

# ¡CARNIVAL SANTA FE!

## Masquerade Brigade Information

**Q: What is a Masquerade Brigade?**

**A:** The Masquerade Brigade is similar to a New Orleans krewe. ¡Carnaval Santa Fe! masquerade brigades are composed of people in costume who walk through the streets, go out for lunch or dinner, and attend any of the Santa Fe social (or non!) events while dressed in costume. The ¡Carnaval Santa Fe! masquerade brigades will assemble for the first time of the year on Thursday, November 11th at 1:11 p.m. on the Santa Fe Plaza to kick off ¡Carnaval Santa Fe! We encourage ongoing participation in all Santa Fe winter events with your brigade, as a brigade and in costume.



**Q: Who can join a Masquerade Brigade?**

**A:** Everybody is encouraged to join. All ages! This is a community-wide festival. The "Mardi Gras" costume party on Saturday, February 5th, 2005 at MOIFA is the only event restricted to ages 21 and up.

**Q: How do I join a Masquerade Brigade?**

**A:** Many ways! **1)** You can put together a group of at least eight people who will attend events in costume, and have the group pick a name and a costume theme, motto, colors, etc., or **2)** You can join or even head one of the MOIFA CARNAVAL! exhibit selected cities (Basel, New Orleans, etc.) which are always-open brigades. **3)** If you see a brigade that you like on the brigades page, feel free to email that brigade's commander and ask about joining!

**E-mail us: [BrigadeMaster@CarnavalSantaFe.com](mailto:BrigadeMaster@CarnavalSantaFe.com)** with the name of your groups contact person and an e-mail contact address for your group. If you are unaffiliated and want to join one of the MOIFA venue groups, send an e-mail with the subject "I want to join!" **Don't have email? Call us at 505-995-0721**

**Q: What kind of costume should I wear?**

**A:** The costume theme of your group is up to you. However, remember that this community celebration kicks off as a WINTER festival and we want to keep warm! Think about something you can come out in (warm clothes underneath, hats, etc.) from November through February.



**THURSDAY NOV 11 Masquerade Brigades** meet for lunch then hit the Santa Fe Plaza from 1 pm - 3 pm. Brigades kick off the Carnival season with costumes and music. Information and sign-up booth for anyone wanting to get involved in other Masquerade Brigade events.

**NOV, DEC, JAN Brigade Gatherings** continue, both organized and spontaneous throughout November, December and January all around Santa Fe - get together and coordinate online at our website forum: [www.carnavalsantafe.com](http://www.carnavalsantafe.com) or call us at 995-0721



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