** We will set up another during the day or at lunch if enough people can do it.**
Baile series and Cante series - \$250 for the 8 classes (this is a savings of \$25)
If paid in full by April 18.
Please let us know of your interest.
ASAP



4 Guitar Workshops for Accompaniment
Juan del Gastor
A. Saturday April 23 1534 Kearny St. El Cerrito
3:00 - 4:30 pm
1 1/2 hour class \$40
This class is almost full. Others can be arranged as interest merits.

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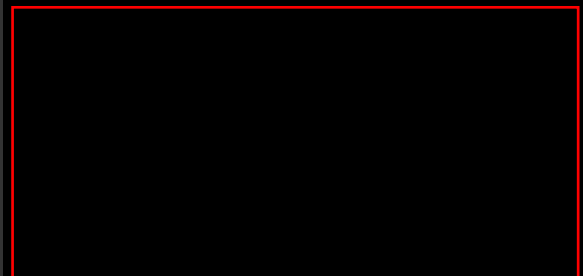
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Mondays February 28-March 21

B. Thursday April 28 - 1534 Kearny St. El Cerrito

7:30 - 9:00 pm

1 1/2 hour class \$40

Payment for these classes must be received one week in advance

\$50 in cash thereafter.

Please let us know of your interest so we can schedule more classes.

5. Cante Workshops Evenings Berkeley

- schedule pending

Juan del Gastor

Monday April 25 - Friday April 29

1 1/2 hour classes \$40 / each

Limit 4 -7 people. Payment must be received 1 week before.

Thereafter \$50 in cash

SPACE IS LIMITED !!!

CONTACT US TO MAKE RESERVATIONS ASAP.

Reservations and Inquiries for Classes and Workshops

a_acordes@yahoo.com

(831) 295-7077

Information about Flamenco Romantico

(831) 477-2825 or email: LaMarianna@aol.com

It may be necessary to modify this schedule as a result of the unpredictable nature of the universe. However we will make every attempt to stick to it and accommodate your requests and preferences. Thank you.



¡Qué venga Juan!

¡Ay, qué alegría!

Venga alegría!

Viene Juanito

Con su bulería!

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Directions to studio in El Cerrito. Coming from the south on 80 take the Potrero exit. Go right on Potrero. Cross San Pablo. The first possible right after crossing San Pablo is Kearny. The studio is behind the house through the gate.

7:30-8:30pm Beginning Flamenco Dance

8:30-9:30pm Intermediate Flamenco + Bulerias

Yaelisa

Mondays March 28-May 16

6:30-7:30pm Intermediate Flamenco Taconeo/
Palmas

7:30-8:30pm Intermediate Fandangos Choreography

Monica

Saturdays March 12-May 10

11-12pm Children's Flamenco Dance Ages 5 - 12

12pm-1pm Adult Beginning Flamenco Dance

Carola Zertuche

Wednesdays March 16-April 27

6:30-7:30 Beginning Flamenco Dance - Technique

7:30-8:30 Intermediate/Adv Flamenco Dance

Carolina Lugo

Tuesdays April 5-July 26

6:30-8:00pm Intro Spanish Dance with Castanets

8:00-9:30pm Flamenco Intermediate I and II

Carole Acuna

Saturdays April 9-July 30

1:00-2:00pm Modern Dance - Teen/Young Adult

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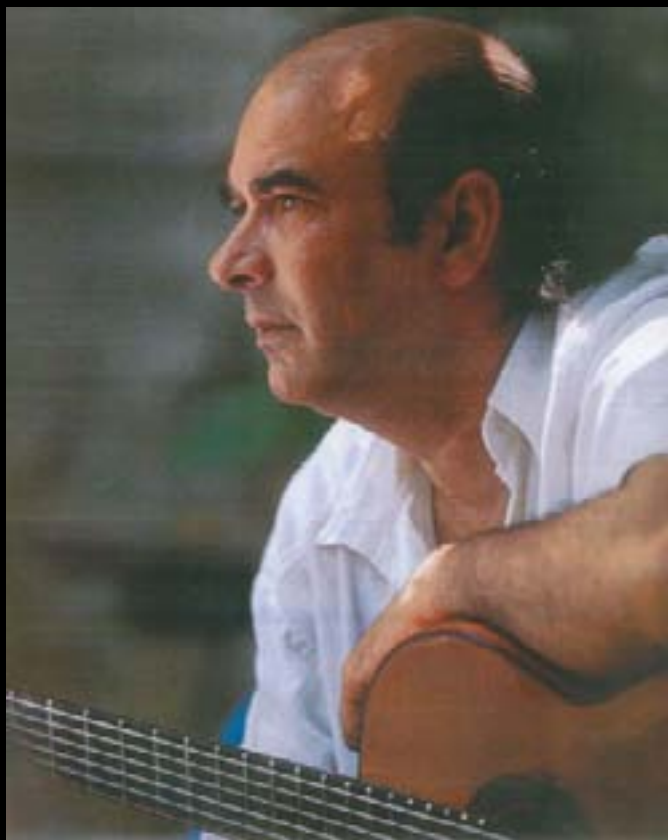
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UPCOMING SHOWS

Click on the show for calendar with full details. Check show information with venue.

+ April 2 Carolina Lugo's Brisas de España Flamenco Dance Company presents 5th Annual Spring Concert "Majas, Lunares Y Flores" , 8:00 PM Del Valle Theatre Walnut Creek



CAROLINA LUGO'S BRISAS DE ESPAÑA
FLAMENCO DANCE COMPANY

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 -Ann Murphy, Oakland Tribune

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April 2nd Del Valle Theater 1962 The Valley Blvd., Walnut Creek
 presents "Hijos, Lunas y Flores"

June 3rd Debra Leshor Regional Center for the Arts 101 Civic Drive
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Direct from Seville, Spain, Special Guest Artists: The Mito Family in Flamenco on Concerto
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+April 3 THE FLAMENCO ROOM at the ThirstyBear
Two cuadro-style flamenco shows Sundays at 7 &
8:30pm
No cover charge. Featuring Félix de Lola, Ricardo
Diaz, Felice Valenzuela and Kerensa DeMars.

+ Apr 10 THE FLAMENCO ROOM at the ThirstyBear
Two cuadro-style flamenco shows Sundays at 7 &
8:30pm No cover charge, featuring Patricia
Velasquez, El Lebrijano, La Fibi and La Monica.

+ April 16 BRANDO'S Steak & Seafood * Wine Bar
presents FLAMENCO! LIVE! with LA FIBI FLAMENCO
and an ensemble of the Bay Area's Finest Flamenco
Singers, Guitarists, and Dancers Two seatings: 6:30
pm and 8 pm
\$8 cover

+ Apr 17 THE FLAMENCO ROOM at the ThirstyBear
Two cuadro-style flamenco shows 7 & 8:30pm No
cover charge, featuring Nina Menendez, Benjamin
Woods, Carola Zertuche and Kerensa DeMars.

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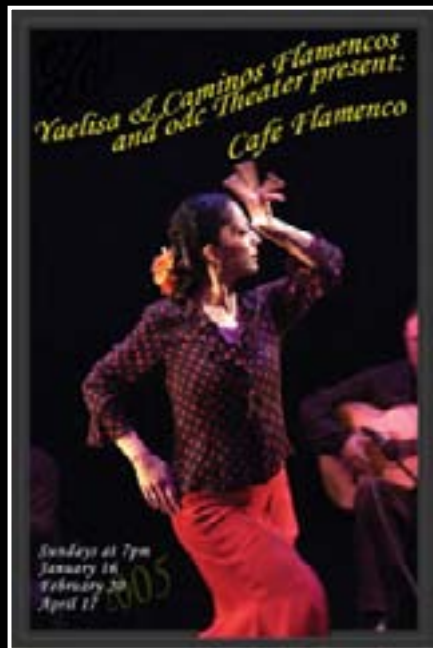


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TICKETS: \$17 front row tables \$14 second row tables
\$10 The performance features artistic director
Yaelisa, just returned from a great trip to Spain,
Jason McGuire "El Rubio," Roberto Zamora singer,
Felix de Lola, singer, Melissa Cruz, dancer and guest
dancer Monica Bermudez.

+ April 21 Sonoma State University, The Department
of Modern Languages and Literature, and The
Spanish Club present: The Ensemble Arte Flamenco
in Cante Jondo - The Roots of Flamenco The
Flamenco Suite for Flamenco Dance, Song and Guitar
An Homenaje to Federico Garcia Lorca Dancer:
Phoebe Vernier La Fibi Singers: Roberto Zamora and
Aziel El Moreno Guitarists: Mark Taylor and David
Carrol, 8pm \$15 general, \$7 student



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+ May 6 La Nina Productions and The Bay Area Flamenco Partnership present: Gypsy Flamenco singer, CRISTO CORTÉS y su primo Joselito Santiago; Dancers Cristina Hall & Lolita Yeves Singers El Pirouz & Nina Menéndez Guitarist, Ricardo Díaz FRIDAY, 8pm LA PEÑA CULTURAL CENTER, Berkeley \$18 adv./\$20 door



+ May 7 Cabrillo College Music Department, World Music Studies, presents: Flamenco! Featuring: Joaquin Encinias, Jose "Chuscales" Valle Fajardo, Francisco "El Yiyi" Orozco. Also featuring: Juan del Valle, Monica Bermudez, Andrea "La Canela" Black and Richard "El Quijote" Black. Saturday, 8:00 pm Cabrillo College Theater, Aptos, \$22 at the door; \$20 in advance.

+ May 8 2005 Cal Performances World Stage 04/05 season Gypsy Crossings featuring Biréli Lagrène & Taraf de Haïdoks Sun, May 8, 7 pm Zellerbach Hall, \$22/\$30/\$42



+ MAY 21 TOQUE FLAMENCO AT COPIA This talented group of Bay Area flamencos returns for its fourth show at Copia: The American Center for Wine, Food, and the Arts, on Saturday, 8pm The concert will feature dancers Melissa Cruz, Kerensa DeMars, and Carola Zertuche; singers Roberto Zamora and Patricia Velasquez (the group's founder); guitarists Ben Woods and Roberto Aguilar. Copia in Napa. Tickets are \$25 or \$22.50 for members.



+ May 28 Las Buenas Flamenquitas The Azahar Dance Foundation presents a recital by the best emerging flamenco dancers of the Bay Area, presented by their teachers: Adela Clara, Alicia Zamora, Carola Zertuche and Virginia Iglesias. Julia Morgan Theatre, 8PM College Avenue, Berkeley. Tickets \$17 adults, \$10 children, general seating

+ June 3 8th Concert Season 2005 Carolina Lugo's Brisas de España Flamenco Dance Company presents "Sonidos de dos Familias" One Night Only, 8PM Dean Leshner Regional Center for the Arts; Featuring Direct from Seville, Spain, Special Guest Artists The Miño Family in "Flamenco en Concierto" Dancer, Choreographer Pepa Montes, Guitarist Ricardo Miño Pianist Pedro Ricardo Miño and Guest Artists Singer

Jesus Montoya, Guitarist Gino D'Auri

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