

# The threads we weave

## 7TH DANCES OF UNIVERSAL PEACE CAMP

*Corçà, Girona. Spain*

*August 16 to 21, 2026*

This year, the Dances of Universal Peace Camp is inspired by the image of community weaving. How do we nourish and sustain our inner journey as dancers, guides, mentors, and musicians? We face challenges of how to provide flexible structures while weaving our colourful designs. Our DUP family in Iberia is growing and new needs are rising for everyone. How can we provide support while having the freedom to explore and to deepen, both individually and collectively? We open to the Spirit of Guidance with the awareness of Unity showing respect for the many paths already traveled. How can we care for the transmission, refine the guidance, and at the same time sustain the growth of the DUP family? Let's weave together one big tapestry of love, harmony and beauty which will bring peace.

This Iberian DUP Camp presents itself as a Rite of Passage into the next seven-year cycle, making us aware of what has been woven, what is, and what we wish to come. Therefore we welcome Noor and Arjun, both Senior Mentors with a pioneering role in the expansion of DUP. Noor, since 1971, in Europe and Arjun, in Latin America and Asia. They have generated and sustained structures, shared experiences and weaving colourful threads of love, wisdom, vision, and depth that inspires and helps us growth.

This camp is designed for all levels. Whether this is your first contact with the Dances of Universal Peace or you are familiar with them, here is the opportunity to deepen your experience. Maybe you would like to learn how to guide them? We will have workshops for new Dance Leaders who will benefit from the feedback of more experienced Dance Leaders. This gathering is a very special opportunity for everyone.

It is a privilege to welcome you to this 7th DUP Camp we are hosting in Iberia. (1st DUP Camp, 2018 with Fiba Sylvia Murillo and David Jamal; 2nd DUP Camp, 2019 with Pir Shabda Kahn and Lakshmi Tamariz; 3rd DUP Camp, 2022 with Jorge Arjun Calero and Jilani Cordelia Prescott; 4th DUP Camp, 2023 with Grace D Marie; 5th DUP Camp, 2024 with Malika Elena Baranes and Gulzar Christina Lausevic; 6th DUP Camp, 2025 with Darvesha MacDonald and Roxana Campos).

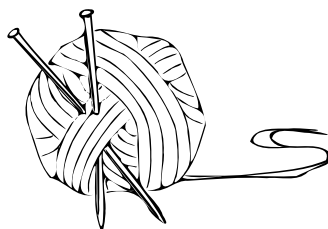


# Our Guest Teachers



Noor was born in 1945 in New York City. At 25 she was initiated by Pir Vilayat Khan in NYC where she also met Samuel Lewis. She is a Murshida in the Inayatiyya Order and a Weaver of Traditions.

Both of them inspired her to become a teacher of these Sacred Dances. Dancing and singing are in her Irish DNA. Noor moved to the Netherlands in 1972. She introduced weekly 'Sufi Dancing' in the 'Kosmos' in Amsterdam, where she met her husband Akbar, who became her partner in dance and music for many years. Together they traveled and danced over four continents. They gave many trainings and workshops and founded a School for the Dances of Universal Peace in 1992. Although Akbar has passed on to other realms in 2021, the school still exists for over 35 years. As a Senior Mentor, Noor is inspired by the intentions of purity and joy which the mantra's and dances give. Noor is grateful for her part in spreading the seeds that were planted by Murshid SAM, which are now sprouting, in these special times, all over our beloved Mother Earth united with Father Spirit. Alhamdulillah!



Arjun is part of the Board of Directors of the International Organization for the Dances of Universal Peace (DUP) where he serves as Senior Mentor and also serves as a Murshid (teacher) in Sufi Ruhaniat International. He has taken the DUP to different countries in Latin America, Middle East, Africa and Asia coordinating the Beyond Initiative. A medicine man with years of experience in the path of ceremonies, sacred plants, sweat lodge, sun dance, vision quest. One of the founders of Atlantida Ecovillage 20 years ago, community where DUP trainings and all the mentioned altars are planted. Also cofounder of the Colombian and Latin American Ecovillage Networks. Still active in these networks as elder and vision keeper as well as organizing education for sustainability. He is a biologist, specialist in ethnobiology and ecology with a M.Sc. in ecosocial regeneration.



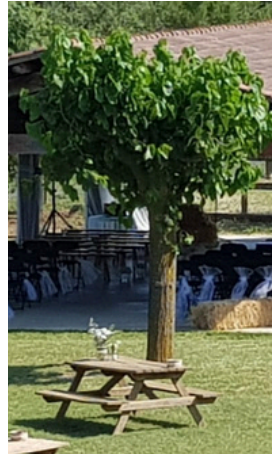


# DUP Camp Location

It is a residential spiritual retreat of 5 days and 5 nights, based in ancestral traditions, we will share talks, teachings, dances, and practices such as meditations, breathing techniques, heart circles, meditative walks, zikr, workshops, training labs for guiding DUP and mentoring DUP leaders, different paths for working with the body in the understanding and integration of mind, body and spirit.

On this occasion, we are hosted by La casa de colonias L'Ocell, in Corçà, Girona. It is a large, flat, enclosed area, surrounded by small forests and cultivated fields. It has a multipurpose room with capacity for 120 dancers; multiple-occupancy accommodation rooms, a dining hall and a pool, a climbing wall, and farm animals. For more details, you can visit: <https://ocell.cat/>

Corçà is 129 kms far from Barcelona, known for its streams and neighboring towns with Romanesque architecture. It is 9 minutes far from La Bisbal de l'Empordà, the ceramics capital of Catalonia, and about 30 minutes from various beautiful beaches of Costa Brava. To reach by public transport, the Flaçà train station is 9 minutes far from the site. We can organize groups to bring participants from this train station to L'Ocell.





# Food, Accommodation and Donations

The cost of the gathering in full board of breakfast, lunch and dinner with ovo-lacto-vegetarian menu, from the Sunday 16th dinner to the Friday, 21st lunch, with all activities and practices included and the accommodation at L'Ocell, sleeping in your own tent, van or caravan, or in shared rooms with beds and bunk beds (with a capacity of 4 to 8 people) is:

- €320 normal price
- €350 price with extra donation to financially support the organization
- €290 discounted price for vulnerable economies
- €160 price for children aged 3 to 17
- €160 price for organisational support (translation, music, care, activities with children and youth, support in the kitchen, and coordination of dining and cleaning).

Payment will **only be received in cash** on the day you arrive at the pick-up; we do not have electronic means of payment. Thank you for your understanding and foresight.

## Registrations and Communication



To reserve your place in the gathering and pre-register, please click on the following link and fill in the form, one per participant or accompanying person:

<https://forms.gle/RVpzGJVU6rWVVZFM7>

If you would like more information or have any questions, you can write to us at **dancepraying@gmail.com**

Or you can contact by phone, WhatsApp, or Telegram at **+34697827043 Eliana Latifa** or **+34605806529 Juan Nuraddin**.



# About what to bring and other informations

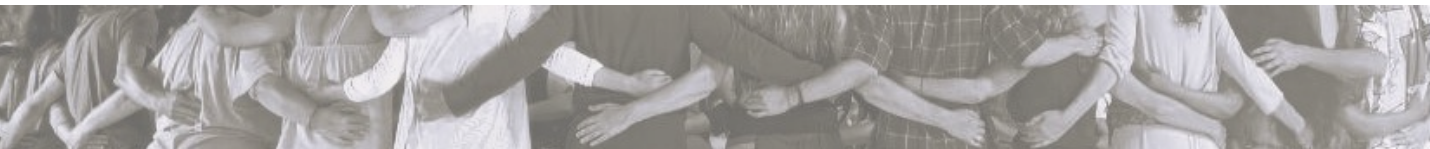
There will be translation of English to Spanish and from Spanish to English.

We encourage families to come with children or teenagers; in this case, please consult us about conditions. The venue has several attractions for the little ones, such as a climbing wall, farm animals, and a swimming pool.

## **What to bring:**

- We recommend that you come with your own sheet, sleeping bag or blanket.
- Come with all your camping equipment if you stay in tent.
- Towel and personal hygiene kit.
- Cool clothes for the day and warm clothes for the night.
- Umbrella or raincoat. Cap or hat to protect from the sun.
- Good walking shoes for exploring the village and surroundings.
- Flip-flops and swimsuit since there is a pool and nearby sea.
- Thick socks or indoor shoes for the hall.
- A flashlight, thermos, or bottle to refill with water.
- Objects for the altar.
- Musical instruments.
- A notebook and pen.

There will be a bazaar during the week in which you can bring your crafts, products, or creations and sell them in a self-managed way.



*With excitement for this new meeting to continue our weaving!*  
*Juan, Eliana, and Gabriela*

