



The Original RENAISSANCE PLEASURE FAIRE®

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FAIRE FACTS

Spring 2012

The Faire is a rollicking romp through Elizabethan England, set within shaded glades and sun dappled meadows of the Santa Fe Dam Recreational Area in Irwindale, CA.

2012 marks our 50th Anniversary! More than 1,200 costumed performers and artisans including dazzling acrobats, internationally acclaimed musicians and entertainers, juggling jokers and jesters, willful wenches...and, newly arrived, jousting knights are ready to celebrate! Complete with 16th Century games, rides, arts, crafts, food, music and dance, recreating the celebratory spring day in 1574 when the world arrived to entertain Queen Elizabeth in the English Seaport of Deptford.

DATES:

WEEKENDS

April 7th through May 20th, 2012

Saturdays and Sundays 10 am - 7 pm

RAIN or SHINE

WHERE:

Santa Fe Dam Recreational Area – Irwindale, CA

15501 East Arrow Highway, Irwindale, CA

15 miles East of Los Angeles, 35 miles West of San Bernardino,

35 miles North of Long Beach

TICKETS:

At the Box Office on Faire Days

- Adult Ticket: \$25
- Children (5-12) \$15
- Children 4 and under, always FREE!

DISCOUNTS:

Discount Tickets online at www.Renfair.com via TicketFly

- Group Rates available for 15 or more by calling 626-969-4750
- Senior & Military discounts at the Box Office on Faire Days with ID

PARKING:

A Vehicle Entry fee of \$10 is charged upon entry to the Santa Fe Dam Recreational Area by Los Angeles County.

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Entertainment: ALL NEW

Presenting Circa Paleo, The English Nightingale, Maxx Empire Jousting, and 10 more new and exciting entertainment performances from the 4 corners of the world. Our thirteen stages of nonstop entertainment come alive featuring Faire favorites such as the beloved Manly Men In Tights and MoonNiE the Magnif'Cent -Juggler, Ropewalker and Foolish Mortal. The Poxy Boggards and The Merry Wives of Windsor.

Marketplace

The variety of our 125 artisans in the village marketplace is sure to appeal to everyone. Nowhere else can you find the combinations of artists who will demonstrate their skill at blowing glass or forging iron, create a perfectly authentic article of renaissance clothing, or fashion a one of a kind piece out of exotic leathers. Whether you fancy delicately formed gold jewelry or prefer to sport a manly drinking horn about your neck, there are crafts to outfit yourself and your home. Children delight in having their face painted, their hair braided or finding a new puppet friend. Arts and crafts workshops such as Celtic drawing, beadwork and basket weaving are offered for all ages at Queen's College.

Food & Drynke

The Renaissance Pleasure Faire is proud to present some of the finest festival food. Boasting local and internationally trained chefs, twenty-three food vendors offer an array of foods from fish and chips and sausages to salads and sorbets. Vegetarian and Vegan entrees and desserts are available. Our Pub Crawl is offered twice each day. On your journey, you will visit five of our village pubs for a time to tell jokes, make toasts and play games while enjoying the company of Deptford's many characters. This will sell out, so stop by the RenQuest™ Encampment to sign up!

New this Year: We welcome food tastings by the *Zagat rated* Food Truck Army. Since the conception of the renaissance faire, patrons have been offered cutting edge food choices: turkey legs, Sheppard's pie, scotch eggs and this year we are pleased have the Food Truck Army to bring additional choices to our now traditional menu. Guests will find exquisite crepes, Asian cuisine, adult style grilled cheese and much more from the Food Truck Army. Another addition to our village is the fine restaurant, El Cholo of Pasadena, the delicious bakery and café. They will serve their signature green corn tamales and other popular Mexican cuisine. This year we also feature wine tastings hosted by the San Antonio Winery.

RenQuest™

Deptford's live action fantasy-play returns with a new chapter in its evolving story line. RenQuest brings the worldwide popularity of massively multiplayer online role-playing games into the live action dimension of the Renaissance fair, and offers gamers the chance to test their role-playing prowess beyond the realm of their computer screens.