

CALENDAR – WINTER 2009

February 14 - 15

Third Annual Southwest Blacksmith Conference -- The Southwest Artists Blacksmith Association (SWABA) and Arizona Artists Blacksmiths Association (AABA) is holding a regional conference February 14-15 2009 in Las Cruces, New Mexico at the New Mexico Farm and Ranch Heritage Museum. For information see the SWABA Website <http://www.swaba-abana-chapter.org>

March 14 - 15

Blacksmithing Demo with Dorothy Stiegler and Jacob Hill. Demonstration will be on how to forge bronze. At Pieh Tool Co., Camp Verde, AZ. Call 888/743-4866.

April 23 - 26

California Blacksmith Association Spring Conference with demonstrators Claudio Bottero (Venice, Italy); Jadron & Martino Stenico (Rome, Italy); Tony Standteiner; Eric Clausen; Jill Turman and Andrew Kyte. Petaluma, CA. Contact Lowell Chaput 707/586-1324 or e-mail: lowell@sonic.net. Go to www.calsmith.org for more information.

April 25

Simple Living Festival. Dan Nicholas Park, Salisbury, NC. Blacksmiths: come and work at this year's event, which will be expanded, to feature blacksmithing. Contact Bob Pendergrass, Supervisor 704/216-7819. See web site: www.dannicholas.net.

May 1 - 3

Northwest Ohio Blacksmiths 23rd annual Hammer-In with demonstrator Clay Spencer. There will be a banquet and a forging contest. Auglaize Village near Defiance, OH. Call Bob Willman 419/353-6221. See web site: www.nob-blacksmiths.org.

May 1 - 3

Art of the Blacksmith (A blacksmiths' conference & juried art show only for blacksmiths, judged by blacksmiths. Lincoln County Fairgrounds, Capitan, NM. Sponsored by Southwest Artist Blacksmiths Association (SWABA). For more information on attending or entering the art show, e-mail T. Perkins at Terrell_Perkins@yahoo.com or swabawebmaster@comcast.net.

May 8 - 10

7th International Artist Blacksmith Festival, "Ornamental Forging," and exhibition in Ivano-Frankivsk, Ukraine. Contact Sergiy and Olga Polubotko, e-mail: opolubotko1@yahoo.com. Go to www.kf-arma.com.ua/ua/news/ to read articles/see photos re: the 2008 festival and prior festivals.

May 16 - 17

The Blacksmith Guild of Central Maryland, Inc. 21st Annual Blacksmith Days. Carroll County Farm Museum, Westminster, MD. Three forging contests, live auction. For more information, visit www.bgcmonline.org.

July 5 - 11

Women's Welding Workshop with Christina Sporrang. Taos, NM. See web site: www.spitfireforge.com.

