

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, the warp and the weft: how dancers, guides, mentors, and musicians are drawing and sustaining our own journey with the message of harmony, peace, and beauty on which this practice is based. We face several challenges: how we provide structure while weaving designs of color and flexibility. Being open to the Spirit of Guidance with the awareness of the unity we are and respect for the path already traveled by those who came before us. How we care for the transmission, refine the guidance, and at the same time sustain the growth of the DUP family. How we provide support while also giving spaces for exploration, freedom, and refinement, both individually and collectively. Our DUP family in Iberia is growing, and new needs and learnings are arising for everyone.

This Iberian DUP Camp presents itself as a rite of passage to the next seven-year cycle, making us aware of what has been walked, what exists, and what we want to come; for this, we welcome Noor and Arjun, both senior mentors with a pioneering role in the expansion of DUP—she in Europe and he in Latin America and Asia; they have generated and sustained structures, shared experiences, and provided that weaving and those threads with the colors of love, wisdom, vision, and depth that inspire us and help us grow over many years.

Whether this is your first contact with the Dances of Universal Peace or you already know them and are willing to deepen your experience, or would also like to learn how to guide them, this gathering is a very special opportunity for everyone. The program is designed for all levels. We will have workshops for new dance guides who will benefit from the feedback of more experienced dance leaders.

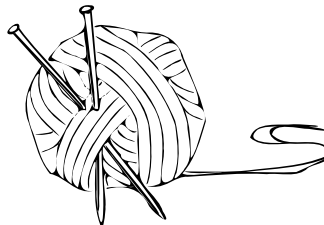
It is a privilege to welcome you to this 7th DUP Camp we are hosting in Iberia. (1st DUP Camp, 2018 with Fiba Sylvia Murillo and David Jamal; 2nd DUP Camp, 2019 with Pir Shabda Kahn and Lakshmi Tamariz; 3rd DUP Camp, 2022 with Jorge Arjun Calero and Jilani Cordelia Prescott; 4th DUP Camp, 2023 with Grace 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 Guide 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 DNA, her Irish genes. Noor moved to the Netherlands in 1972. She introduced weekly 'Sufi Dancing in the 'Kosmos' in Amsterdam, where she met her future husband Akbar, who became her partner in dance and music for many years. Together they traveled and danced over 4 continents and gave many Trainings and Workshops. As a Senior Mentor she lets herself be moved by the intention, purity and joy that mantra's and the dances give. Noor is grateful for the seeds that were planted by Murshid SAM, which are now sprouting up 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.



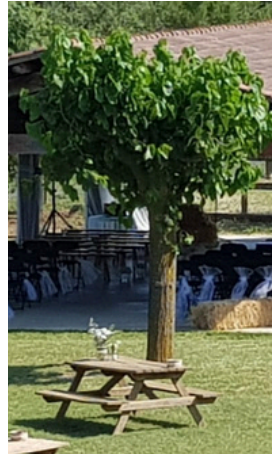


The place that welcomes us

We offer this 5-day, 5-night residential spiritual retreat. We draw on ancestral traditions, and we will share talks, teachings, dances, and related practices such as meditations, breathing techniques, talking circles, meditative walks, zikr, workshops, training labs to guide DUP and mentor DUP leaders, strategies to work with the body in understanding and integrating 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/>

The municipality of Corçà is 129 km 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 the Costa Brava. To reach by public transport, the Flaçà train station is 9 minutes from the site, from where we can organize groups to bring participants to L'Ocell.





Contributions, food, and accommodation

Contributions include full board with an ovo-lacto-vegetarian diet (breakfast, lunch, and dinner) from dinner on Sunday, August 16, until lunch on Friday, August 21. It also includes the retreat activities and practices and accommodation at L'Ocell, sleeping in your own tent, van/caravan, or in shared rooms with beds and bunk beds (with a capacity of 4 to 8 people). Below is the contributions table:

- €320 general
- €350 with a donation to support the organization
- €290 with a discount for vulnerable finances
- €160 price for children aged 3 to 17
- €160 price for volunteers (translation, music, care, activities with children and youth, support in the kitchen, and coordination of dining and cleaning).

Payment will **only be accepted in cash** on the day you arrive at the retreat; we do not have electronic means for this. Thank you for your understanding and foresight in this regard.

Registrations and Contact



To reserve your spot at the meeting and complete the pre-registration, go to the following link and fill out the form, one for each participant or companion:

<https://forms.gle/RVpzGJVU6rWVVZFM7>

If you want to get 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

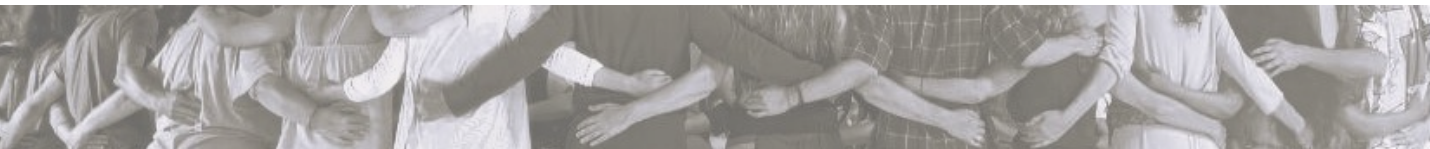
The event will have translation from English to Spanish and from Spanish to English.

We encourage families to come with children or teenagers; in this case, please consult us about the 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 bring your own sheet and sleeping bag or blanket.
- Camping equipment if you are staying overnight.
- Towel and personal hygiene kit.
- Light clothing for the day and warm clothing 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 water.
- Items for the altar.
- Musical instruments.
- A notebook and pen.

There will be a moment during the week for a bazaar where you can bring your crafts, products, or creations to sell them independently. About what to bring and other information.



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

