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In this six-page document we summarize in part the philosophy and development of the Grand Bal de l’Europe. Read the entire leaflet and its supplements on our website www.gennetines.org. Register if you want to participate in our meetings: this is obligatory, with presentation of your ID upon arrival.

We warmly thank the artists, organizers and participants who have built the Grand Bal de l’Europe and invite you to bring to life and share the 2019 festival with us.

Bernard et Julie Coclet

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Registration before 1 July is obligatory
Registration before July 1st allows better organisation and the best set-up.
You can register either online from the home page of www.gennetines.org or by mail by returning the registration form (see pages 4 and 5).

Length of stay
We advise against short stays. A short visit will not allow you to benefit fully from the festival community, or participate in its organisation, or fully understand its philosophy.
You choose the duration and the dates of your visit, the only constraint is respect for our organization.

No propaganda, no commerce
We are delighted to welcome the many dancers and musicians who accept the festival’s organisational structure and who participate at our invitation in return for their expenses – but we do not accept any form of commerce, propaganda or recruitment on the festival site, on the campsites or in the parking areas. The sole exception is that of local traders who provide a service in the campsite at set times.

Timetable
For efficiency and fairness to artists, organisers and participants, we must respect all timetables.

Constraints
Our organisation is simple and transparent, easy to operate for our team of volunteers. It is rigorous for reasons of security and fairness. Please don’t come to Gennetines if you are not in agreement with our operational principle as described below.
The festival opens on Friday 19 July at 9.30 pm

Opening of Reception
- Opening on Friday 19 July from 11 am to 11 pm.
- From July 20 to August 2, Reception will be open from 9 am to 11 pm.

You can only buy your bracelet to enter the site or the campsites, or your meal and drink tickets, during this time slot.

Gennetines 2019
Festival planning...

More than 105 groups will take part in the festival.

Dance workshops or dance-express sessions
The following dance themes will be covered by one or more groups, one or several times. Some changes are possible, we will update this list on our website and we will notify you with our newsletter.

- Alsace
- American Tapdance
- Angleterre
- Ariège
- Auvergne
- Avant-deux
- Baroque
- Béarn
- Bourrées 2 temps
- Bourrées 3 temps
- Berry
- Bretagne
- Cajun
- Cap-Vert
- Catalogne
- Centre France
- Contemporain
- Contredances
- Danses collectives
- Danses débutsants
- Danses de couple
- Fandango
- Flandres
- Forro
- Gascogne
- Grèce
- Irlande
- Israël
- Lettonie
- Limousin
- Mazurkas
- Morvan
- Musette
- Nivernais
- Pays Basque
- Playford (danse anglaise)
- Poitou
- Portugal
- Provence
- Rock
- Salsa
- Sauts basques
- Scottish
- Suède
- Tango
- Valses (asymétriques)
- Vendée
- Wallonie

Bals - Concert
The groups will play the dances taught in their workshops during their sessions at the bals, as well as a more general repertoire.

The detailed programme of the workshops will be available in Gennetines on July 19th and on our website www.gennetines.org in April (we will tell you exactly when in our newsletter).

Planning a day

- **Dance workshops**
  On 7 dance floors you will be able to discover, dance, learn or practice many European dances. (There may be between 50 and 300 participants in a workshop).

  The stars on the programme give an indication of the level of the workshop (* : easy, ** : intermediate, *** : advanced).

  Everyone will have their own approach, background, priorities and dreams; everyone should be able to find an appropriate level at which to participate.

- **Express dance workshops**
  Shorter workshops to introduce a particular dance, region or group of dancers in about 30 minutes.

- **Exchange of ideas**
  For increased understanding of dance - researchers, musicians and dancers can share their experiences, reflections, conduct a debate or discuss a film or an exhibition.

- **“Discovery » music workshops**
  Musicians or singers present a technique, an instrument, a way to play together.

- **Presentations**
  Some evenings, at 9 pm, a short presentation to show some dances and inspire you to try them.

- **Bals - Concerts**
  Seven bals at the same time starting at 9.30 pm or 10 pm. Then seven new bals to replace them between 11.30 pm and 0.45 am. To finish, there may be several acoustic jam sessions to dance through the night.

- **Daily adjustments to the Programme**
  A planning session will be held each day between 2.00 – 2.30 pm at the event office. You will be able to propose other events.
**The Information Point**
A place at the center of the site that houses:
- the schedule for the dance floors,
- organizational information,
- a message and car-pool space.
We highly recommend a daily visit.

**The Music Kiosk**
A space with a dance floor for:
- music workshops,
- chatting: about dance,
- presenting productions,
- playing music and dancing at free times.

**The Cabaret**
In the center of the site, a space with a dance floor for:
- having a break,
- meeting people,
- the promotion of dance and music,
- the sale of dance and music recordings and books,
- jamming and ... more dancing.
Out of respect for the other participants and for the neighbours, we can not allow musical instruments that are too loud.

**Geographical location**
Gennetines is situated 300 km south of Paris and 10 km north of Moulins, in the Allier Department.
The Bal de l’Europe takes place on an old Bourbonnais farm, Les Gauthiers, situated on the D288, halfway between the villages of Gennetines and Trevol. By train, the nearest station is 10 km away at Moulins-sur-Allier; there is no regular transport to the festival site. If you take a taxi, tell the driver you are going to the Bal de l’Europe, « aux Gauthiers », at Gennetines, on the D288.
The GPS coordinates are:
- in DD:
  - Latitude: 46.63053447564956
  - Longitude: 3.364729285240173
- in DMS:
  - Latitude: N 46° 37’ 49.924”
  - Longitude: E 3° 21’ 53.025”

**Car Pooling**
We invite you to visit this website: www.covoiturageauvergne.net. Just fill in the arrival or departure town: Gennetines (03400). This site is supported by the Regional Council Auvergne-Rhône-Alpes and the Allier Departmental Council.

**Practical details**

**Identification**
Everyone on the festival site or campsites or parking areas must wear a festival identification wrist bracelet. Entry will be monitored 24 hours a day, on all parts of the festival sites. You are requested to show the bracelet to the gate personnel each time you enter any part of the festival site and to any of the festival personnel on request.

**Smokers**
Be watchful, take care of others, do not smoke or vape near dance or meal places.

**Instrument security**
The “consigne” is a free safe-keeping service for instruments available from 9.30 am in the centre of the festival site. We recommend that you personalise the cases on the outside and put your name and address inside.

**Bags**
Do not leave any valuable item in your bags or clothes when you put them down to dance. Moreover, personalise them.

**Children**
The festival site is not designed for the particular needs of children. We therefore ask that all children under 12 should be accompanied by an adult at all times. Children under 18 remain the responsibility of their parents who will be expected to introduce them to the responsibilities of group living and to ensure that they respect the code of conduct of the Bal de l’Europe. They may, if they wish, join the Association.

**First Aid Booth**
It only provides first aid in case of medical emergencies. A list of pharmacies, doctors and hospitals is available. Bring along your first-aid kit.

**Animals**
We are not able to accommodate pets at the festival for reasons of noise, hygiene and responsibility. Animals are therefore prohibited on the festival site, the parking lots and the campsites.

**Medical certificate and insurance**
We suggest that you consult a doctor to know if you are able to practice dance during the festival.
We also strongly recommend that you take an insurance policy to cover the physical injuries you are exposed to during your activities.

**Meals**
The association serves self-service meals on the festival site. The organisation offers choice, quantity and caters for vegetarians. You can bring your cutlery.
Local traders keep regular hours on the campsite for those who wish to self-cater.

**Planning a day**

9 am to 11 pm - Reception
9 am to 10.30 am - Watch-Over Service for Instruments
9.30 am to 4 am - Watch-Over Service for Instruments
7 pm to 8.30 pm - Meal
10 am - 3 am - Bar
10 am - 2 pm - Bar
12.30 am to 2 pm - Meal
9 am to 10.30 am - Reception
9 am to 11 pm - Reception
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Registration + Membership Card for the Grand Bal de l’Europe 2019
Internet registration : You can register online on the association's website : www.gennetines.org

- To participate in the Grand Bal, one card must be filled for each adult or child.
- Please use capital letters, write carefully and fill in both sides.
- Payment is made on arrival.

Surname :  
First name :  
Address :  
Postcode :  Town :  
Country :  
Tel :  
E-mail :  

☐ I wish to join the AEADT, sharing my experience and efforts, and I will pay at Gennetines (membership for 2019-2020).

☐ I have read the whole of the festival programme. I accept your organization and its regulations.

Please note your age : ☐ under 10 years ; ☐ 10-17 years ; ☐ 18-24 years ; ☐ over 24 years.
Under 18 years, parents must fill in the authorization on the other side.

OFFICE USE ONLY
• Réception de la fiche : ................................................... Date de paiement : ...................................................

Meetings during the Grand Bal de l’Europe

Consultative meetings Sunday 28th July 2019 at 2.30 pm, to allow a maximum of members to take part in the democratic life of the association. On the agenda: first assessments of the 2019 festival, any improvements possible before the end of the festival, management and philosophy of the association.

Ordinary general meeting

Sunday 29 December 2019 at 6 pm at « Les Gauthiers » in Gennetines (this is the notification to attend for the members).

On the agenda:

- Approval of the accounts for the previous accounting period (1st July 2018 to 30th June 2019);
- Activity programme for 2019-2020;
- Election of the members of the board of directors.

Bernard Coclet, président of the association
Registration + Membership Card Grand Bal de l'Europe 2019 (also fill out page 4)

→ In principle, I am planning to attend the Grand Bal on :  

19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 31 july, 1st 2 3 4 august.  

→ I am planning to eat the catered meals :  

 everyday □ occasionally □ never □ vegetarians □  

→ I am planning to use the festival campsite □ another □


For the children : I, the undersigned ............................................................................................................................... the legal guardian for the child named on the back, have taken note of the entire information leaflet and I authorise him/her to take part in the Grand Bal de l’Europe.

☐ I shall accompany him/her.  ☐ He/She will be under the responsibility of ................................................................. who will take any necessary educational/health related decisions. Phone in case of emergency : ..................................................................................

Legal Guardian’s  Child’s  Accompanying  
Signature  Signature  adult  

Return one card per person to : Bal de l’Europe - Les Gauthiers - 03400 GENNETINES - FRANCE

The official website of the Grand Bal de l’Europe is www.gennetines.org

To follow and understand the life and working of the association and Le Grand Bal de l’Europe.

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The daily schedule (the current year goes online in April, the archives of previous years are available)  News  Dancer’s quotes

The list of groups with a link to their website or blog  Bulletins  Photos

Practical Information (Prices, Registration, Comic Counsel of the wise, ...)  Information letters  Videos

Old programs  Meetings

Subscribe to the newsletter from the site’s homepage.

Online registration available from the homepage of the site from February.
Contact during the meetings

- During the festival, we do not answer the phone. In order to get through, please send an email.
- We have an information point at the center of the site and all participants should check the news and messages several times per day.

**CONTACT**

- **Post**: Le Grand Bal de l’Europe
  « Les Gauthiers » 03400 GENNETINES FRANCE
- **Phone**: Please call during office hours:
  +33 4 70 42 14 42 on Tuesdays between 8 pm and 10 pm or on Wednesdays between 10 am and 4.30 pm (except in July and August)
- **Website**: www.genetines.org
- **Email**: grandbal@genetines.org
- **Newsletter** (subscription on the website)

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**Car park and campsite**

Car park and campsites are both situated on private property and are only available to participants wearing a festival bracelet. They will be available from 18th July and are free.

The campsite is on farm fields, near the festival site, provided with hot showers, toilets, drinking water taps, sinks for washing, and electric outlets for razors and hairdryers only.

**Peace and Quiet and Safety on our campsites**

Please drive slowly and use your vehicle as little as possible. Do not sleep in the car park. Speak softly and pay attention to your neighbours.

Our campsites are big enough to accommodate all the participants. We do not reserve any spaces, you will need to find an available space when you arrive.

All of us must respect the legislation and the festival regulations, and the inhabitants of Gennetines, where we should be as quiet as possible.

To ensure everyone’s safety, the following rules are fundamental and must be obeyed without discussion. We give on this page other lodging possibilities.

- Sealed-off areas must be kept free for use by security or emergency workers.
- There must be a reasonable space between tents in order to prevent the spreading of fires.
- No dangerous or toxic products should be stored in tents.
- Our campsites do not cater for smokers or gas cookers (we recommend extreme caution on the part of smokers and cookers - they should have a fire-extinguisher and have a stock of water nearby their tent).
- Avoid camping or parking areas under trees. If you are beneath a tree, you must evacuate the area during stormy weather. The Association’s insurance will not cover you if you have a problem.
- Please make sure your tent and other material are securely fixed.
- The grounds are bumpy and there is very little light or none. We recommend bringing your own torch and taking care when walking.
- The Association will not be held responsible if our rules are not respected (please check that you have personal insurance).

In case of litigation, only the courts of the district of Moulins are competent, and in case of difference the french text of this document will take precedence.

**Hotels, Bed & Breakfast, Campsites**

The tourist information centre of Moulins and its region can help you with accommodation or in discovering our region. Book your accommodation in good time.

- **Office de Tourisme de Moulins et sa région**
  11 rue François Péron - 03000 Moulins
  Tel : +33 4 70 44 14 14 - www.moulins-tourisme.com

**Gites de France**

Gîtes de France Relais for the Allier and Nièvre Departments can send you descriptions of houses or flats to rent:

- **Gîtes de France Allier** - www.gites-de-france-allier.com
  Tel : +33 4 82 75 68 55
- **Gîtes de France Nièvre** - www.gites-de-france-bourgogne.com/nievre.html – Tel : +33 3 80 45 97 15