

Experiences through the Eye of the Camera



Shabbat Dancing at Gordon Beach, Tel Aviv

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We are currently celebrating two years of the Harkada (dance session) at Gordon Beach, Tel Aviv that I have been leading together with **André Schor**. I remember fondly! The wonderful harkadot of dance leader, **Sara Aviv**, who every Saturday led hundreds of participants with incredible energy at the same Gordon Beach venue as ours where more than once I was hosted as a guest choreographer and from time to time, when, under my direction, the Tel Aviv University Student Troupe (Lehakat HaStudentim Shel Universitat Tel Aviv) also performed there during the harkadot. When I was approached to replace her, I called her daughter and told her that I would substitute for her mother and hold the Harkada as "a deposit" only until she recovered and came back to lead the dancing; to lead and make people happy as they had been previously. Unfortunately, her condition has not allowed for this.

Our vision, as leaders of the Harkada, together with the Performance Department of the Tel Aviv-Yafo municipality, was to make this Harkada unique and make it a leading harkada, out of all the free of charge harkadot that exist in several other cities.

Together with a dedicated team, the area was fenced off for the convenience of the dancers as well as the spectators, so that the surrounding crowd would not interfere with the Harkada. All this has been with the help of **Ronen Tin** in the production and Yehuda in the safekeeping of belongings.

Every Saturday, André Schor and I host a dance leader or choreographer who brings a different style and color to the Harkada. The atmosphere and proximity to the sea do their job, and the dancers enjoy the Harkada and all that the beach can offer.

The Harkada takes place every Saturday – six months during the winter months, from November to the end of April, from 11:00 am – 3:00 pm, and six months during the summer months, from May to the end of October, from 7:00 – 11:00 pm.

The Harkada is sponsored and produced by the Performance Department of the Tel Aviv-Yafo municipality.



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