



SEATTLE 17TH OF MAY

CELEBRATING NORWEGIAN CONSTITUTION DAY IN BALLARD

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LUNCHEON

Monday, May 17th, 12:00 Noon @ Leif Erikson Hall

RESERVATIONS REQUIRED: TICKETS \$25

(Payable to 17th of May Committee)

SPEAKER and GRAND MARSHAL

DAGFINN HØYBRÅTEN

Høybråten became active in politics at an early age and became chairman of the Youth of the Christian People's Party in 1979. He led the Ministry of Health and Care Services from 1997 to 2000 and again from 2001 to 2004. Høybråten became leader for the Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs and in 2004 he also assumed leadership of the Christian Democratic Party.



Grand Marshal Dagfinn Høybråten

HONORARY MARSHALS:

ASTRID KARLSEN SCOTT Astrid is a native of Norway and is internationally known for her books on Norwegian culture and award winning videos.

WALDO J BUEING Waldo is President of the Sons of Norway District 2, celebrating their 100th Anniversary.

ENTERTAINMENT



ERLEND HETTERUD - PIANIST

Erlend Hetterud is from Bergen, Norway. He has a bachelor degree from the Grieg Academy, where he specialized in accompaniment and historic performance practice. He has played at all the major venues of Bergen, and has also appeared at a chamber music festival in Provence, France, as both a soloist and an accompanist.



OLE MORTEN VELDE - VOCALIST

Ole Morten Velde is born in Haugesund, Norway. His education in music started at the Grieg Academy in Bergen where he completed his Bachelor in the summer of 2008 with the highest grade on his bachelor exam concert. He is now studying for his masters at the Royal Danish Academy of Music in Copenhagen, with Margrete Enevold as main voice teacher. He has recently been accepted into the Opera Academy in Copenhagen and will start his studies there the fall of 2010.

RACHEL NESVIG – HARDANGER FIDDLE

Rachel graduated from St. Olaf College in 2007 with Honors in Music, the first St. Olaf student to give a Distinction Recital in Hardanger fiddle. Before college she played violin with the Gig Harbor (WA) Spelemannslag and discovered Hardanger fiddle at a master class given by Karen Code. At St Olaf she studied with Andrea Een and Karen Solgård, attending master classes given by Annbjørg Lien and Arne Anderdal. She spent half her junior year in Norway, studying classical and jazz violin at the Music Conservatory of the University of Stavanger, playing Hardanger fiddle with the Vibå Spelemannslag and taking private lessons from Dag Hovde. Rachel is currently working for her master's in Violin Performance and her K-12 teaching certificate at Central WA University.

