

# Ring of Cold Steel Longsword Team

*In the winter chill, the fife and the fiddle begin to play. Dancers appear. First circling, then linking swords to form a chain, they begin to weave the intricate symmetries of the dance.*

Ring of Cold Steel dances an age-old folk tradition from the north of England. In mid-winter, sword dancers and mummers went from house to house, performing for food and drink.

Ring of Cold Steel performs in December and January, and is available for hire; please contact Michael Siemon (510) 654-7974, [mlsiemon@sonic.net](mailto:mlsiemon@sonic.net) for further information.



*Bampton Weavers' Dance at the Cannery, San Francisco*

Would you like to dance with us? We practice from September to January, dancing out in December and January – at the Winter Solstice and at Plough Monday (the first Monday after 12th Night), plus other occasions as they present themselves. We dance traditional English longsword dances and modern works based on these. Give it a try, without commitment, for the first six weeks of the season. Contact Michael at the phone number or email address above for more information.



*Practices are on Thursday nights, 7:30 – 9:30 in San Francisco, at St. Teresa's hall, 19th St. & Connecticut.*

