

La Paranza del Geco (IT)

It's the most important Artistic Company of North Italy, active in the representation and preservation of traditional folk music and dance from Southern Italy: a unique artistic laboratory, nowadays considered a solid point of reference in Turin, active in Italy and abroad since 1999.

Founded by Simone Campa, the current artistic director and musician of the company, today it counts among its ranks thirty artists including musicians, singers, percussionists, actors, dancers, performers and street artists. It reflects the mood of the most exciting festivals of the South, ensuring performance of high cultural value, thanks to a deep research work, and great energy and dynamic force, due to the professional experience of the members in the context of music and dance.

The artistic production of the Paranza del Geco is the result of a continuous research and study of Southern Italy folk traditions and it is characterized by experimentation and a strong combination of different styles and expressions related to the diverse forms of entertainment and performances, both contemporary and traditional ones. The ensemble offers very different artistic contexts: from theater to ethnic music festivals, folk and world music, from patronal folk festival to festival buskers and international street theater, always managing to maintain the characteristic of a high level of spontaneity and artistic impact and directly involving the audience. All the performances of this colorful ensemble, spreading in the Alps the sounds of pizzica, tarantella, tammurriata & co., faithfully recreate the atmosphere of the most exciting festivals of South Italy, combining the cultural value of research to the energy and dynamic force of high level performances. An unique opportunity to come into contact with an old culture which is a solid component of our cultural background.

- **Mediterranean Folk- Love and Fun Songs from South Italy**
- **Mediterranean Folk: Dancing Songs from South Italy**



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