



# 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Lagniappe Dulcimer Fête

March 8 - 11, 2018

*for dulcimers and acoustic instruments*

**" Bon Anniversaire Lagniappe "**



## Vendor Information

The *Lagniappe Dulcimer Society* invites you to join us for our **17<sup>th</sup> Annual Lagniappe Dulcimer Fête** in Port Allen, Louisiana, March 8 - 11, 2018. Our theme this year is "Bon Anniversaire Lagniappe." We celebrate our 20<sup>th</sup> year as a dulcimer club and look back over the years at our accomplishments and highlights. Come and pass a good time with Lagniappe at a birthday celebration at the **West Baton Rouge Community Center**.

**Registration:** Due to space limitations, all vendors must pre-register. Registration is on a first-come basis, as soon as the Vendor Registration Form and check is received. Registration will continue until all tables are sold.

**SEND COMPLETED FORMS TO:** Marie Varnes, Vendor Chairman  
1124 Stoneleigh DR, Baton Rouge, LA 70808 Phone: 225-767-0211  
Email: [mvarnes@lsu.edu](mailto:mvarnes@lsu.edu) or [marieewv@gmail.com](mailto:marieewv@gmail.com)

**More Information:** Information about the fête may be found on Lagniappe Dulcimer Society's website at: <http://www.lagniappedulcimerbr.org/> Registration forms will be available on our WEB site around September 1, 2018, but if you wish to register prior to this date, we can accommodate you.

**Place:** The fête will be held at the West Baton Rouge Community Center, 749 N. Jefferson Avenue, Port Allen, Louisiana, and the West Baton Rouge Museum located adjacent to the Community Center. Registration, vendors, jamming, meals and concerts are held at the Community Center and classes at museum buildings and the center.

**Vendor Fees:** Vendor registration fees are \$25.00 for each 6-foot table or space and 2 chairs for the weekend.

**Parish Taxes:** The West Baton Rouge Parish requires vendors to pay parish sales tax. We will assist in providing forms; but it is the responsibility of each vendor to complete the forms and return them to the parish after the fête.

**Focused Activities on Thursday afternoon:** Registered attendees have a choice of four 2-hour workshops: Advanced Beginner/Novice Workshop; Dulcimer Orchestra; Keyboard Back-Up; and "Cook Like a Cajun" workshops on Thursday afternoon. Fees apply for these workshops. The Fourth Annual Louisiana State Dulcimer Championship takes place Thursday afternoon from 3:15 pm - 4:15 pm in the Community Center.

**Set-Up Time:** Vendor set-up on Thursday, March 9, is from 9:00 am - 3:00 pm and 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm (no set-up during competition and mini-concert from 3:00 pm - 5:30 pm) and set-up continues on Friday morning.

**Take-Down Time:** Vendors may disassemble booths after 4:00 p.m. on Saturday, March 11. Vendors may remain open during the concert on Saturday evening. Please **do not disassemble displays during the concert**.

**On-Site Camping:** Several camping spots for self-contained R.V.'s are available next to the Community Center; some spots have water and electricity. These spots are on a first-come, first-served basis. There is a dump station on site. **Sites must be reserved at least one month in advance and reservations are made directly with the Community Center.** Cost is estimated to be \$15 per night. Contact Clara Olinde at 225-336-2423.  
Address: 749 N. Jefferson Ave., Port Allen, LA 70767.

**Additional Camping:** Baton Rouge/Denham Springs KOA: [koa.com/campgrounds/Baton-Rouge](http://koa.com/campgrounds/Baton-Rouge). This campsite is 20 miles from the fête; Reservations: 1-800-KOA-4673 or 225-664-7281.

**Hotel:** Hampton Inn & Suites, at I-10 Exit 151 in Port Allen. Address: 2755 Commercial Drive, Port Allen, LA, 70767. Phone: 225/389-6655. A block of rooms at a special rate is reserved for the fête. Rooms will be held until a month prior to the fête. When you make your reservations, mention the code DUL or that you are with Lagniappe Dulcimer Society Fête. Rate includes breakfast.

**Raffle Prize Donations:** We very much appreciate raffle prizes which you may donate to the festival. (The festival committee may combine small items into a larger basket.) Donations are tax deductible. Please indicate your donation on the **Vendor Registration Form**. (R 6-20-17)