



Promoting the understanding, preservation, and development of tap dance as an art form.

What Is The International Tap Association?

Founded in 1987 at the Colorado Dance Festival to serve the needs of tap's art and artists, the International Tap Association (ITA) has established advocacy programs and special projects to educate dance professionals and the public about tap, helping it to take its respected place in the larger world of dance. By providing information to producers, the ITA has encouraged the creation of new venues and touring circuits - increasing performance opportunities that benefit both audiences and artists. The ITA assists in preserving this American art, once in danger of being lost, by encouraging archival documentation and research as well as by serving as a clearing house for the media, producers, scholars, educators, and artists.

As an organization, the ITA encourages tap dancers and devotees to unite and collectively work for positive solutions. We invite you to join us in this quest and to enjoy the many personal benefits of ITA membership.

Who Belongs To The ITA?

The ITA is open for membership to tap dancers, choreographers, teachers, students, critics, historians, fans, friends, and anyone interested in tap dance. ITA's 900 members in 27 countries and 47 states plus the District of Columbia currently span this entire spectrum. Members range from tap's legendary artists to new tap students to long time fans to those across the globe introducing this art form to new audiences.

Why Join The ITA?

By joining the International Tap Association, you help to preserve an important part of the cultural heritage of tap dance. Your annual dues provide you with a wide range of membership benefits.

- You receive the ITA journal *On Tap*, the first and only internationally scoped publication in the world dedicated exclusively to tap dance. Published six times each year, *On Tap* provides you with timely calendar information, details on special events taking place in your region and around the world, reports on current events in the tap community, a forum to voice opinions, and articles by and about leading tap artists.
- You become a part of a local community network, headed by a regional representative in your area. Although regional groups vary from area to area, your local benefits can include receiving advance word about upcoming concerts and master classes, discounts to certain events, field trip opportunities, jam sessions, and other activities.
- You become a part of the international tap community and have the chance to communicate with members worldwide through *On Tap*.
- You have opportunity to meet others who share your passion for tap and to participate in special projects and events including National Tap Dance Day celebrations.

National Tap Dance Day

International Tap Association members played a pivotal role in the establishment of National Tap Dance Day, as proclaimed by the Congress of the United States. Now celebrated annually on May 25, ITA members and regional groups sponsor many of the celebrations that take place around the world.

Who Supports The ITA?

The ITA is made possible in part by a grant from the National Endowment for the Arts, Capezio/Ballet Makers Dance Foundation, and through memberships and contributions from people like you.

Join the International Tap Association

U.S. Members - \$35 per year / Canada & Mexico Members - \$45 / International Members - \$50 per year

Make all U.S. checks and international money orders (in U.S. dollars - no Eurochecks please) payable to the International Tap Association, and send to ITA, P.O. Box 356, Boulder, CO 80306. Visa and Mastercard accepted. (Include an additional \$2.50 service charge). Phone: 303-443-7989; Fax: 303-443-7992; E-mail: ita@tapdance.org.

MEMBER INFORMATION

Name: _____

Company: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Country: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

How did you hear about the ITA? _____

Dance Affiliation (Check and Fill Out)

- Teacher (School) _____
- Student (School) _____
- Choreographer (Company) _____
- Performer (Soloist/Company) _____
- Critic (Publication) _____
- Tap Fan/Other (Describe) _____

Payment Information

- One Year: \$35 (US); \$45 (Canada/Mexico); (\$50 International)
- The ITA cannot survive on membership dues alone. Please accept my tax-deductible donation of \$_____.
- Check Enclosed
- Mastercard or Visa (Include a \$2.50 service charge.)
Credit Card Number: _____
Expiration Date: _____