

## **DVD REVIEW:**

**2015 Lyrids Folk Dance Festival** (2015, Burnaby BC), 3-DVD set & e-book, produced by **Dale Adamson** (Surrey BC), [www.singularproductions.com](http://www.singularproductions.com)

Again, **Lyrids** has continued the **Salt Spring Island Folk Dance Festival** tradition with lively dances, lively dancers, lively music, and the beauty of British Columbia. For 2015, **Alexandru David** stepped in at the last minute for his ailing brother, teaching 14 or so of the Russian and Romanian dances for which he is so well known.

**Stephen Kotansky** filled out the bill with some 16 or 17 Balkan dances from Albania to Turkey; from majority to minority peoples. Performers videoed at the 2015 Festival included the Macedonian group **Gradina**, the IFD group **Kariatis** from Victoria BC performing Romanian dances, Alexandru performing *Lebedushka*, and Valerie Fodor performing *Mezőség* with Steve.

Obviously, a lot of work went into the planning of this festival, and a lot of care went into the production of the three DVDs. You really should attend the festival, or at least acquire the DVDs.

