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North American Same-Sex Partner Dance Association
Embracing and Welcoming All Dance Couples and Dancers

Breaking news

Dancing is back on!

Two events in North America lined up in the new 2023:

- Boston Open DanceSport Competition will be held in the spring, proudly hosting New England Same-Sex Dance Championship!
- April Follies are planning on a Grand Event with lessons, social dancing, show and Luck of the Draw contests. Save the date: April 29, 2023



Ambassador Program

In need of broader visibility, better promotion in the DanceSport world and advocating for same-sex competitive dancing, NASSPDA is looking to engage Ambassadors.

As many North American DanceSport organizations have changed their definition of a dance couple, we are witnessing interest and participation of newly formed same-sex, reverse role, and gender-neutral couples at their events. Many of those couples haven't been introduced or exposed to NASSPDA as an organization; hence, they also do not know the benefits of being a member of NASSPDA.

Please use this link to access description and details as well as the application form

(* please contact us if you encounter problems with accessing this form. A Gmail account login is required)

Online Donations?

Recently, NASSPDA's membership and payment platforms have been under malware attack and as a preventive measure we have taken down the feature from the website temporarily, while we are working on it, that allows to donate, join or renew membership. Any help from our community with advise and knowledge how to permanently resolve this issue would be greatly appreciated.

Thank YOU!



Competition Calendar

• NASSPDA Sanctioned competitions in 2022

April Follies, Floorplay LA, and New England Open have been cancelled again due to the ongoing effects of the pandemic.

NASSPDA Sanctioned competitions in 2023

Boston Open Dancesport - April 1st, Boston MA

IFSSDA sanctioned competitions in 2023 and beyond

The XI Gay Games

DanceSport events are November 5 - 8, 2023 Guadalajara, Mexico

Membership Information

Membership Directory

Have you checked out the NASSPDA Members to connect with others in the community. Please contact Webmaster and their email webmaster@nasspda.org if you'd like to be added to the directory (being added is a privilege available to NASSPDA members only).

Dance Partner Connections

We understand how hard it can be to find a dance partner. Therefore we'd like to help by offering this connection service where individuals in our community interested in searching for a partner can proactively post an ad and/or passively review ads. If you'd like to post an ad, <u>please complete this form</u>. It does not cost anything and you can share as much or little information as you want.

Here is the Dance Partner Connections webpage: <u>nasspda.org/dance-partner-connections</u>

Outreach and Media



New partnership with The National Academy of Health and Physical Literacy (NAHPL)

NAHPL is a diverse organization that seeks to advance health and physical literacy in our society, especially in K-12 schools, higher education, and in dance and sport venues. NAHPL seeks to grow and advance professional leaders who will interact and network on regional, national and global levels to expand health and physical literacy opportunities for all children and adults.

As a member and mission centered organization, NAHPL encourages and facilitates active participation by all members, advocating for health and physical literacy. NAHPL leadership and members plan and implement professional learning opportunities and events at the regional and national levels, and advocate for health and physical literacy in Pre-K-higher education and across society.

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