



# Festival of Wales 2001

AUGUST 29 - SEPTEMBER 3  
SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA

## From the Welsh Valleys to Silicon Valley

### Featuring the 70<sup>th</sup> Welsh National Gymanfa Ganu & A Celtic Musical Evening

#### WELCOME!

We take great pleasure in inviting you to participate in the Festival of Wales 2001, to be held in San Jose, California from August 29th through September 3rd, 2001.

Based on our location in Silicon Valley our theme says it all - "From the Welsh Valleys to Silicon Valley" - not only in recognition of the many thousands of Welsh born residents in this area, but as evidence of the wealth of business and entrepreneurial opportunities that exist between our nations.

As co-host of the Festival the Welsh American Society of Northern California aims to make this event a glorious celebration of the culture and traditions of Wales. Take a look inside and we're sure you'll think so too!

#### WHEN:

August 29th to September 3rd, 2001

#### WHERE:

San Jose, California, USA,  
The Capital of Silicon  
Valley, at the Fairmont  
Hotel & San Jose Civic  
Auditorium.



San Jose's Fairmont Hotel

#### FESTIVAL OF WALES 2001: HIGHLIGHTS

##### WALES - A LAND OF SONG

A musical program to suit all ages and tastes, from traditional to contemporary music, and featuring world renowned performers such as Côr Meibion Llanelli, the Llanelli Male Voice Choir.

##### A CELTIC MUSICAL EVENING

Spend a magical evening in the Santa Cruz mountains listening to the music of the Celtic nations and enjoying traditional Celtic dancing.

##### THE 70TH WELSH NATIONAL GYMANFA GANU

This four-day event provides you with an insight into the culture and traditions of Wales. Program highlights include a Noson Lawen, Grand Banquet, Grand Concert, Eisteddfod, a Church service and Gymanfa Ganu.

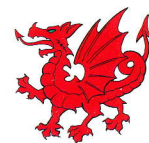
##### WALES - A LAND RICH IN HISTORY & CULTURE

During the day visit the Marketplace and see the wide range of Celtic books, music and crafts available for purchase. Attend seminars on the history and culture of Wales and learn about the influence of the Welsh in founding North America. Gain useful information about the resources available on genealogy, Welsh language courses and more.

#### FIND OUT MORE ABOUT THE Festival of Wales 2001

WEB: [WWW.WALESFEST2001.ORG](http://WWW.WALESFEST2001.ORG)

EMAIL: [INFO-REQUEST@WALESFEST2001.ORG](mailto:INFO-REQUEST@WALESFEST2001.ORG)



## FESTIVAL ATTENDEES CAN LOOK FORWARD TO

- ◆ Numerous programs about Wales, its heritage and its influence on the cultures of the United States and Canada.
- ◆ Performances by musical and dancing talent that Wales is renowned for worldwide.
- ◆ An insight into the role of Wales in today's business world.
- ◆ Information about the best places to visit in Wales.
- ◆ Participating in the many communal singing events.
- ◆ Tours of the Bay Area, including San Francisco and Monterey.
- ◆ Renewing old acquaintances and making new friends.

## FESTIVAL OF WALES 2001 SCHEDULE

### AUGUST 29

A Celtic Musical Evening in the Santa Cruz Mountains

### AUGUST 30 - SEPTEMBER 3

The 70th Welsh National Gymanfa Ganu at the Fairmont Hotel & San Jose Civic Auditorium

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| <b>AUGUST 30</b>   | Registration<br>Opening Ceremony<br>Marketplace<br>Noson Lawen |
| <b>AUGUST 31</b>   | Seminars<br>Eisteddfod<br>Marketplace<br>Grand Banquet         |
| <b>SEPTEMBER 1</b> | Marketplace<br>Seminars<br>Grand Concert                       |
| <b>SEPTEMBER 2</b> | Church Service &<br>Gymanfa Ganu<br>Closing Ceremony           |
| <b>SEPTEMBER 3</b> | Tours  |



Fairmont Hotel, San Jose



San Jose Civic Auditorium

*Tours and individual activities will be arranged throughout the Festival*

## CO-HOSTS OF THE FESTIVAL OF WALES 2001

**WNGGA:** Established in 1929, the aim of the Welsh National Gymanfa Ganu Association is to preserve, develop and promote the religious and cultural heritage of Wales, including the annual Welsh National Gymanfa Ganu event.



**WASNC:** The Welsh American Society of Northern California is a non-profit organization incorporated in Northern California for the purpose of promoting Wales, its history, culture and heritage.

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The Welsh American Society of Northern California

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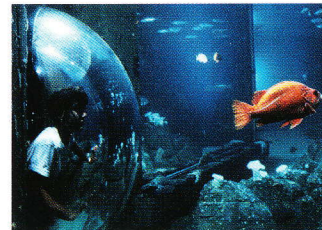
Even the mean temperature is nice in San Jose. San Jose has the best of Northern California's climate – warm days and cool nights. In late August and early September you can expect temperatures in the upper 70s.

## SAN JOSE - THE CAPITAL OF SILICON VALLEY

Whether you see it as historic or high-tech – or both – San Jose is also one of America's biggest cities. San Jose boasts fine dining, theme parks, wineries, shopping, parks, gardens and world-class performing arts – musical and repertory theatre, ballet, symphony.

## CENTRAL TO KEY TOURIST AREAS

Situated just 1 hour's drive from San Francisco, 2 hours from the Napa Valley wine country, 45 minutes from Santa Cruz and 1 hour from Monterey, San Jose's central location makes day trips very convenient.



Monterey Bay Aquarium

Many tours are available throughout the San Francisco and Bay Area, and will be offered throughout the Festival of Wales 2001, or privately, by contacting the San Jose Convention & Visitor's Bureau concierge service.

## TRAVEL

Getting to San Jose is a breeze by train, plane or automobile. And moving throughout the city is even easier, with a walkable downtown, convenient public transportation, and a host of private transportation and tour options.

### AIRPORT INFORMATION BOOTHS:

Information booths located in each airport terminal are staffed with volunteers who will assist visitors with questions upon arrival. They will also provide directions, maps and brochures.

### AIRPORT FLYER:

A free airport shuttle service is available from the San Jose International Airport to downtown San Jose. Please call 408-321-2300 for further details.

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Hotel, Santa Cruz



Golden Gate Bridge, San Francisco



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## ACCOMMODATION

The Festival of Wales 2001 headquarters will be at the San Jose Fairmont Hotel, 1000 Market Street, San Jose, CA 95113, USA.

Tel: [REDACTED]  
Fax: [REDACTED]  
Toll Free: [REDACTED]  
Web: www.[REDACTED].com

## ALTERNATIVE ACCOMMODATION:

If you would like to make reservations at other hotels near to the Fairmont Hotel the San Jose Visitors and Convention Bureau provide a concierge service covering hotel accommodation, dinner reservations, tourist itinerary and more. Simply call 1-800-SAN-JOSE or email the City's concierge at [concierge@sanjose.org](mailto:concierge@sanjose.org) and mention that you are attending the Festival of Wales 2001.

## WALES - A LAND RICH IN HISTORY & CULTURE

Wales is a Celtic nation with a sense of history and a passion for life that are easy to identify and even easier to embrace. The Festival program provides you with the opportunity to enjoy the many wonderful aspects of Welsh culture and traditions.

## SEMINARS:

You will have the opportunity to attend a wide range of seminars on the history and culture of Wales, learn about the influence of the Welsh in founding North America and gain useful information about the resources available on genealogical research, Welsh language courses and much more.

## MARKETPLACE:

This provides the opportunity for you to see the wide range of Welsh and Celtic artifacts, books, music and crafts on sale.

## EVENTS CELEBRATING WELSH TRADITIONS

- Noson Lawen
- Grand Banquet
- Eisteddfod
- Grand Concert
- Church Service & Gymanfa Ganu



Traditional Welsh Costume

And to gain an insight into Welsh Culture today:

## WELSH INFLUENCE IN NORTH AMERICA

Find out about the impact of the Welsh in North America and connect with fellow Welsh, Welsh-American and Welsh-Canadian born families.

## WALES IN THE MILLENNIUM

- Government & Business
- Media & Entertainment
- Universities, Libraries & Museums
- Sport & Leisure



Millennium Stadium, Cardiff, Wales

## WALES - A LAND OF SONG

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Llanelli Male Voice Choir

## A CELTIC MUSICAL EVENING

The Festival of Wales 2001 kicks off with a magical evening in the Santa Cruz mountains with a musical program celebrating the Celtic nations and traditional Celtic dancing.

## THE 70TH WELSH NATIONAL GYMANFA GANU

Begun in 1929, this annual event in North America celebrates Welsh culture and heritage. Over the years it has evolved into a four-day event taking place over the Labor Day weekend and is attended by residents from throughout the USA, Canada and others worldwide. In 2001 the 70th Welsh National Gymanfa Ganu will be co-hosted by the WNGGA and WASNC.



Welsh Harp



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**FURTHER INFORMATION:**

If you wish to receive further information about the Festival of Wales 2001 please complete the form below.

Mail: Festival of Wales [redacted] Kinsley Street, Suite 6,  
Santa Cruz CA 95062, USA.

Fax: [redacted] Call: [redacted]

Email: info-request@walesfest2001.org

Web: www.walesfest2001.org

## Inquiry Form

*Please complete and return this form to receive the full Festival Program and Registration Form.  
Please write in CAPS*

**NAME:**

(Mr., Mrs., Ms, Dr.) First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**MAILING ADDRESS:**

Street: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip / PostCode: \_\_\_\_\_ Country: \_\_\_\_\_

Tel: \_\_\_\_\_ (incl. area code) Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Web Site: \_\_\_\_\_

**AGE CATEGORY:**  Under-20  21-40  41-60  61-plus  
(Optional)

Are you a member of WNGGA?  No  Yes - If yes, which category:  Life  Annual

Are you a member of WASNC?  No  Yes

Are you a member of any other Celtic or cultural associations?  No  Yes

If yes, which ones: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you attended a Welsh National Gymanfa Ganu Festival before in North America?

No  Yes - If yes how many: \_\_\_\_\_

How did you hear about the Festival of Wales 2001?  
\_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE SEND ME FURTHER INFORMATION ABOUT:**

- Program and Registration information
- Exhibitor Opportunities in the Marketplace
- Sponsorship and Advertising Opportunities
- Membership in Welsh American Society of Northern California (WASNC)
- Membership in Welsh National Gymanfa Ganu Association (WNGGA)
- All future mailings about the Festival of Wales 2001

I prefer information to be sent by:  Mail  FAX  Email

**See you at the  
Festival of Wales 2001.**



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A Celebration of  
Choral Music at the  
San Jose Civic Auditorium

Saturday, September 1, 7:00 p.m.

## The Llanelli Male Voice Choir from Wales



A Grand Concert featuring this world famous choir, supported by popular Celtic musicians.

Tickets: Adults \$35; Students \$25.

Group discounts are available for 10+ tickets. Adults \$30; Students \$20.

To order tickets, call the Festival Box Office at [REDACTED]

Sunday, September 2, 2:30 & 7:00 p.m. (different programs)

## Hymn Sing-Along

All are invited to the 3000 seat Civic Auditorium to either listen or join the singing in this glorious tradition of Wales.

Tickets: \$10. Valid for entry to both sessions.

To order tickets, call the Festival Box Office at [REDACTED].



### For further information

Call: [REDACTED] • Email: [REDACTED] • Visit the web: [REDACTED]



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*Dear Friend of the Welsh National Gymanfa Ganu,*

We have great pleasure in inviting you to participate in the Festival of Wales 2001, taking place in San Jose, California from August 29th through September 3rd 2001.

The key event will be the four-day **70th Annual Welsh National Gymanfa Ganu** which has traditionally taken place over Labor Day weekend in North America. To convey the more contemporary aspects of Wales today WASNC are also holding a Celtic Musical Evening featuring performances by Mary Black, Carreg Lafar and Robin Huw Bowen - a concert program that will provide the audience with a rich representation of contemporary renditions of traditional Celtic music. Together these events provide a glorious celebration of Wales and its culture and traditions. We hope you think so too!

As co-hosts the Welsh National Gymanfa Ganu Association, and the Welsh American Society of Northern California aim to make this event a landmark occasion celebrating Welsh culture and heritage in North America and in California. Our mission is to preserve, develop and promote all aspects of our Welsh heritage, to promote goodwill, to enhance the image of Wales in North America, and to emphasize both the traditional cultural heritage of Wales and its current role in the modern world.

We hope that you will take advantage of this unique opportunity and join us in making the Festival of Wales 2001 a resounding success. We thank you for your consideration.

**Diolch Yn Fawr!**

*Idris Evans  
President  
Welsh American Society  
of Northern California*

*Alan Upshall  
President  
Welsh National  
Gymanfa Ganu Association*

**REGISTER BY AUGUST 1<sup>st</sup> 2001  
AND YOU WILL BE ENTERED  
INTO THE DRAWING TO  
WIN A DREAM HOLIDAY  
FOR TWO TO WALES**

*Courtesy of the Wales Tourist Board  
Further details are in the enclosed Registration Brochure*

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>Wales is set to take the USA by storm later this month when a week-long promotion of Wales, Welsh industry and Welsh culture, is launched in California (running from 28 August to 5 September).  
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>The event will include a high-profile campaign to developing new investment and business opportunities between Wales and California led by Assembly First Minister Rhodri Morgan. The campaign will target the Silicone Valley, home to the world's leading high-tech industries, before moving on to Los Angeles, joined by a trade mission of 20 Welsh companies.  
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>The 'Wales in California' showcase is being launched to co-incide with one of the largest recent gatherings of the Welsh community in North America - The Festival of Wales 2001 and the 70th Welsh National Gymanfa Ganu.  
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>Thousands of American and Canadian Welsh are expected to converge on San Jose, the capital of Silicon Valley, for the Festival which is held over the USA's Labor Day holiday weekend.  
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>This major cultural gathering of the Welsh will be used as a platform for the National Assembly and its partner agencies, the Welsh Development Agency, the Wales Tourist Board and Wales Arts International, to promote a fresh and dynamic image of the modern Wales and to raise awareness of Wales in the USA.  
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>In a major new initiative, a Wales World Nation Pavilion will be staged at the San Jose Arts Festival throughout the weekend, bringing together the best 'made in Wales' products - including foods, crafts, music and tourism

promotion - to some 100,000 daily American visitors. The Festival will also see the international launch of the 'Wales World Nation' brand and website.

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>First Minister Rhodri Morgan said: "The Wales in California event is an ambitious and exciting new project which will project a modern and fresh image of Wales to the people of America and Canada.

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>"The Festival of Wales is a major celebration of Welsh heritage and this coming together of the American Welsh in San Jose is sure to bring out the 'hiraeth' for Wales. It is also a chance for us to look forward and to promote our future plans for Wales and to capitalise on the links that Wales has with the people of North America.

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>"This is a very important opportunity to bring Wales to the centre of the world stage and I am proud to be participating."

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>Those who will be taking part in the Wales World Nation Pavilion include the Welsh Development Agency's Food Directorate, the Wales Tourist Board and Techniquest Science Discovery Centre. Live Music is provided by Carreg Lafar and the Charlie Barber Band, interactive craft demonstrations from Barbara Lock and Sue Hiley Silks, and Street theatre provided by Green Ginger.

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>Some of the other Welsh events taking place in San Jose during the Festival of Wales 2001 include a Celtic Music Evening featuring Welsh harpist Robin Huw Bowen and folk group Carreg Lafar and dance group Parti Dawns Lan y Mor. There will also be a Grand Banquet a Noson Lawen and a concert headlined by Llanelli male voice choir.

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