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# 2025 Team Canada TAP PACKAGE

# IDO World TAP Championship OCT. 22 - 26, 2025, Prague, Czechia

MANDATORY ARRIVAL DATE: You must arrive in Prague @ the hotel on OCT 20, meaning you must depart Canada on OCT 19. We have a team Showcase planned for OCT 13 in Mississauga. There will be scheduled shuttles at the Prague airport to bring you to the hotel on Oct. 20.

**OPTIONAL RETURN DATE:** You will check out of the hotel on the morning after the entire event is completed **- OCT 27**. **Your return date is optional**; however, this is the *only* checkout date. There will be a shuttle to the Prague airport scheduled Oct. 27.

# **INTERNATIONAL DANCE ORGANIZATION (IDO):**

IDO is a nonprofit World Dance and Dancesport Federation with over 90 members and contact nations, representing more than 500,000 dancers from all 6 continents! Team Canada Dance / IDO Canada is Canada's National Member Organization

# TEAM CANADA DANCE /IDO CANADA

Team Canada Dance is a nonprofit organization that brings together Canada's most elite dancers and choreographers to compete on the world stage, proudly representing Canada. Our organization allows dancers to travel, meet other dancers worldwide, and compete as a unified team with dancers across Canada. Team Canada Dance also allows Canadian dancers to learn from master teachers and choreographers both within Canada and abroad. We encourage our dancers and their supporters to foster good sportsmanship and to promote Canadian values while exhibiting our remarkable dance training. We only work with the 'best of the best' choreographers who choose the best dancers to represent Canada.

# THE ORGANIZER

This is only the second time in IDO history that the Tap Championship will be held in a city other than Riesa! The first time was in 2022, when the energy crisis caused Riesa to cancel the event, and Croatia became the last-minute host. As the original organizer and former IDO President reluctantly retired, tap in Riesa also ended. Our 2025 Czech Republic organizers hosted the 2024 IDO Tap Championships for the first time; they value the Riesa legacy and will do everything they can to give our dancers a comparable event once again.

# **TEAM CANADA DANCE RECORD**

Team Canada Dance/IDO Canada has proven itself a worthy competitor at these events as an influencer and role model in the international Tap community. Reaching the podium is an amazing way to celebrate all the hard work that everyone has put into the team, but dancers have also made great connections with each other and in the international Tap community. Past dancers have taught at international workshops and become adjudicators and choreographers themselves. Tap was our foundational Team Canada Dance team, and we went to Riesa for Tap in 1995 under the direction of Matthew Clark. With only 18 dancers from across Canada, we quickly made our mark at that first competition as a 'team to beat' - our choreography is considered original, and our dancers talented! Christie McKay, a former student of Matthew, competed for Canada in both Tap and Jazz and became an award-winning choreographer with multiple gold medals throughout the years. Michael Glenney, a former student of Christie and award-winning Team Canada dancer and choreographer, has become a rising star in the tap community known for his intricate footwork. Theresa Domingues has been a Team Canada choreographer for several years, earning our dancers several medals as well! Kim Barker has been with Team Canada for years in a variety of genres. Our 2025 choreographers were present for the final chapter of tap in Riesa. This year, we are invited a west team to join the east once again, making 2025 unstoppable for Canada!

# **TEAM CANADA TAP PACKAGES:**

Packages are based on team/hotel stay as follows: 7 nights October 20-27/2025

#### PACKAGE #1 - ONE DANCER ONLY shared with another dancer

\$3,850 \$4,250

\*This option for 2 dancers/room includes two twin beds. Price includes hotel, shuttle, entry, IDO fees, admin fees, choreography fees, rehearsal coach fees, rehearsal studio fees, costume, team video, and more. \$250 in cash (off total) due at first rehearsal. This is all inclusive and no other fees will be asked unless you are asked for small group, trio, duo, and/or solo. Add \$400 for production fee which includes choreo/rehearsal and \$150 costume deposit. Only remaining costume/set fee will be ask once costume has been ordered.

#### PACKAGE #2 - ONE DANCER + ONE PARENT/SUPPORTER

\$6,050 \$6,450

\*This option for 2/room includes two twin beds or one French/double. Price includes hotel, shuttle, entry, IDO fees, admin fees, choreography fees, rehearsal coach fees, rehearsal studio fees, costume, team video, and more. \$250 (off total) in cash due at first rehearsal. This is all inclusive and no other fees will be asked unless you are asked for small group, trio, duo, and/or solo. Add \$400 for production fee which includes choreo/rehearsal and \$150 costume deposit. Only remaining costume/set fee will be ask once costume has been ordered by Team Canada.

\$4,800 2non-dancers

#### PACKAGE #3 - THREE OF SAME FAMILY

\*This option for 3/room possibly includes either 2 twin (or one king) & one pull-out couch (French/double). Price includes hotel, shuttle, entry, IDO fees, admin fees, choreography fees, rehearsal coach fees, rehearsal studio fees, costume, team video, and more. \$250 (off total) in cash due at first rehearsal. This is all inclusive and no other fees will be asked unless you are asked for small group, trio, duo, and/or solo. Add \$400 for production fee which includes choreo/rehearsal and \$150 costume deposit. Only remaining costume/set fee will be ask once costume has been ordered by Team Canada. 1D=1 dancer and 2D=2 dancers in room.

\$7,550/1D \$7,950/1D

\$8,800/2D \$9,600/2D

> \$6,300 3non-dancers

#### PACKAGE #4 - FOUR OF SAME FAMILY

\*This option for 4 is 1 suite with sleeping arrangements for 4 — possibly 2 double beds or 1 king and 1 double pull-out. Price includes hotel, shuttle, entry, IDO fees, admin fees, choreography fees, rehearsal coach fees, rehearsal studio fees, costume, team video, and more. \$250 (off total) in cash due at first rehearsal. This is all inclusive and no other fees will be asked unless you are asked for small group, trio, duo, and/or solo. Add \$400 for production fee/dancer which includes choreo/rehearsal and \$150 costume deposit. Only remaining costume/set fee will be ask once costume has been ordered by Team Canada. 1D=1 dancer and 2D=2 dancers in room.

\$9,125/1D \$9,525/1D

\$10,375/2D \$11,175/2D

#### PACKAGE #5 - FIVE OF SAME FAMILY

\*This option for 5 is 2x rooms with 2/room-A & 3/room-B. Price includes hotel, shuttle, entry, IDO fees, admin fees, choreography fees, rehearsal coach fees, rehearsal studio fees, costume, team video, and more. \$250 (off total) in cash due at first rehearsal. This is all inclusive and no other fees will be asked unless you are asked for small group, trio, duo, and/or solo. Add \$400 for production fee per dancer which includes choreo/rehearsal and \$150 costume deposit. Only remaining costume/set fee will be ask once costume has been ordered by Team Canada.

\$11,125\* \$11,525\* \*one dancer cost will increase for every additional

dancer included

in this package

A \$500 deposit/raveler is required upon acceptance to secure your position with the team - by April 15 (adult) and May 15. (junior/children). The deposits are non-refundable and will be wired to the organizer to block space for our team. All dancers must travel with the team. Parents/supports with a package will stay with the dancer, use the shuttle, and other team-related activities. Parents/supporters traveling on their own must book their own hotel and transportation. We will not know our hotel until the fall once details are finalized with the organizer. PAYMENTS MUST BE PAID IN FULL BEFORE SEPTEMBER 1, 2025.



As with all organizations, the cost of the Tap Package includes the costs to operate the organization such as currency exchange rates, wire fees, phone, webpage, shipping, rental, registration, storage, IDO National fees, bank fees, Judges expenses, staff flight/hotel, service fees, carrying the cost of any loans to bridge the amount due to IDO on their due dates if not collected from everyone, etc. We want to represent you well but are finding the costs have dramatically increased lately making it extremely difficult to cover all payments on IDO due dates. We do not have grants or donations to assist the organization itself. But you as a dancer can get sponsorships!

All payment/fee information will be sent to you in more detail once accepted to the team. Here is a brief overview of fees...

#### CHOREOGRAPHY/REHEARSAL - \*Formation Included

This fee includes formation choreography, rehearsal coach, rehearsal studio rental, costume, competition video, etc. We have pre-booked all studio space for rehearsals and must include rental in fees this year. This fee is inclusive - you will not be asked for any further fees for formation, including costume, etc. The fee is all included in the package and we will pay the choreographers, rehearsal coaches, and rental space, and costume maker on your behalf before the first choreo session, as well as the rehearsal coach and studio rentals.

#### CHOREOGRAPHY/REHEARSAL- Small Group-Trio-Duo-Solo

If selected, you will be sent more information about the cost involved (choreo/rehearsal/costume/etc). Similar to last year prices. This will be due at first small group/trio/duo, or solo session.

#### **CHOREOGRAPHY- \$400/ person for PRODUCTION**

Includes choreography/rehearsal, and \$150 deposit for costume, additional minimal studio rental \*may apply if needed. Team Canada will provide assistance to procure costuming.

#### COSTUMES- to be determined

The choreographers will do their best to keep the costume fees down as much as possible for any small groups, trios, production, etc. Solo/duo costumes may be sourced individually, however, must be approved by Team Canada admin. Your formation costume is included in the upfront choreography fee this year.

# **WEBSITE/SOCIAL MEDIA:**

You can find more information on our website at **www.teamcanadadance.ca**. We will update it often when new information becomes available. Our Instagram account @teamcanadadanceofficial always provides the latest updates, as does our FaceBook account. Links are on our webpage. Sign up forms are available on our website, through our Linktree on IG, and on TeamSnap, once you are on the team.



Dancers/families may purchase their own airline tickets or book with our travel agent. If you book your own, dancers/families will be able to take advantage of seat sales, use their points, and use third-party sites like Expedia to get a better deal for their families. We feel that by purchasing your own, you will be able to get less expensive than group seats than what we can get for you as an entire group. We realize that not everyone enjoys making their own flights, which is why we are offering the services of our travel agent who has booked our flights for years and will offer additional assistance in making/changing any travel plans, and assist if your flights get cancelled/delayed.

#### **ADVANTAGES TO BOOKING YOUR OWN FLIGHT:**

- Tickets purchased online or through a travel agent are always less expensive than group tickets, as airlines are forced to hold over 100 seats for months for a team with a deposit. We cannot purchase seats without all the passport info which we usually need to wait for.
- Tickets booked online are the price that they are that day. With group tickets, we pay an average between the most expensive and least expensive tickets
- You are able to use your credit card for purchase and many credit cards include insurance.
   Please check what your credit card offers you for travel insurance and cancellation as well as points earned.
- You can decide the duration of your trip! If you wish to depart early or stay longer for a
  holiday, it's in your hands. You also don't have to get up early to depart the day after the
  competition to get back to the airport with the rest of the team if you don't want to.
- You may find that large companies and corporations will sponsor you by letting you use their points to book your flights. PLEASE look into this to help offset your costs!
- You can upgrade to whatever level of travel you wish when booking. You won't be limited as groups usually are.
- You can take advantage of seat sales or use third-party sites such as Expedia

### **DIS-ADVANTAGES TO BOOKING YOUR OWN FLIGHT:**

- If your flight is cancelled or delayed, any additional expenses to get yourself to the hotel/competition will be your responsibility
- If something happens with your travel and you don't make it in time to compete in the first round, IDO disqualifies you for all subsequent rounds. They will make an exception if an entire team is delayed (but won't for one or two dancers).
- It's always exciting to travel with a group, but that hasn't been a reality for the last few years. As we won't be traveling together this year, we will be arranging a Team Dinner with the hotel (more info to come)
- You may not be comfortable making your own way we can help! We have a team agent option
- If you decide to vacation after the competition in Czechia, it will be your responsibility to get back to the airport or whichever airport you are returning from.
- All holidays MUST BE AFTER the competition. We want you at your best to compete!

# **TENTATIVE REHEARSAL SCHEDULE:**

#### ADULT

APRIL 18-21 \*formation choreography with Juliana begins

MAY 17-19 \*formation choreography with Juliana continues

JULY 13 workshop class for teams (and non-team members for a fee)

JULY 13-19 \*everything else begins (including junior/children formation)

AUG 4-10 rehearsal

AUG 20-24 rehearsal

SEPT. 14, 21, 28 rehearsals

#### OCT. 13 - ONTARIO SHOWCASE @ Living Arts Centre (all genres)

OCT 19 dancers must depart no later than Oct. 19 (no rehearsals)

OCT 20 dancers all must arrive in Prague by Oct 20.

OCT 22-26 IDO World Tap Championships

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#### **CHILDREN & JUNIOR**

JULY 13 workshop class for teams (and non-team members for a fee)

JULY 13-19 \*formations & groups begin

AUG 4-10 rehearsal

AUG 20-24 rehearsal

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All groups, including production, will be scheduled into these dates. Times to be released after all auditions are complete.

Costumes will be measured by July

# CANADIAN NATIONAL TAP TEAM CHOREOGRAPHERS AND STAFF:

We will have a team of choreographers & rehearsal coaches to ensure that we put out the best possible product.

All 2025 Tap Staff includes: Christy McKay, Juliana Kelly, Mike Glenney, Matthew Clark, Theresa Domingues, Kim Barker, Kristina Linden, Kylan Wagner, Sheri Mackenzie, Bonnie Dyer, Melissa Dyer, and possibly more!

# WHAT IS THE ADULT 2 DIVISION?

IDO has offered the Adult 2 Division for years, however, Canada has never brought a group to participate since 2007 (where we won GOLD)!

Adult 2 is for dancers 32 yrs and over who may wish to compete in a formation and/or small group. Adult 2 does not include solo/duo/trio as dancers of any age over 17 yrs may compete in those regular adult divisions.

Do you know anyone who may be interested? Let us know!

# **PRODUCTION**

Production is open to everyone and you don't have to pay an extra entry fee to be a part of it, however, there will be an additional choreography fee and costume/prop fees. We brought an amazing production called "The SpeakEasy" and won SILVER against some pretty great numbers and we are hoping to do the same this year! Last year we planned on Production and will continue that theme this year. We will work rehearsals into the same day as formations.

# **SHOWCASE**

We have booked a Dress Rehearsal/Showcase for **SATURDAY OCTOBER 13** @ **the Living Arts Centre** in Mississauga. **EVERYONE MUST BE AVAILABLE**. All routines must be stage-ready by October 13th!

# **QUICK QUESTIONS:**

Please email to contact@teamcanadadance.ca or text Melissa at 519-277-5111 or call after 5pm

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