

WINDSOR ROZMARIN SLOVAK DANCERS



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In 1973, The Windsor Slovak Rozmarin Dancers was formed. Organized by Paul Kubani and John Kominar through the Canadian Slovak League, the group was composed of 35 young dancers, who were taught by Cathy Dobias. The first president was Marion Slavik. Since 1973, Rozmarin have been featured performers at the Canadian Slovak League Picnics in Ontario, they danced in all of the Slovak Youth Festivals and various International Folk Fairs. Rozmarin travelled to be part of the Folklore Festivals in Mt. Pocono in Pennsylvania, Podpolianske Slavnosti in Detva and Martin, Slovakia. Rozmarin have been working with the Multicultural Council of Windsor during the Freedom Festival activities, as well as concerts, Art in the Park and the Carrousel of Nations with their Slovak village.



V roku 1973 Paul Kubani a John Kominar z Kanadskej slovenskej ligy založili skupinu Rozmarin. Inštruktorkou bola Cathy Dobias a Riaditeľkou Marion Slavik. Skupina sa zúčastňovala na Slovenských festivaloch mládeže, na Piknikoch Kanadskej slovenskej ligy po celom Ontariu. V roku 1979 Rozmarin vystupoval na 4. Vročnom medzinárodnom folklornom festivale na Floride. Ďalej tu boli udalosti ako vikend Slovenskeho dedičstva v Detrote, Detroitsky festival "Riverfront" a pikniky spojené s Multikulturnou radou vo Windsore.

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Performances have been given over the years at the annual September Pilgrimage at the Slovak Jesuit House in Cambridge, Ontario and other churches and organizations, nursing homes and schools throughout the Windsor area. Over the years Rozmarin got financial help from parents, Local Branches of Canadian Slovak League, Slovak World Congress and First Slovak Catholic Union- Jednota.

Since its inception, Rozmarin has gone through a number of changes. At present, there are 22 dancers divided into two groups- under the direction of Boris Beno and choreographers Marianna Beno and Anna Dobos. Rozmarin continues to celebrate their heritage through the joyful presentation of music and dance. The last 30 years have been wonderful...and they look forward to many more!



V roku 1988 subor vystupil na Podpolianskych slavnostiach v Detve na Slovensku a v roku 1992 v Martine na Svetovom festivale mladeze. Rozmarin sa pravidelne zucastnoval na rocnych kulturnych podujatiach ako pute v Slovenskom jezuitnom dome v Cambridge, Ont., Medzinardonm detskom festivale v London, Ont., Dni Matiek a vianocnych slavnosti.

Pocas rokov Rozmarin bol financne podporovany rodicmi a lokalnymi skupinami Slovenskej Kanadskej Ligy, Svetoveho kongresu Slovakov a prvej Slovenskej Katolickej Unie- Jednota. V sucasnosti ma skupina 22 tanecnikov, rozdelenych do dvoch skupin, ktorych choreografkou je Marianna Beno a Anna Dobos, pod vedenim sucasneho prezidenta - Borisa Benu. Rozmarin uz 29 rokov tancuje, spieva a hlada pramene v kulturnom dedicstve nasich predkov. Nech aj dalsie roky su tvorive, vesele, umocnene detskim smiechom a radostou.