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2025 Team Canada TAP-W 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 location 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, bigger and better than in 2024!

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 PACKAGE

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

PACKAGE #1 - ONE DANCER ONLY shared with another dancer

\$2.900 | dancer

This option for 2 dancers/room includes two twin beds. Price includes hotel w/breakfast, shuttle, entry. Intl. Licensing fee, IDO fees, admin fees, team video, and more. This cost does not include choreography fees, rehearsal coach fees, rehearsal studio fees, & costume fees. You will make you own flights or use our travel agent. Deposit of \$500 taken off this price.

PACKAGE #2 - 1-DANCER + 1-PARENT/SUPPORTER

This option for 2 /room includes two twin beds or one french/double. bed. Price includes hotel w/breakfast x2. shuttle x2. entry and admission. Intl. Licensing fee. IDO fees. admin fees. team video. and more. This cost does not include choreography fees, rehearsal coach fees, rehearsal studio fees, & costume fees. You will make you own flights or use our travel agent. **Deposit of \$1,000 taken off this price.**

\$5.100 total \$2,900 /1 dancer \$2,200 / supporter

\$4,650 /2 non-dancers

PACKAGE #3 - THREE OF SAME FAMILY

This option for 3 /room includes two twin beds/one french/double bed and a pull-out. Price includes hotel w/breakfast x3, shuttle x3, entry x1or2 and admission x1or2, Intl. Licensing fee, IDO fees, admin fees, team video, and more. This cost does not include choreography fees, rehearsal coach fees, rehearsal studio fees, & costume fees. You will make you own flights or use our travel agent. Deposit of \$1,500 taken off this price.

\$6.600/1D

\$2,900 /1 dancer \$2,200 /supporter 1 \$1,500 / supporter 2

\$7.850/2D

\$2,900 | dancer 1 \$2,750 | dancer 2 \$2,200 / 1 supporter

\$6.300 /3 non-dancers

PACKAGE #4 - FOUR OF SAME FAMILY

This option for 4 /suite includes two twin beds/one french/double bed and a pull-out for 2. Price includes hotel w/breakfast x4, shuttle x4, entry x1or2 and admission x1or2, Intl. Licensing fee, IDO fees, admin fees, team video, and more. This cost does not include choreography fees, rehearsal coach fees, rehearsal studio fees, & costume fees. You will make you own flights or use our travel agent. Deposit of \$2,000 taken off this price.

\$8.175/1D

\$2.900 /1 dancer \$2,200 / supporter 1 \$3,075 / supporters 2/3

\$9.425/2D

\$2.900 /1 dancer 1 \$2,825 /1 dancer 2 \$3,700 /2 supporters

PACKAGE #5 - FIVE OF SAME FAMILY

This option for 5 is 2x rooms with 2/room-A & 3/room-B. Price includes hotel w/breakfast x5, shuttle x5, entry and admission, Intl. Licensing fee, IDO fees, admin fees, team video, and more. This cost does not include choreography fees, rehearsal coach fees, rehearsal studio fees, & costume fees. You will make you own flights or use our travel agent. Deposit of \$2,500 taken off this price.

\$11,125*/1-dancer \$11,525*/1-dancer/prod

*base price for one dancer cost will increase for every additional dancer included in this package

A \$500 deposit/traveler by E-transfer is required upon acceptance to secure your position with the team - by May 15. In addition, choreo/rehearsal fee in cash is required on the first day of choreo. Deposits taken off total of package price. All dancers must travel with the team. 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 AUGUST 30, 2025.



Previously, all packages excluded choreography, rehearsal coach, rehearsal studio, and costume fees. We are will be collecting on behalf of the choreographers/rehearsal coaches, and rehearsal studios this year and paying in advance to ensure studio availability. In addition, as with all organizations, the Team Canada Dance costs included in the Team Package include the costs to operate the organization such as currency exchange rates (from Canadian to Euro), wire fees, phone, webpage, shipping, registration, storage, IDO National fees, bank fees, National Judges expenses, staff flight/hotel, and the cost to carry any loans to bridge the amount due to IDO on their due dates if not collected from everyone, etc. It also covers hotel w/breakfast, airport shuttle, licensing, entry, and choreo/staff travel and more. We want to represent you well, but we must also cover all fees by the IDO due dates. We do not have grants or donations to assist the organization itself. All expenses must be covered by the packages.

TEAM DEPOSIT - due by May 15 **PAID IN FULL -** due by June 15 **INSTALMENTS -** June 15, July 15, August 15

CASH: Any cash payments should be in an envelope with dancer name and \$ amount. The choreo fee/dancer is due at the first day of choreo.

CHEQUE: Cheques must be mailed by June 15. Make cheques out to Team Canada Dance.

BANK TRANSFER: You can pay for travel package by depositing directly into our RBC acct.

E-TRANSFER: Please send e-transfer payments to **idocanadawest@gmail.com** OR **paymentfees@teamcanadadance.ca**

In the QUESTION, put the dancer **nameIteamIprovince** (ex. Jane Doeljunior tap west). In the ANSWER, please put **Dance2025**

EMAILS - idocanadawest@gmail.com

This is the 'team email' where you will send correspondence regarding choreography/rehearsal schedule, costuming, your e-transfers, etc. This email is accessed by the West Manager, Sheri Mackenzie, as well as the Team Canada office (Admin/Captain), Melissa Dyer, and (Director) Bonnie Dyer. You will not contact the choreographer directly - all inquiries are to go through the manager or Team Canada office.

If you need assistance regarding the competition/travel in addition to the team email, OR to use our travel agent, contact the office at contact@teamcanadadance.ca.

CHOREOGRAPHY/REHEARSAL - price sent with acceptance /Formation (large group)

This fee includes formation choreography, rehearsal coach, and rehearsal studio rental. We have pre-booked all studio space for rehearsals to ensure availability and must include rental in fees this year. This fee is inclusive - you will not be asked for any further fees for formation, except for costume.

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

If selected, you will be sent more information about the cost involved (choreo/rehearsal/costume/etc).

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**.



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:

TIMES TO BE ADDED - all ages

JULY 28 - AUG 2

AUG 4-9

SEPT. 6 - 7

SEPT. 13 - 14

SEPT. 27 - 28

OCT. 11 - 12

OCT. 17 - 18*

DATE TBA - SHOWCASE

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

OCT 27 check out of hotel

CANADIAN NATIONAL TAP TEAM 2025 CHOREOGRAPHERS AND STAFF

We will have a team of choreographers & rehearsal coaches to ensure that we put out the best possible product. West Tap Staff includes Kristina Linden, Kylan Wagner, Sheri Mackenzie, and more! East Staff includes Christy McKay, Juliana Kelly, Mike Glenney, Matthew Clark, Theresa Domingues, Kim Barker. Team Canada office includes Melissa Dyer and Bonnie Dyer.

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. The *entire group* must consist of dancers over 32 yrs, otherwise, dancers may compete in Adult formation as well.

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

QUICK QUESTIONS:

Please email to contact@teamcanadadance.ca or text/WhatsApp Melissa at 519-277-5111

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