

## GUALALA ARTS GLOBAL HARMONY SERIES PRESENTS

ENCOURAGING GLOBAL HARMONY BY SHARING CULTURES THROUGH THE ARTS



# Kitka

Women's Vocal Ensemble  
Friday, December 14 at 7:00 p.m.

**"Exquisite  
Harmonies  
from  
Eastern Europe  
and Beyond"**

The final Gualala Arts Global Harmony series concert of 2012 features Kitka Women's Vocal Ensemble on Friday, December 14 at 7:00 p.m. in the Coleman Auditorium.

Founded in 1979, the group strives to expose the listener to the traditional songs and vocal techniques of Eastern Europe, where a distinctive folk tradition has existed for thousands of years.

Kitka began as an Oakland based group of amateur singers with a passion for the dissonances, asymmetrical rhythms, intricate ornamentation and lush harmonies rooted in rural Balkan, Slavic and Caucasian women's vocal traditions. Today it is an internationally recognized professional ensemble with eleven critically acclaimed recordings. Cradle Songs, a 2009 release, was named "One of the Top Ten CDs of 2009" by National Public Radio.

Their repertoire includes not only traditional and contemporary music researched during tours in the Ukraine, Hungary, Georgia, Macedonia, Russia, Turkey, Bulgaria and other locations, but also contains original arrangements based on material collected

in the field. Kitka has collaborated with Hollywood composers and independent film makers on movie soundtracks including Braveheart, Jacob's Ladder and Queen of the Damned.

Public Radio's "The World" and "Prairie Home Companion" have featured Kitka. In recent years their live concerts have been broadcast on 80 public television stations in the United States, on CBC / Radio-Canada, and on Ukrainian and German radio and television. A complete listing of their projects can be found at [Kitka.org](http://Kitka.org).

One member of the group, Kelly Atkins, is the daughter of Phil and Lynne Atkins, Gualala residents and active members of Gualala Arts.

**\$22 advance, \$5 more day of concert  
Youth ages 7 through 17 admitted free.**

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