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Kentuckiana Dance Alliance

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Welcome to the first KDA Newsletter!

President's Notes

Hello and Welcome to the new Kentuckiana Dance Alliance!

On Jan. 19, 2025 the club representatives of 14 clubs met on Zoom to complete the merger of the Kentucky Federation of Square Dancers and the Kentuckiana Square Dance Association, and start the new Kentuckiana Dance Alliance. After ratifying the bylaws and standing rules written by the merger committee, the board voted to install the officers and begin the work of the KDA. Your board officers are myself, Gloria Singleton as president, Don Colson as vice-president, Kristy Woods as secretary, Chuck Woods as treasurer, and Phyllis Tomes as Conference Committee Chair. These officers, along with the board, will now take on the responsibility of the work of KDA, mainly the promoting of Square, Round and Line Dancing in all of Kentucky and southern Indiana.

As we are getting organized, we need to ask for your patience and also your help. Each club has designated a representative to serve on the board and they are your connection to KDA but they can't do it alone. To promote and grow this activity that we all love, we need dancers to come to dances, help in their clubs, and serve on committees of KDA. You don't have to do it all, just provide assistance to those who have stepped up to lead. The standing committees are State Convention, Communications and Media, Sunshine, Recruitment, Lessons & Demos, Fundraising, and Historian. Please consider which of these you might be interested in and let your club KDA rep know that you're willing to help. Join with us to keep dancing growing in Kentuckiana.

We look forward to seeing all of you at dances across the region.

Gloria Singleton, KDA President

Who's Dancing When?

The schedule of dances for our many clubs is on the KDA website. It is a dynamic and constantly updated calendar which can help you get to a dance that interests you. The button below will take you straight to the calendar. The calendar can be viewed as a list or a standard monthly layout. Just click on the dance you're interested in and more information will pop up with all the details to help you get there.

Click Here to View the Dance Calendar

Special Dance or Event Coming Up?

Be sure to send in your special dance flyers so we can get them on the website and the calendar. Click the button below to check out the Flyers Table on the KDA website.

Want to submit a flyer? Email your flyer in PDF format to flyers@squaredanceky.com

Click Here to View Regional Flyers

KY State Convention

Get information and Register for the Kentucky State Convention Click Here!

SEPTEMBER 4, 5, & 6, 2025

Save the Date and Get Registered for the Kentucky State Convention coming in September. It's not too early. You'll be glad you did.

Got some ideas on how to make it great? Let us know!

Help is also needed in all sections of the convention preparation. Many hands make light work and we want visitors to our state to see all the great dancing Kentucky has to offer. Please let your club's KDA Rep know that you are able to help now!

Lessons are where it's happening…

Did you know that lessons are happening all over the region? Some are still open and accepting new students. As usual, angels are always needed to help so come on out to support new dancers. Need a refresh? Angeling is a great way to brush up on your memory and improve your reaction time.

Square Dance Open classes:

Double H, 222 Walnut Street, Jeffersonville, IN
New Beginners Mainstream Lessons taught by Chuck & Kristy Woods
Tuesdays from 7-9PM
Started1/14/25 (Last week to accept new students 2/4/25)
Finishing mid-May
Those refreshing always welcome
Contact Paul Book nibook@twc.com (740) 441-5050
*We have a large class of very young (Dis & 30s) new dancers. If you have youthful children, grandchildren, friends, neighbors interested in joining up with a very youthful group, here is your chance! Final night to accept new students is 2/4/25!

PLUS Workshop, 9105 Galene Drive, Louisville, KY
Ongoing with Charlie Wheatley
Mondays 7-9pm
Refresher and new plus dancers welcome
Contact: Charlie Wheatley cwheatley6402@twc.com

In Progress Lessons:

Shelby Scrambled Legs, 2375 Frankfort Rd, Shelbyville, KY
Mainstream Lessons taught by Chuck & Kristy Woods
Mondays from 6:30-8:30PM
11/4/2024 to late March 2025
Those refreshing always welcome
Contact Chuck Woods lil'woodsc@gmail.com (502) 299-4030

DoSiDos, 1070 Lane Allen Road, Lexington, KY
Mainstream Lessons taught by Rien Nabar and Kevin Robinson
Tuesdays 7-9pm and Saturdays 10-noon (students attend both classes)
1/4/25-3/28/25 class closed but angels are welcome
Contact: Martha Coughenour 443-745-3261 www.squaredancelex.com
Square Dance Future Lessons:

Wheeler Dealers, Lexington, KY
Mainstream Lessons
Tuesdays and Saturdays
Starting September 9, 2025 through 24 lessons
Contact: Kim Shea kshea0210@gmail.com +1 (859)421-7390

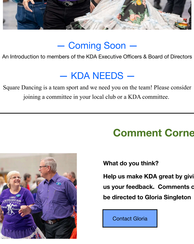
KaleidoSquares, 111 N. 5th St, Murray, KY
Mainstream Lessons
Tuesdays 6:30-7:30
Starts first Tuesday after Labor Day for 15-16 weeks (Feb.)
Contact: Don Colson doncolsonlaw@gmail.com

Round Dance (Cued Choreographed Ballroom) Classes:

RhythmRounds, 1882 Bellefonte Dr., Lexington, KY
WestCoast Swing basics, no experience necessary
Wednesdays 7-8pm
Starting Jan. 29, 2025 for 4 weeks, ending Feb. 19, 2025
Contact: James or Charlene Mann mann1@roadrunner.com 859-771-4194

Cha Cha & Rumba Class, 1882 Bellefonte Dr., Lexington, KY
Beginning February 26 through May14, 2025.
James or Charlene Mann 859-771-4194 mann1@roadrunner.com

River City Rounds, Louisville, KY
Beginning Waltz, no experience necessary
Classes forming soon.
Contact: Gloria Singleton gloria@singletonstudio.net 520-404-4459



— Coming Soon —

An Introduction to members of the KDA Executive Officers & Board of Directors

— KDA NEEDS —

Square Dancing is a team sport and we need you on the team! Please consider joining a committee in your local club or a KDA committee.

Comment Corner

What do you think?

Help us make KDA great by giving us your feedback. Comments can be directed to Gloria Singleton

Contact Gloria

Mission of KDA:

The Kentuckiana Dance Alliance is formed for charitable and educational purposes, where individuals can enjoy dancing together in a spirit of friendliness and cooperation.

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