

## **Lynn McConnell** **Beginning/Intermediate Balalaika**



**Lynn McConnell** received her Master of Arts degree in music from the University of California at Los Angeles in 1974. Since then she has performed professionally on alto and prima balalaikas and piano with various Russian groups, such as Tziganka, the Great American Gypsy Band, the Massenkoff Russian Folk Festival, and the Neva Russian Dance Ensemble. She has recorded three albums, has toured extensively throughout the United States, Canada, and the Far East, and is one of the founding members of the Balalaika and Domra Association of America. Currently, Ms. McConnell is the founder and director of **Troika Balalaikas**. In addition to performing, she is the director of World Artists, a music management agency, and she is a member of the Association for Performing Arts Presenters, Western Arts Alliance, Southern Arts Federation, Arts Midwest, Ohio Arts Presenters, the Folk Alliance, South Carolina Arts Commission, and Georgia Council for the Arts.