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FLORIDA RENAISSANCE FESTIVAL TURNS BACK
THE HOURGLASS TO THE 16TH CENTURY

Deerfield Beach show celebrates 18th year in South Florida

Deerfield Beach, FL – November 00, 2009 – The King, Queen and their royal court of characters return for their 18th year at the Florida Renaissance Festival in Deerfield Beach. Seen by more than one million visitors, the Florida Renaissance Festival opens Saturday, February 13th at Quiet Waters Park in Deerfield Beach for five themed weekends of family fun that runs through March 14th. The 16th Century production features more than 100 costumed performers, 12 stages with continuous entertainment and more than 20 stage acts from around the world.

“Every year during early February, Deerfield Beach steps back in time,” said Bobby Rodriguez, executive producer of the Florida Renaissance Festival. “The realm of fantasy becomes a reality for many of our show goers and every year we introduce new entertainment that has them coming back for more.”

This year’s five themed weekends will include:

- **Romance Weekend – Days and Knights of Wine and Roses - Feb 13, 14 & 15**
- **Pet’s Weekend – Medieval Menagerie - Feb 20 & 21**
- **Pirates Weekend – Pillage of the Village - Feb 27 & 28**

- **Wenches Weekend – Bodacious Bodices - March 6 & 7**
- **Celtic Weekend – Kiss the Blarney Stone - Mar 13 & 14**

During the five themed weekends, guests will enjoy jousting tournaments three times a day, hearty food and human powered rides and games for children that include the World's Largest Rocking Horse, Giant Chess, Barrel Rides, and games of strength and skill. The festival features mystical characters, live entertainment, food and over 100 artisans.

New and exciting acts combine with old favorites to delight guests throughout the festival. These include: The Rogues, a high-energy Celtic music based quartet that has played at various Renaissance and Victorian festivals throughout the U.S. and Iris & Rose, a comedic musical duo of sisters that will have their audiences literally in stitches with their non-traditional fun performances.

The festivities will feature historical reenactments, sword fights, magical illusions and an abundance of authentic fare from freshly made kettle corn to roasted giant turkey legs, which can be washed down with a swig of mead or ale.

The Florida Renaissance Festival is produced by the National, award winning Bobby Rodriguez Productions and strives to create an entertaining and cultural opportunity by making Renaissance history come to life for both children and adults. The sponsors of the Florida Renaissance Festival include Warsteiner Beer, Community Bank of Broward, Pepsi, Forum Publishing Group, Magner's Irish Cider, Chaucer's Mead and Comcast. The event is hosted by Broward County Parks and Recreation Department.

The Florida Renaissance Festival at Deerfield Beach's Quiet Waters Park will be open weekends from 10 a.m. to sunset (including, Monday Feb 15, President's Day). Prices range from \$20.00 for adults and \$7 for children ages six to 11 years old. Children under six are free. Special season pass tickets are \$50. Pre-show discount tickets are available online and at all Walgreen's Corner Box Office locations.

The Florida Renaissance Festival in Deerfield Beach has been seen by more than one million people in South Florida. This 16th Century production features more than 100 costumed performers, 12 stages with continuous entertainment and 20 stage acts from around the world. For additional information, visit: www.ren-fest.com, follow us on Twitter: [@flarenfest](https://twitter.com/flarenfest) or find us on Facebook: [The Florida Renaissance Festival](https://www.facebook.com/TheFloridaRenaissanceFestival). Call 954-776-1642.

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