

## Market Place

Several local vendors will join in the spirit of this multi-cultural "Festival of Nations" as they sell different souvenirs and gift items at our pavilion "Shuk". Don't miss out on the opportunity to visit the vendors during Folklorama.

- Avis Raber-Exquisite Israeli Jewellery
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Israeli & Jewish themed Art
- Aliza Amihude-Jewellery

### Pavilion Souvenirs

Don't miss out on your chance to proudly wear a Shalom Square t-shirt, with its lively design and bright colourful appeal. This special Folklorama t-shirt is only available to pavilion volunteers and visitors. Be a part of this year's Israel Pavilion-Shalom Square "community celebration" with a special t-shirt. Returning to the pavilion after a several years absence are unique Canada/Israel lapel pins. These wonderful souvenirs will be a special memento of your visit to one of Folklorama's most exciting and interesting pavilions.

## Internationally-Acclaimed Chai Folk Ensemble: A Folklorama Fixture

Folklorama is a celebration of tradition, and there is no tradition more venerable than the annual appearance of Winnipeg's Chai Folk Ensemble at the Israel Pavilion-Shalom Square. For three decades - since the inception of Folklorama in 1970 - Chai has been entertaining audiences with its uniquely energetic blend of dance, music, and song from Israel and around the world.

As Folklorama has grown, so has Chai, which now comprises of more than 40 performers and is widely acclaimed as North America's oldest and largest Israeli folk dance companies. In recent years, the ensemble has travelled to locations as diverse as Mexico City, Walt Disney World in Florida, and in November 1998 to Israel. The opportunity to perform in the Jewish state was nothing short of a dream come true for Chai, which performed three times to wildly enthusiastic audiences across northern and central Israel.

And the enthusiasm has not been limited to out-of-town audiences. For its 36th Anniversary Concert last March, Chai welcomed the well-known Winnipeg Klezmer group "Finjan" to its annual concert at the Centennial Concert Hall, a combination of music and dance that resulted in an unforgettable explosive performance.

This year's Israel Pavilion show will feature a number of proven audience favourites, drawing on diverse influences that span the entire spectrum of Israeli culture. Energetic dances based on traditional hora and debka styles will alternate with subtler pieces of Yemenite and Oriental origin, augmented by contemporary music directly off the Israeli Top 40 charts. Throughout the

performances, the renowned Chai singers and orchestra will be on hand, accompanying the dancers with their textured stylings and occasionally stepping into the forefront themselves for a refreshing change of pace.



## Among the pieces to be performed:

### Alle Brider

This could be the theme song for Folklorama: a celebration of harmony, set to an infectious Klezmer meringue rhythm.

### Der Heyser Bulgar

Hot bulgar at its best, this Klezmer tune features the Chai orchestra.

### Havdalah

In the Jewish tradition, we bring Shabbat (the Sabbath) to a close in a beautiful ceremony, known as Havdalah. In this extraordinary work, the flames, wine and fragrant spices - the symbolic essence of Havdalah - come to life before your eyes.

### Hora Nirkoda

A lively medley featuring the traditional hora steps of the Israeli pioneers.

### Mehatchala

A celebration of the energy, passion and spirit of the land and people of Israel.

### Shema Yisrael

An inspirational piece which has become a Chai favourite.

### Shirei Ro'im Ve'Ohavim

A contemporary interpretation of traditional Yemenite folk songs, including the percussive debka.

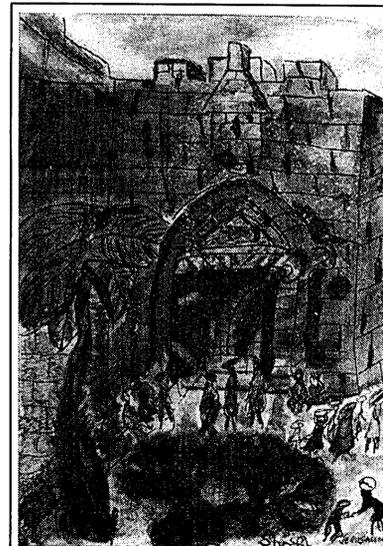
### Yalda Yecheifa

A show-stopping medley of Mediterranean origin.



# Israel Pavilion - Shalom Square

# Folklorama 2000



### About the Artist:

Shoshana (Shosh) Shalev-Minuk, was born and raised in Israel. In 1979 Shosh became an Israeli Folk Dance instructor and has been teaching until last year. She enjoyed teaching Israeli Folk Dancing to the spirited beat of traditional and modern Israeli music. Shosh moved to Winnipeg in 1981. In October 1998, she discovered her ability to paint and draw. Shosh has been taking classes through the Life Long Learning Centre and the Winnipeg Art Gallery. She uses watercolour, ink and pastel. Her paintings reflect her love for Israel and the Jewish traditions influenced by people from different countries in the world. Shosh expresses her love for Israel through music, Israeli Folk Dancing, travelling around the country, photography and painting. Some of Shoshana's work was displayed and sold, at the Asper Jewish Community Centre. Her painting of "Jerusalem: View of the Zion Gate" was chosen by the State of Israel Bonds, National office, New York to be printed on their invitations cards. Her recent painting in pastel "Sunset - Sea of Galilee" was displayed at the art student show, this month, at the Winnipeg Art Gallery. Shoshana's art will be displayed during the week of Folklorama at the Israel Pavilion, Jewish Community Centre.

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