EVANGELINA Polka from Northern Mexico

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Formation: Couples facing LOD. inside hands joined. Man's free hand at waist (thumb in belt). Lady holds skirt with right hand.

Basic step: The zapateado from Northern Mexico: It is a polka step Thus: leap onto right foot in place raising left foot out to side (ct. 1) scuff left heel out to side, rise slightly on right toe (ct &); come down on right heel (ct 2); scuff left heel out at side (ct &)

Repeat with opposite footwork.

With basic polka step, do 14 face-to-face and back-to-back Part I: polkas.

Face center of circel, brush outside foot backwards between Part II: inside feet; brush same foot forward, brush it backwards and tap toe behind. Slide 4 slides towards center of circle. Face outside, and rep eat step using opposite footwork. Repeat all.

In closed ballroom position: do 2 polka steps, then turn Part III: girl under man's left arm (woman uses 2 polka steps to turn once around). Repeat three more times.

In closed hallroom position: Man steps forward left, step Part IV: right foot in place, step back with left foot, step right foot in place, turn to right (clockwise) with four walking steps (LRLR). This is similar to a pivot, but don't turn as much.

Face partner, man facing out; hold hands arms extended Part V: shoulder high. Do 4 basic steps out away from center (man forward, lady back) Do 4 "basic steps" in (man back, lady forward) Repeat, 4 out, 4 in

Repeat dance, but omit step 1 -- end with step 1

Sequence of steps: 1,2,3,4,5, 2, 3, 4, 5, 1

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