For a fortnight, the strength, richness, diversity and magic of dance and music allow everyone to create their own Grand Bal in a spirit of freedom based on respect and consideration for others. The festivals are supported by regulation to ensure, in particular, collective security and respect for the neighbourhood.

In this six-page document we summarize in part the philosophy and development of the Grand Bal de l’Europe. Read the entire leaflet and its supplements on our website www.gennetines.org. **Registration is mandatory. It must accompanied by the payment which will validate it.**

We warmly thank the artists, organizers and participants who have built the Grand Bal de l’Europe and invite you to bring to life and share the 2020 festival with us.  

Bernard et Julie Coclet

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**Registration is compulsory**
- Before June 15 by mail via the registration form, accompanied by payment;
- Before June 15 via the online registration page with payment by credit card, or cheque;
- Until July 16 via the online registration page with payment by credit card only.

**Check our website https://gennetines.org regularly, especially from 1 June onwards, to check if there is still room or to get the latest advice.** If possible, subscribe to our newsletter from the home page of our site to receive useful information directly.

**Length of stay**
We advise against short stays. A short visit will not allow you to benefit fully from the festival community, or participate in its organisation, or fully understand its philosophy.
You choose the duration and the dates of your stay, the only constraint is respect for our organization and our hosting capacity.

**No propaganda, no commerce**
We are delighted to welcome the many dancers and musicians who are members of our association and contribute to the running costs – but we do not accept any form of commerce, propaganda or recruitment on the festival site, on the campsites or in the parking areas. The sole exception is that of local traders who provide a service in the campsite at set times.

**Timetable**
For efficiency and fairness to artists, organisers and participants, we must respect all timetables.

**The official website of the Grand Bal de l’Europe: www.gennetines.org**
- Organization of the Grand Bal de l’Europe 2020
- Shared emotions (videos from previous years, photos, testimonials)
- The association
- Online registration from the homepage (from February)
- Subscribe to the newsletter from the home page.
The festival opens on Friday 24 July at 9.30 pm

Opening of Reception
➢ Opening on Friday 24 July from 11 am to 11 pm.
➢ From July 25 to August 7, Reception will be open from 9 am to 11 pm.

You can only get your entry ticket and your bracelet to enter the site or the campsites, or your meal and drink tickets, at these hours.

Gennetines 2020
Festival planning...

About 100 groups will take part in the festival.

Dance workshops or dance-express sessions

The following dance themes will be covered by one or more groups, one or several times. Some changes are possible, we will update this list on our website and we will notify you with our newsletter.

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Bals - Concert

The groups will play the dances taught in their workshops during their sessions at the bals, as well as a more general repertoire.

The detailed programme of the workshops will be available in Gennetines on July 24th and on our website www.gennetines.org in April (we will tell you exactly when in our newsletter).

Planning a day

➢ Dance workshops

On 7 dance floors, you will get the chance to discover, understand and dance a wide variety of European dances. (There may be between 50 and 300 participants in a workshop).

The stars on the programme give an indication of the level of the workshop (*: easy, **: intermediate, ***: advanced).

Everyone will have their own approach, background, priorities and dreams; everyone should be able to find an appropriate level at which to participate.

➢ Express dance workshops

Shorter workshops to introduce a particular dance, region or group of dancers in about 30 minutes.

➢ Exchange of ideas

For increased understanding of dance - researchers, musicians and dancers can share their experiences, reflections, conduct a debate or discuss a film or an exhibition.

➢ « Discovery » music workshops

Musicians or singers present a technique, an instrument, a way to play together.

➢ Presentations

Some evenings, at 9 pm, a short presentation to show some dances and inspire you to try them.

➢ Bals - Concerts

Seven bands playing at the same time, starting at 9:30 or 10:00. Then seven new bals to replace them between 11.30 pm and 0.45 am. To finish, there may be several acoustic jam sessions to dance through the night.

➢ Daily adjustments to the Programme

A planning session will be held each day between 2.00 – 2.30 pm at the event office. You will be able to propose other events.
The Information Point
A place at the center of the site that houses:
- the schedule for the dance floors,
- organizational information,
- a message and car-pool space.
We highly recommend a daily visit.

The Cabaret
In the center of the site, a space with a dance floor for:
- having a break,
- meeting people,
- the promotion of dance and music,
- the sale of dance and music recordings and books,
- jamming and ... more dancing.
Out of respect for the other participants and for the neighbours, we can not allow musical instruments that are too loud.

Geographical location
Gennetines is situated 300 km south of Paris and 10 km north of Moulins, in the Allier Department.

The Grand Bal de l’Europe takes place on an old Bourbannais farm, Les Gauthiers, situated on the D288, halfway between the villages of Gennetines and Trevol. By train, the nearest station is 10 km away at Moulins-sur-Allier; there is no regular transport to the festival site. If you take a taxi, tell the driver you are going to the Grand Bal de l’Europe, « aux Gauthiers », at Gennetines, on the D288.
The GPS coordinates are:
- in DD:
  - Latitude : 46.63053447564956
  - Longitude : 3.3647292852401733
- in DMS:
  - Latitude : N 46° 37' 49.924"
  - Longitude : E 3° 21' 53.025"

Car Pooling
We invite you to visit this website: www.covoiturageauvergne.net. Just fill in the arrival or departure town: Gennetines (03400). This site is supported by the Regional Council Auvergne-Rhône-Alpes and the Allier Departmental Council.

Practical details
Identification
Everyone on the festival site or campsites or parking areas must wear a festival identification wrist bracelet. Entry will be monitored 24 hours a day, on all parts of the festival sites. You are requested to show the bracelet to the gate personnel each time you enter any part of the festival site and to any of the festival personnel on request.

Smokers
Be watchful, take care of others, do not smoke or vape near dance or meal places.

Instrument security
The “consigne” is a free safe-keeping service for instruments available from 9.30 am in the centre of the festival site. We recommend that you personalise the cases on the outside and put your name and address inside.

Bags
Do not leave any valuable item in your bags or clothes when you put them down to dance. Moreover, personalise them.

Children
The festival site is not designed for the particular needs of children. We therefore ask that all children under 12 should be accompanied by an adult at all times. Children under 18 remain the responsibility of their parents who will be expected to introduce them to the responsibilities of group living and to ensure that they respect the code of conduct of the Grand Bal de l’Europe.

First Aid Booth
It only provides first aid in case of medical emergencies. A list of pharmacies, doctors and hospitals is available. Bring along your first-aid kit.

Animals
We are not able to accommodate pets at the festival for reasons of noise, hygiene and responsibility. Animals are therefore prohibited on the festival site, the parking lots and the campsites.

Medical certificate and insurance
We suggest that you consult a doctor to know if you are able to practice dance during the festival.
We also strongly recommend that you take an insurance policy to cover the physical injuries you are exposed to during your activities.

Meetings during the Grand Bal de l’Europe
Consultative meetings Sunday 2nd August 2020 at 2.30 pm, to allow a maximum of members to take part in the democratic life of the association. On the agenda: first assessments of the 2020 festival, any improvements possible before the end of the festival, management and philosophy of the association.

Ordinary general meeting
Tuesday 29 December 2020 at 5.30 pm at “Les Gauthiers” in Gennetines (this is the notification to attend for the members).

On the agenda:
- Approval of the accounts for the previous accounting period (1st July 2019 to 30th June 2020);
- Activity programme for 2020-2021;
- Election of the members of the board of directors.

Bernard Coclet, président de l’association
**Tariffs**

- Our activities are only open to members of our association
- Membership fee for individuals aged 18 and over: 20 €
- Membership fee for individuals aged 10 to 17: 5 €
- Late registration fee (after July 16): 20 €, extra: before you come without having registered, check on our website that we are not sold out.

**Entrance to the festival for the day**

(ticket office open from 9 am to 11 pm)

- Full price: 21 € per day
- Reduced rate: 15 € per day (from 18 to 24 years old)
- Half-price: 10,5 € per day (from 10 to 17 years old)
- Friday 24 July from 9.30 pm: 10,5 € (5 € between 10 and 24 years old)
- Children under 10: free

Contact us for any question you might have about our prices.

**Refreshments**

- Meals: 9 €;
- Drink tickets: 1,20 €;
- Breakfast: 2 drink tickets.

**Useful information**

- Individual membership in the association can be done either by using the enclosed reply coupon (page 4 or 5) or by registering online. Membership always covers the festival year from 1 July to 30 June.
- We do not accept bank cards on site.
- We require proof of Identity from all participants before we are able to issue their entry ticket and their bracelet for entry onto the site, as well as for any pre-purchased meal and drink tickets.

Participants will also have to show the contents of their bags and to label them.

**Meals**

The association serves self-service meals on the festival site. The organisation offers choice, quantity and caters for vegetarians. You can bring your plates and cutlery.

Local traders keep regular hours on the campsite for those who wish to self-cater.

**Contact during the meetings**

- During the festival, we do not answer the phone. In order to get through, please send an email.
- We have an information point at the center of the site and all participants should check the news and messages several times per day.

**CONTACT**

- Post: Le Grand Bal de l’Europe
  « Les Gauthiers » 03400 GENNETINES FRANCE
- Phone: Please call during office hours: +33 4 70 42 14 42 on Tuesdays between 8 pm and 10 pm or on Wednesdays between 10 am and 4.30 pm (except in July and August)
- Website: www.genetines.org
- Email: grandbal@genetines.org
- Newsletter (subscription on the website)

**Car park and campsites**

Car park and campsites are both situated on private property and are only available to participants wearing a festival bracelet. They will be available from 23rd July and are free. The campsites are on farm fields, near the festival site, provided with hot showers, toilets, drinking water taps, sinks for washing, and electric outlets for razors and hairdryers only.

**Peace and Quiet and Safety on our campsites**

Please drive slowly and use your vehicle as little as possible. Do not sleep in the car park. Speak softly and pay attention to your neighbours.

Our campsites are big enough to accommodate all the participants. We do not reserve any spaces, you will need to find an available space when you arrive.

All of us must respect the legislation and the festival regulations, and the inhabitants of Genetines, where we should be as quiet as possible.

To ensure everyone’s safety, the following rules are fundamental and must be obeyed without discussion. We give on this page other lodging possibilities.

- Sealed-off areas must be kept free for use by security or emergency workers.
- There must be a reasonable space between tents in order to prevent the spreading of fires.
- No dangerous or toxic products should be stored in tents.
- Our campsites do not cater for smokers or gas cookers (we recommend extreme caution on the part of smokers and cookers - they should have a fire-extinguisher and have a stock of water nearby their tent).
- Avoid camping or parking areas under trees. If you are beneath a tree, you must evacuate the area during stormy weather. The Association’s insurance will not cover you if you have a problem.
- Please make sure your tent and other material are securely fixed.
- The grounds are bumpy and there is very little light or none. We recommend bringing your own torch and taking care when walking.
- The Association will not be held responsible if our rules are not respected (please check that you have personal insurance).

In case of litigation, only the courts of the district of Moulins are competent, and in case of difference the French text of this document will take precedence.

**Hotels, Bed & Breakfast, Campsites**

The tourist information centre of Moulins and its region can help you with accommodation or in discovering our region. Book your accommodation in good time.

- Office de Tourisme de Moulins et sa région
  11 rue François Péron - 03000 Moulins
  Tel : +33 4 70 44 14 14 - www.moulins-tourisme.com

**Gîtes de France**

Gîtes de France Relais for the Allier and Nièvre Departments can send you descriptions of houses or flats to rent:

- Gîtes de France Allier - www.gites-de-france-allier.com
  Tel : +33 4 82 75 68 55
- Gîtes de France Nièvre - www.gites-de-france-bourgogne.com/niere.html - Tel : +33 3 80 45 97 15
I will participate in the 24th, 25th, 26th, 27th, 28th, 29th, 30th, 31st July, 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th August.

Obligatory payment to validate your registration

We ask all participants for identification before giving them their tickets, wristbands and possibly their food and drink tickets to enter the meeting site. This registration must correspond to the identity (name, first name) on the ID.

Decreasing prices are for consecutive days. If you wish to add days to your registration after purchasing a decreasing price, the days added will be at the daily rate. Please note that you will not be able to move the reserved days once your registration has been validated.

No refund except in cases of force majeure. With this paper form, you have no possibility to transfer your registration to another person if you finally decide not to come: the transfer of registration is only possible through an online registration via the online registration site https://inscriptions.grandbal.org (link accessible from the home page of our site www.gennetines.org).

No refund for meals and drinks will be possible: we therefore advise you to take only a few drinks or meal tickets to start your stay serenely and then complete it according to your needs.

Means of payment:
- French Cheque (cheque debited in the days following receipt; registration validated subject to proper cashing of the cheque).
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For the children : I, the undersigned ................................................................. the legal guardian for the child named above, have taken note of the entire information leaflet and I authorise him/her to take part in the Grand Bal de l’Europe.

I shall accompany him/her. He/She will be under the responsibility of ................................................................. who will take any necessary educational/health related decisions. Phone in case of emergency : .................................................................
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