

SAMBA

Rio

Illustration by Robin Zingone

An unforgettable night that will take you to the heart of Rio at Carnivale time!

St. Joseph Parish Center
Saturday, February 14
8:00 to 11:00 PM
Donation: \$35 in advance,
\$45 at the door.

Tickets: the Hammered Edge in
Chester, Feast in Deep River,
Aegean Treasures in Essex,
K-C's in Old Saybrook, The
Bowerbird in Old Lyme

Proceeds benefit
(BRAYCE) the
Brazilian and American
Youth Cultural Exchange

Party with great Brazilian
music, dance and food.

Enjoy a cash bar; prizes for best
masks, costumes and dancing;
silent auction; framed photo
portraits of you and yours in
regalia; and a drawing for a
hand-crafted headdress!

Get in the spirit! Attend
mask and headdress
workshops and Samba
dance classes in the days
before *Samba Rio*. For
schedules and other info,
visit www.brayce.org





GET READY FOR SAMBA Rio!

In Brazil, Carnivale is more than an event – it's a process! So it is with Samba Rio, and you can join the pre-event fun by participating in these activities in the days leading up to the dance!

MAKE YOUR OWN MASK OR HEADDRESS!

Two Workshops at the Hammered Edge Studio & Gallery in Chester:

- 1) Saturday afternoon, Feb 7, 4:00 to 6:00 pm
- 2) Saturday evening, Feb 7, 7:00 to 9:00 pm

Francine Curto and Kathyne Wright will offer ideas, experience and practical help to adults and young people who want to create or decorate their own mask or headdress for the Samba Rio dance – or just for fun! Mask and headdress forms and other basic supplies such as paints, and sequins will be available, but *you are encouraged to bring whatever exotic materials you want to use!*

Donation to benefit BRAYCE: \$15 for the first mask/headdress, \$10 each additional.

Advance sign-up is required. Contact Kathyne Wright at 860-526-1654 or visit the Hammered Edge at 14 Main Street, Chester.

ENTER A DRAWING FOR A CHANCE TO WIN A HEADDRESS!

Two gloriously decorated, Carnival-inspired headdresses, one for a lady, one for a gentleman, have been created by Kathyne Wright for this year's Samba Rio dance. The drawing will take place early in the evening, so that they can be worn during the event.

Suggested donation of \$5.00 per chance.

View headdresses and submit entries prior to Samba Rio at the Hammered Edge Studio & Gallery, 14 Main Street, Chester.

LEARN THE STEPS!

Three Samba Dance Classes at The Chester Meeting House:

- 1) Tuesday, Feb 3 at 7:45 pm (Ballroom-Style, with Dick and Barbara Malinsky)
- 2) Sunday, Feb 8 at 1:00 pm (Carnivale-Style, with Elizabeth and Carolina Read)
- 3) Tuesday, Feb 10 at 7:45 pm (Ballroom-Style, with Dick and Barbara Malinsky)

The Chester Park & Recreation Ballroom Dance program will sponsor dance instruction in the basic steps that move crowds through the streets of Rio at Carnivale time and enliven social occasions throughout all of Brazil, all the time. Classes will be approximately one hour in length, and a variety of Samba steps and styles will be covered. Comfortable clothing and flexible shoes, not sneakers, are recommended.

Donation to benefit BRAYCE: \$10 per class.

To pre-register, please email ParkRecBallroom@gmail.com, or take your chances and come 15 minutes early to class.

RENT AN AMAZING GOODSPEED COSTUME!

The Goodspeed Theater is offering a 20% discount on rentals from their extensive and eclectic costume inventory. **Appointments must be scheduled prior to Monday, Feb 2.** For contact and inventory information, visit www.goodspeed.org/rentals.

All proceeds benefit BRAYCE (Brazilian and American Youth Cultural Exchange), a nonprofit based in Chester. Learn more by visiting www.brayce.org