

Enjoy Exciting Folk Dances at Thai Pavilion

Visitors are invited to enjoy a variety of exciting folk dances currently presenting at Thai Pavilion which are ones of those interesting performances.

Long Drum Dance is the dance from Central Thailand and sometimes called the *THOED TEUNG*. The sound of this name is supposed to imitate the sound of a drum. The



rhythm of the dance follows the drum. Performers dance the fast exciting rhythm. The long drum dance features dancers in pairs,



showing their skills and styles one pair after another. As they perform, both the male and female dancer pound on the drums with their palms, elbows, shoulders, or heads.

The dance was originally not for performance but for

processions associated with Thai New Year festivities and the ordinations of young monks into the Buddhist monastery. The costumes are Central Thai and reflect the everyday dress of village people.

Picking Tea-Leave Dance is the dance originated from *LAHU* hill tribe living in the mountainous areas in Northern Thailand. They earn a living by picking tea-



leave. This dance reflects their routine life from the morning when they go out to pick the tea-leave and



dry them. While they are waiting for the leave to dry, they enjoy themselves until dark. Then they put the tea-leaves in their bags and back home.

Let enjoy exciting folk dances and many other traditional Thai Dances 4 shows every day except Tuesday at Thai Pavilion and Global Common 6 Event Space.



Come to celebrate Thailand Day on August 12, 2005 at Thai Pavilion, Global Common 6 Event Space and Expo Hall. Please visit <u>www.expo2005thailand.com</u> for more details.