



1812-2012

FORT ROSS
BICENTENNIAL
WEEKEND

July 28 & 29, 2012



JULY 28 SATURDAY

9:30 - 7:00

TIME	① FORT	② MAIN STAGE	③ CALL GARDEN STAGE
9:00	Chapel Service		
10:45		Welcome by MC Robin Joy Wellman	
11:15		Kedry	
11:45	Blessing of Bells	Nikolai Massenkoff	
12:00	Procession		Georgia Churchill
12:30		Slavyanka	
12:45			Quiet Nights
1:00	Scenarios Act 1		
1:15		Cascada de Flores	
1:30	Historic Firearms		Sts. Peter & Paul Choir
2:00	Kedry	Pyatnitsky	
2:15			Quiet Nights
2:30	Slavyanka (Chapel)		
2:45		Limpopo	
3:00	Scenarios Act 2		
3:15			Russian Romance
3:30	Kedry	Chang's Dancers	
4:00			Cascada de Flores
4:15	Scenarios Act 3	Juliana & PAVA	
4:30			
4:45	Historic Firearms		Russian Romance
5:00		Limpopo	
6:00		Pyatnitsky	

MORE EVENTS SATURDAY & SUNDAY

Kashaya Trail Walk (Saturday 10:30 and 2:30) starting at Call Picnic Area Orchard (Saturday and Sunday 11-1)

Call House Museum (Saturday 12-4; Sunday 11-3)

Blessing of Kayaks at Sandy Cove (Saturday 12:15)

Cemetery Service (Saturday 12:30)

Children's Activities at the well (Saturday 12:30; Sunday 1:30)

Visitor Center Auditorium:

Reconstructing the "Old Magazin" by Glenn Farris (Sunday 12:30)

"People of the Seal" film (Sunday 10:15)

Book-signing: *The Navigator's Wife*, Jane Galer (Sunday 12:00)

JULY 29 SUNDAY

10:00 - 4:30

TIME	① FORT	② MAIN STAGE	③ CALL GARDEN STAGE
10:00			
11:00	Scenarios Act 1		
11:15			Georgia Churchill
11:30	Historic Firearms		
12:00	Kedry	Sunday Welcome	Quiet Nights
12:15		Cossack Nat'l Union	
12:30	Scenarios Act 2		
12:45			Laurie Lippin
1:00	Georgia Churchill	Pyatnitsky	
1:15			
1:30			Irkutsk-Fort Ross Club
1:45	Puppet Show &	Sivka Burka	
2:00	Games with Kedry		
2:15			Jim Ocean
2:30	Scenarios Act 3	Quiet Nights	
2:45			
3:00	Historic Firearms		
3:30		Limpopo	

ALL DAY ACIVITIES SATURDAY & SUNDAY

- ③ **Call Picnic Area:** Call Garden Stage and Russian food vendor **Red Tavern**
- ④ **Visitor Center:** Kashaya Pomo (Saturday only); Museum and Gift Store; Marketplace, Coffee/Tea Pastries
- ⑤ **Ocean Terrace:** Hudson Bay Company & Californio Encampments; Pribilof Islanders; Otter and marine mammal interpretation; Exhibit tent, VIP tent
- ⑥ **Sandy Cove:** Kayaks/Baidarkas

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1 FORT COMPOUND

Chapel Service & Blessing of Bells: Join clergy and faithful of St. Nicholas Russian Orthodox Patriarchal Cathedral of San Francisco and other parishes for hierarchical liturgy at our Holy Trinity-St. Nicholas Chapel, blessing of its new bells, of baidarkas, and Commemoration of the Dead at the cemetery – by His Eminence Archbishop Justinian of Naro-Fominsk, Administrator Of The Patriarchal Parishes in the USA.



“A Day in the Life of Settlement Ross”: Step into the shoes of those living and working at Fort Ross in 1840. See the world through the eyes of the last commander Alexander Rotchev, his wife Yelena Rotcheva and family, Russian naturalist Ilya Voznesensky, visiting Naval Captain Voevodski and French diplomat Duflot de Mofras, promyshlenki, craftsmen, their wives and others. Our dedicated cast of volunteers will bring this history to life.

Slavyanka Mens Russian Chorus: Slavyanka is the name that the early Russian settlers gave to the river that is today known as the Russian River. The Slavyanka Male Chorus, formed thirty three years ago, has faithfully offered Fort Ross liturgical and folk concerts many a year. Join Slavyanka at the Main Stage Saturday morning, in the chapel Saturday afternoon.

Kedry: Russian House Kedry is made up of families who live in Silicon Valley with the goal to create a rich cultural and linguistic environment for the Russian community and beyond. Kedry organizes interactive seasonal celebrations based on Russian village traditions as well as smaller events including art and craft classes and workshops for children and parents, as well as participation in historical reenactments.



Interpretive Food: What's Cooking? We will feature foods from three cultures that were prominent at Fort Ross – Alaskan Native, California Native, and Russian. We will cook all dishes over an open fire using techniques our foremothers would find familiar. Stop by – we look forward to your questions!



Craftspeople with Hands-on crafts:

Settlement Ross was one of the first industrial centers of California, and many skilled craftspeople were hard at work here, building California's first ships, windmill, clay bricks, barrels, and much more. Today you can watch a blacksmith, tinsmith, weaver, spinner, felt maker, laundress, soap maker, carpenter, broom maker and many others busily preparing their wares, perhaps to trade with the Spanish, Mexicans or Bostonians. Several of the crafts allow you to join the fun—learn to make your own rope, mini-basket, or candle.

Militia Witness the militia run through their paces – and prepare yourself for the cannon firing!

Children's Activities: Join in old-world games with Lindsey Elliott, listen to storytelling by Georgia Churchill, watch a puppet show, or gather beads from each participating booth to make a special Fort Ross necklace.



Magazin/Warehouse: The Magazin, or fur warehouse, is the latest building to be reconstructed within the fort walls. Warehouses at Ross stored fur bales ready for shipment, and served as a general company store for employees. The upper floors may have served as a barracks for company employees.

Construction of Ceremonial Sakha Post (“Sergei”): Between St. Petersburg and New Archangel (Sitka) lies the vast expanses of Siberia. Today we welcome a delegation from Yakutsk of the Saxa Republic of the Russian Federation, who, in honor of their ancestors who visited Fort Ross two centuries ago, will construct a ceremonial carved wooden post or “sergei,” reminiscent of a horse hitching post.

Irkutsk-Fort Ross Club: The city of Irkutsk in Siberia serves as a crossroads between East and West and was the administrative center for the Russian American Company for many a year. Now the Irkutsk-Fort Ross Club keeps alive this legacy with active educational programs for local children.

2 MAIN STAGE



Thanks to the Renova Fort Ross Foundation and the Ministry of Culture of the Russian Federation, the **Pyatnitsky Russian Folk Choir**, one of the most famous choral ensembles in the world, will perform traditional folk songs and dance from across Russia.

Limpopo: Throw in a little bit of blues and more than a little bit of jazz, put it in the blender and sprinkle on some comedy and you have one of the most entertaining Russian-American groups.



Cossack National Union: Known for their love of freedom and independence, this Cossack group will feature traditional dance, sword dance and self-defense demonstration.

Cascada de Flores: With grace and sensitivity, the music and dance of Cascada de Flores is rooted in the folkloric traditions of Mexico, the southern neighbor of Russia here in 1812 California with whom the Russians were actively trading.

Seattle vocal ensemble **Juliana & PAVA** performs ancient Russian folk songs a capella and with authentic folk instruments, such as the Russian hurdy-gurdy, balalaika, various flutes.



Sivka Burka (name of a mustang from an old fairy tale) is a Russian Cossack children's choir. Most of the children performing were born in America, but through weekly practice, they have learned the traditions that they now take to the stage. Today they perform Vladimir Lazarev's lyrics in the song *Fort Ross!*

Chang's Dancers: Chang's International Folk Dancers of San Francisco, dancing the Russian Horovods, social dances of Russia.

Nikolai Massenkoff: Sing along with Nikolai Massenkoff and friends the most beloved "Songs of Mother Russia plus dances and balalaika music.

CALL GARDEN & STAGE

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Quiet Nights: Pianist Carol Wilcoxson and percussionist Steve Miller will perform favorite Russian melodies.

Georgia Churchill has been telling oral traditional tales from many cultures for over 30 years. She hunts for stories and brings them to life with her voice, just as storytelling has been done for generations. Here at Fort Ross she tells Russian tales as well as Pomo Indian, Eskimo, & Mexican stories.

Sts. Peter and Paul Kid's Choir: A children's choir of the local Saints Peter and Paul Orthodox Church of Santa Rosa.

Russian Romance: Favorite Russian romantic songs, including from Yuno & Avos, plus ballroom dances. With Olga Vasiliev.

Kashaya Trail Walk: 10:30 and 2:30 Saturday. 60+ minute guided walks beginning at Call Garden Picnic Area. Across time many different people have called Fort Ross their home. Join us on a tour through the rich history and heritage of Metini, the ancestral homeland of the Kashaya Pomo, and explore the legacy of the multi-ethnic settlement of Ross.

Food Vendor: Red Tavern Russian food! Come and get it!

VISITOR CENTER

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Kashaya Pomo: (Saturday only) The rich history of Fort Ross begins with the Native Californian Kashaya Pomo who have inhabited this area for centuries. Local Kashaya descendants share their traditional language and culture.

Museum and Gift Shop; Marketplace; USPS Ghost Post Office; Coffee/Tea & Pastries: Come visit the museum and the gift shop, browse the wide range of books on cultural and natural history, peruse the bicentennial merchandise. Marketplace offers unique items by local artists and craftspeople.

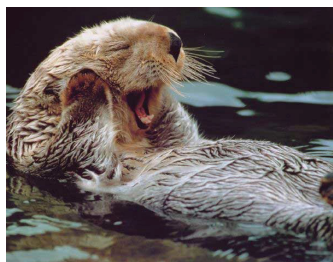
5 OCEAN TERRACE



Hudson Bay Company Encampment:

The Hudson's Bay Bonaventure Brigade filed past Fort Ross in 1833 and camped 5 miles north near Stillwater cove. Today we will bring them closer to the fort to share their story.

Californios Encampment: The Spanish and later Mexican influences were strong with the Russian American Company and Colony Ross. One of the main reasons for settling in this location was to encourage trade relations. We welcome the contingent of Spanish/ Mexican neighbors to Colony Ross.



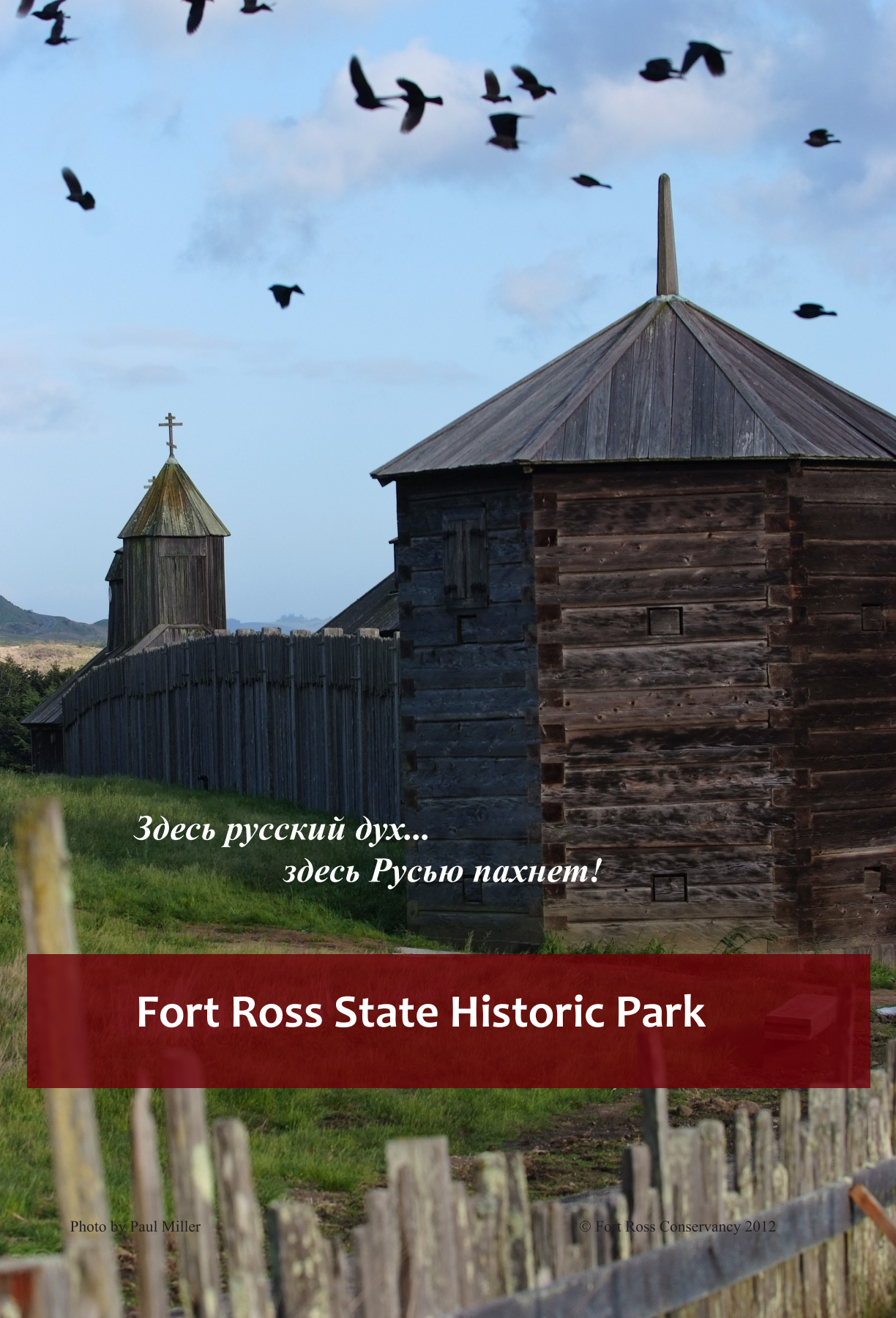
Otter and Marine Mammal Interpretation:

Volunteers from both the Monterey Bay Aquarium's Sea Otter Research and Conservation (SORAC) program and the Marine Mammal Center join us to tell the story of the otter and fur seal who once thrived here and who we hope return to our coast in the future.

6 SANDY COVE

Explore the beach and learn about Native Alaskan baidarkas (kayaks).



A photograph of a historic wooden fortification at Fort Ross State Historic Park. In the foreground, a rustic wooden fence made of vertical posts and horizontal rails is visible. Behind it, a large, dark wooden building with a steep, shingled roof and a tall, thin spire stands prominently. To the left, another smaller wooden structure with a cross on its roof is partially visible. The sky is filled with numerous birds in flight, and the overall scene is set against a backdrop of rolling hills and a clear sky.

*Здесь русский дух...
здесь Русью пахнет!*

Fort Ross State Historic Park